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Project:

Micro-credits for Sudanese women in Uganda.

Project Summary:

This project provides free interest bearing loans to 1000 Sudanese women aged between 25 to 55 years. The refugee women will form their own groups as a socialization and life skills development platform which will be run, managed and supervised by Team leaders. In general, there will be 100 to 250 women participating in each group centre in the outskirts of Kampala city.

This will enhance their social awareness, confidence and build their social capital. These women will also be offered focused income generation training so that they can start their own business for economic self reliance. This training will also be supported by the provision of micro-credits to these women.

Project Need and Beneficiaries:

There are 5000 thousand Sudanese refugee women living in poverty in the slums on the outskirt of Kampala city many of whom will not be returning to Sudan after living in Uganda for over 20 years. These women do not receive economic support from UNHCR in Kampala. This project benefits 1000 of these women.

This project seeks to reduce poverty, increase sociability, improve business training, and economically empower poor Sudanese refugee women in slums in the outskirt of Kampala.

Project activities take place in slum of:

Kibuli, Kakira, and Kajjansji respectively.

Each group centre will have a team leader who will be also a woman chosen by her group.

Project activities:

Team leader will pre-screen, qualify, train and issue loans of \$100-\$250 per a woman to start a new business. Team leader will organize monthly borrower meetings, conduct periodic site visits, and provide ongoing business training.

Donation options:

\$10 – contribute to a loan for 1 refugee woman to start a small business \$50- provide a loan for 1 refugee woman to start a business \$250- provide a loan for 1 refugee woman to start a life time business \$300- pays 3 months business training for 3 women

Budget:

\$50,000 – for project life time of 5 years 2010, and 2014 etc.

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