

Improved Financial Management for FP/AYSRH Programs

Effective financial management involves routine financial operations and also requires providing members of the leadership team with information to make decisions and plan strategically for the future. A clear understanding of the linkages between resource allocation for family planning and adolescent and youth sexual and reproductive health (FP/AYSRH) programs, processes of funds mobilization, effective and efficient consumption mechanisms and proper documentation create an opportunity for smart advocacy for increased program resource allocation.



Key Outcomes

- Increased resource allocation and utilization at city level for FP/AYSRH program implementation
- Cost-effective management of local government budgets to establish strong FP/AYSRH programs
- Enhanced advocacy to unlock resources for impactful implementation of FP/AYSRH high-impact interventions (HIs)
- Institutionalization of the allocation and spending for FP/AYSRH HIs in city

Steps

1

Familiarize stakeholders with budget cycles

to ensure public expenditure is well planned, executed and accounted for. Kenya has a [budget calendar](#), for example.

2

Estimate the need for resources

at the beginning of the budgeting period. Calculate human resources, operating funds, and other associated costs.

3

Bring together FP/AYSRH implementers

to share upcoming activities and request additional budget. Review [resource mobilization strategies](#) and work with [FP/AYSRH Champions](#) on advocacy efforts.

4

Prepare the budget

for submission after stakeholder review.

5

Disseminate the budget

to the city-level budget holders once the funds are available. Share approved budget information with stakeholders.

6

Develop a plan for fund disbursements

to the [Program Implementation Team](#) on the scheduled monthly date.

7

Assess the progress

of program activities and the financial progress during monthly review meetings. Verify expenditures with the implementers during [RAISE assessment meetings](#).

8

Share review meeting findings

of impact from funds allocated with local governments' budget committees. Be transparent and allow verification of expenditure to encourage accountability.