

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



***THE MAN OF OUR SUCCESS STORY (Mr. Francis), DON'T MISS.***

### **Introduction:**

Special greetings from the community development project. We thank so much our sponsors for the support which has enabled us to do some activities in community development. Despite of limited funding in community work, the organisation has tried its level best to do some work to benefit communities in areas of challenges they face. From our strategic plan for community development, this department mandate role was designed to re-develop the broken community systems for better human living. The organisation still working hard to look for funding for this department to tackle challenges people experience such as; Poverty, Unsafe water, Adult Illiteracy, Promoting modern Agriculture, Behavior change, Environmental Protection, Business training/ Entrepreneurship skills to parents, Adult education support among other issues. We give glory to the Lord because we have managed to register some progressive achievement in this first quarter 2019. The following is the update Report focus of from the community development department.

1. SHG group garden progress
2. SHG group meeting
3. Success on Increasing access to clean water and Borehole repairs
4. Success story from SHG saving. Francis in particular



### **1. SHG group Gardens to control poverty virus:**

By faith from some little funds we managed to get, we made an intervention of working with parents groups to do farming particularly in banana plantation. This project program is a bit challenged with limited funds since these farming income project require some stable funding to avoid setbacks in their progress. Our support has been located to 5 SHGs out of 10 SHGs we have. We still putting in more efforts to look for partners to make this program of poverty alleviation among rural people. One of the challenges our beneficiaries experience, is too much poverty. As a result of this poverty, children may be forced to out of school at a lower level as a result of parents failing to pay tuition fees for their children in high school, Technical schools and university. Parents may fail to meet the basic necessities of life to their family, Meeting medical issues also may be a challenge, Denying children justice especially in situation of child abuse and defilement as it can be simple to bribe these parents to drop cases before reaching to courts of Law, and so many issues that arise as a result of poverty. This is why our organisation is struggling to try to stop the spread of this poverty problem connected issues. In this quarter some 3 groups supported with some poultry manure.



Mothers in their group banana garden working hard to be successful by God's grace.



Some of the manure bought for 3 groups in banana farming



## 2. SHG group meeting.

On a monthly basis our field staff conduct SHG monitoring visits to train and to see the progress of parents groups in designed activities. According to this SHG approach, groups have to meet on weekly basis. In this first quarter we managed to form 3 more groups added to old 7 groups we had in 2018, this gives us 10 SHGs in total. So when groups meet on a weekly basis they do saving and credit management, sensitized on Parents responsibilities to children, Awareness on child rights, Tips on better farming methods, Good Leadership among others. Successfully 7 SHG members managed to win elections for area local leadership, conducted by the Government of Uganda. We give glory because now our members are confident to stand before others and willing to stand as leaders in communities. However we need to support adult program, to enable the illiterate parents to get some basics like on how to read and write, though funding is still a challenge to us.



*On left the Men's group of Nabbaale.1 village in their weekly meeting while on right mothers group of Kiterede in their weekly meeting.*



*From left parents in group meeting while on Right the new area elected local leaders from our groups*



## SUCCESS STORY FROM (BENEFITS OF SHG SAVING PROGRAM AND WATER)

### 3. The story of Francis in SHGs.

We give glory to the Lord, because our program in parents groups known as SHGs, one the parents managed to change his standards of living. Through saving and credit management program activities we conduct in these groups on weekly basis, one member managed to build a new house. Mr. Francis has been living a mud, grass thatched roofed house for over 12 years which was tempollary in reality and not so safe for him to live in as it has been getting weak. Francis has been saving with his group called Bukoza Farmers group for over 2 years. One day he made a decision of putting in his request to his group executive of taking a loan to build a new house to change his way of living. The group accepted to give him money and now his house is almost done as it only needs to put in door and windows plus working on the floor. Francis is so happy for this achievement and a mile stone he has moved. In his words Francis said ***“I thank the organisation and its funders for bringing this program of Saving and Credit Management into our community plus teaching us what to do after mobilizing us to form village based groups called KATWEYAMBE YAMBE”*** – (Its known as Self Help). We also feel as part of our responsibility the organisation of Shared Love Uganda, to give him some support on getting the doors and windows. We believe by God’s grace Francis will be helped



*From left Francis with a star moving out of his old house, on right standing in front of the old house*



*Francis in front of his new home and way how it looks*



#### **4. Increasing access to clean water and Borehole repairs.**

Increasing access to clean water is another important aspect of life world over and it's another big program that needs funding to help our communities. In this quarter God blessed us some funding to dig or drill one deep well. This has further enabled us to move a step in our program of increasing access to clean water in poor communities. This opportunity came through the Rotary club of Modesto connected by our sponsor Kate Donovan to Rotary club of Kasangati. Though we had like 5 villages requesting a borehole, the people of Kawomya were the lucky beneficiaries to get this deep well. The new bore hole was drilled up to 90 meters deep and is expected to serve between 800 to 900 beneficiaries including 2 primary schools, 1 High school and 120 households of between 4 to 6 people in each home. Before digging this bore people had to walk 1.5 to 2 KMs at least to get litters plus spending between 30 minutes to 1 hour to get water after waiting the long line at the so called nearby borehole. We therefore still need your prayers for God to bless us with more opportunities of getting some funding to drill or dig more boreholes for these vulnerable communities in our areas of operation.

**Borehole repairs,** We have also managed to do some Borehole repairs through sharing costs with the communities. One bore of Kijjo village was repaired and now people have access to clean water. When people have access to clean water, they are saved from water borne diseases, Saving money from falling sick, Improves academics performance since children are healthy not falling sick on water related issues hence not missing school. Among other Benefits.



*On left the vehicle drilling water while on right now tasting drilled water volume*





***Left to Right, Community accessing water from the newly constructed borehole***  
**BELOW IS REPAIRING BROKEN BOREHOLE AT KIJJO.**



***Experts with the new borehole pipes.***



***Fixing in new system in the broken borehole***

**OUR PRAYER REQUEST for next quarter and rest of the Year 2019.**

It is always our prayer for God to pave and open doors of funding for such programs below. We thank God for what has been done and achieved in the first quarter.

No.	Program Activity	Quantity needed to work on	Cost needed on each Quantity in UGX	In US. Dollars
1.	Increasing access to clean water	7 new boreholes	Machine – 20,000,000	5,479.5
			Hand dung- 9,000,000	2,465.8
2.	Supporting group garden to do either Piggery, Banana, Coffee projects	10 SHGs	Each group – 3,000,000	821.9
3.	Borehole repairs	3 boreholes	All need 4,000,000	1095.9

***THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND PRAYERS.***  
***MAY GOD BLESS YOU***