Mitigating risks to the wider community

- Ensure that any decision on whom to prioritise is based on thorough context analysis.
- Consider the impact, intended or unintended, of broad or narrow targeting on individuals and the wider community.
- Ensure that the conflict analysis includes consideration of other groups in proximity to primary target groups.
- Triangulate data from multiple sources to ensure a comprehensive understanding of the local context and target group/community.
- Consider whether your programme might result in the stigmatisation of the target population group leading to internal and external suspicion.
- Consider whether your organisation has credible community support for your programme.
- Ensure a gender analysis of the VE context has been considered.
- Consider whether your programme will lead to increased inter-community tensions.

Mitigating risks to individuals and/or target groups

- Consider whether your programme risks the instrumentalisation of a particular group (e.g. mothers, religious leaders, teachers, young peacebuilders and activists, students) and what repercussions this might have.
- Consider whether your programme will lead to increased profiling and harassment of target individuals/groups by other groups or security forces.
- Consider whether your intervention might shrink the space for diverse views as target individuals and groups fear speaking out.
- Ensure M&E design includes regular risk analysis as part of ongoing monitoring.
- Review the specifics of targeting as part of the design process and link this to the change that the programme is trying to achieve.
- Consider whether negative local attitudes towards certain groups and individuals are linked more to societal prejudices rather than proclivity to VE – in particular when it comes to young people.