

# Sierra Leone



Joined Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement: January 2012

National Multi-Stakeholder Platform for Nutrition: SUN Multi-Sector Coordination Networks

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## COUNTRY NUTRITION STATUS

→ Annual country nutrition indicators from the Global Nutrition Report:

<https://globalnutritionreport.org/resources/nutrition-profiles/africa/western-africa/sierra-leone/>

### ● National multi-stakeholder platform (MSP)

Date established: 2012

● MSP annual action plan exists

### ● Subnational nutrition coordination mechanism

● Subnational MSPs exist

● Subnational MSPs have annual action plans

### ● ● National nutrition plan

<https://scalingupnutrition.org/resource-library/national-plans/national-nutrition-plan-sierra-leone-2022>

### ● Advocacy and communications framework/plan

### SUN networks in-country presence

● SUN Civil Society Network

● SUN Business Network

● UN-Nutrition

● SUN Academia Network

● SUN Donor Network

● Others: e.g. youth, parliamentarian, media

### Finance for nutrition

● Resource mobilization strategy exists

● Budget tracking exercise done this year

● Funding gaps identified this year

● Domestic expenditures on nutrition tracked

● Yes ● In process ● No ● Costed ● M&E framework

## COUNTRY PRIORITIES 2023

Review the multisectoral plan to improve nutrition; Develop national nutrition school clubs; Develop a resource mobilization strategy; Strengthen the functionality of subnational coordination structures and SUN Networks

## 2022 SHARED COUNTRY GOOD PRACTICE

**Topic:** Policy Advocacy

**Title:** The Policy Advocacy and Communication Network

**About:** According to data from the Ministry of Health, huge improvement has been made by the Government in the vaccination of children, drastically reducing the infant mortality rate.

## PROGRESS TOWARDS SUN 3.0 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (SO)

→ **SO.1 Strengthen and sustain strong policy and advocacy environments**

Sierra Leone has reduced stunting beyond what would be expected based on its gross domestic product, according to research to be published in late 2023.

→ **SO.2 Develop and align shared country priorities for action**

The SUN Business Network has prepared a proposal to improve the processing and packaging of locally produced foods in the country in order to meet global standards. The proposal has already been approved.

→ **SO.3 Build and strengthen country capacity**

According to UNICEF, funds already have been budgeted for the procurement of therapeutic food.

→ **SO.4 Ensure governance of SUN that promotes country leadership and responsibilities of government, aligns the resources of all SUN Movement stakeholders behind country priorities and strengthens 360 mutual accountability**