

Step 3: Analyse Response Options

The response option analysis process will help you determine and document the most suitable modality and mechanism for the project's objective and context. First, by analyzing the assessment (community, markets and FSPs) results, comparing the diverse response modalities possible (cash, vouchers, in-kind, service) and selecting the most adequate. When a cash intervention is selected, the next step is to select the most suitable cash delivery mechanism (via bank, mobile money, remittances, etc.).

- Check the feasibility of each modality and potential mechanisms. [TOOL 5: Comparing Response Modalities and Delivery Mechanisms]
- Select the modality and mechanism based on a comparative analysis that includes timeliness, flexibility, efficiency, risks/mitigation and costs. [TOOL 6: Modality Decision making Matrix], and if cash is the select mechanism then select the delivery mechanism [TOOL 7: Mechanisms Decision making Matrix]
- Cash for work (CFW) should be considered when community work is required, accepted and can be performed by the local population, in a way which does not interfere with traditional livelihoods.



Flexibility is key

When deciding on a modality and mechanism remember, speed and flexibility is a more important criteria within the FbF context than cost-efficiency for the organization, as a timely delivery is key to the EA success.