

Costed evaluation plan – Botswana – UNICEF country programme of cooperation, 2027–2031

The table presents evaluations planned for the duration of the programme cycle. Additional guidance on financial resources for evaluation is outlined in the revised evaluation policy of UNICEF (2023) ([E/ICEF/2023/27](#)) and its corrigendum ([E/ICEF/2023/27/Corr.1](#)).

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Country programme evaluation 2027–2031	Outcome 1: By 2031, Botswana has achieved inclusive, sustainable, and resilient economic diversification and growth	Generate and harness evidence	This evaluation is a mandatory corporate accountability and learning requirement for the country programme cycle. It provides the primary synthesis of UNICEF contribution and performance across sectors and accelerators, with explicit attention to cross-cutting priorities – gender equality, disability inclusion and leaving no one behind– as well as climate resilience, disaster risk reduction and emergency preparedness, in line with the emphasis in the country programme on climate shocks, drought, flooding and related humanitarian risks. The timing is intended to inform end-of-cycle course	Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of International Relations, Ministry of Justice and Correctional Services, Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Ministry for State President, Defence and Security, Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs, National Planning Commission	Inform programme course correction for the final years of the country programme and evidence-based design of the next country programme; strengthen strategic partnerships and policy dialogue; improve value-for-money and targeting decisions; provide accountability to national stakeholders and UNICEF governance processes.	February 2030	0 (RR) 75 000 (ORR) 75 000 (Total)

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			correction, the design of the subsequent country programme and the resource mobilization strategy.				
Midterm evaluation of convergence programming	Outcome 1	Generate and harness evidence	Core adaptive-management checkpoint at the midpoint of implementation; convergence is a key delivery strategy with high operational risks (coordination, integrated workflows, interoperability) and high potential payoff; the findings are needed in time to adjust targeting, implementation modalities and scale up plans.	Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of International Relations, Ministry of Justice and Correctional Services, Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Ministry for State President, Defence and Security, Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs, National Planning Commission	Enable rapid, practical course correction to improve integrated delivery (roles, workflows, referral pathways, data sharing, supervision), inform annual planning and reprogramming, strengthen accountability for convergence commitments at the district level, identify scalable models and minimum package standards for expansion.	November 2028	0 (RR) 60 000 (ORR) 60 000 (Total)
Evaluation of the social protection system	Outcome 1	Ending child poverty	High strategic relevance for equity and poverty reduction and a major lever for multisectoral results; significant fiscal implications requiring evidence for prioritization	Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of International Relations, Ministry of	Support policy reform and systems strengthening (harmonization, interoperability, delivery improvements), inform fiscal space and public financing for children,	June 2027	0 (RR) 100 000 (ORR) 100 000 (Total)

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			and value-for-money; addresses known coverage and fragmentation risks and informs reforms to delivery systems and shock-responsiveness.	Justice and Correctional Services, Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Ministry for State President, Defence and Security, Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs, National Planning Commission	dialogue and prioritization, guide design and scale-up of child-sensitive and shock-responsive measures, generate evidence to improve efficiency, reduce fragmentation and close coverage gaps for vulnerable children.		
Thematic evaluation of early childhood development programming	Outcome 1	Child survival and development	High-priority evidence need for the first decade pillar and a key determinant of lifecycle outcomes; supports decisions on scale-up and integration across sectors (with cost implications); addresses evidence gaps on service quality and equitable outcomes for vulnerable young children.	Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of International Relations, Ministry of Justice and Correctional Services, Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Ministry for State President, Defence and Security, Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs, National Planning Commission	Inform scale-up and refinement of integrated early childhood development models and minimum package standards; guide investment choices (workforce, quality assurance, data systems, delivery platforms) and improve equity of access and outcomes; strengthen policy dialogue and partnerships on early childhood development system strengthening.	February 2028	0 (RR) 80 000 (ORR) 80 000 (Total)

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Thematic evaluation of second decade (adolescent and youth) programming	Outcome 1	Learning for life Protection from violence	High-priority evidence need for the second decade pillar of the country programme; supports strategic decisions on targeting, delivery platforms and scale-up (with cost implications); fills critical evidence gaps on what works to improve equitable outcomes for adolescents and youth.	Ministry of Child Welfare and Basic Education, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of International Relations, Ministry of Justice and Correctional Services, Ministry of Local Government and Traditional Affairs, Ministry for State President, Defence and Security, Ministry of Youth and Gender Affairs, National Planning Commission	Inform refinement and scale-up of adolescent and youth programming approaches and delivery platforms; strengthen coherence across sectors and with first decade results; guide investment choices and targeting to improve equity, reach and outcomes; contribute to knowledge products and advocacy on adolescent and youth development.	February 2029	0 (RR) 80 000 (ORR) 80 000 (Total)
Total resources							0 (RR) 395 000 (ORR) 395 000 (Grand total)