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People in the Amazon are at high risk from natural hazards exacerbated by climate change. Adolescent girls and women are particularly vulnerable. This activity aims to strengthen women and girls' climate change adaptation skills, enabling them to meaningfully participate in equitable and inclusive local decision-making spaces.

Climate change intensifies gender inequalities and increases the vulnerability of women in indigenous, rural, and urban settings. This is due to deeply ingrained gender roles, high household workloads imposed by a patriarchal culture, the exclusion of women from decision-making, and their limited technical training. The activity seeks to ensure women and girls' meaningful participation in climate change decision-making spaces at the local and regional levels. This will be achieved through institutionally recognized mechanisms that guarantee the sustainability of their participation and that require stakeholders to recognize and commit to gender equity, including those in the private sector.

HOW DOES THE ACTIVITY WORK?

A **training program** on climate change adaptation will be developed. Local government officials will be trained to create **inclusive conditions** that recognize and welcome the active participation of

adolescent girls and women in decision-making spaces. The activity will also aim for the adolescent girls and women who completed the training program to lead municipal-level **nature-based solutions** for climate change adaptation with an intersectional approach.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Adolescents, women, and local government officials will satisfactorily complete the training program in climate change adaptation.
- Adolescent girls and women who complete the training program will lead nature-based solutions initiatives for adaptation to climate change at a local level with an intersectional approach.
- Local government management tools and mechanisms that incorporate adaptation measures to climate change with an intersectional approach will be updated or developed.

PROJECT INFORMATION

IMPLEMENTER: CARE Perú

DURATION: 05/23/2024 to 01/23/2026

USAID FUNDING: \$1,500,000

LOCATION: Amazonas Region: districts of Chachapoyas, Cajuro and Nieva. Loreto Region: district of San Juan Bautista.

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