**KAMPALA CONSULTATION MEETING**

**ON NATIONAL PEACE DIALOGUE IN SOUTH SUDAN**

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| **PROJECT SUMMARY** | |
| **Project Title** | Empowerment of 200 vulnerable South Sudanese Refugees |
| **Organization** | Lacha Community and Economic Development (LCED) |
| **Date of Submission** | 31st Aug 2017 |
| **Proposed start-end dates** | 1st Oct 2017 |
| **Total budget** | 19,500 USD |

**BACKGROUND SITUATION**

The long-term conflict in South Sudan has created a situation in which majority of the population has never experienced durable peace. Illiterate rate is very high, in many cases, communities have been resolving disputes only with violence, while the youth have often been recruited by different armed groups and manipulated, which leads to the protraction of the conflict, in a never-ending, self-sustaining cycle. Research has shown that young men and women are the most affected by the multiple and inter-related form of violence. As a result more than one million South Sudanese have fled to Uganda, refugee majorities of the South Sudanese refugee are women and children

Recently, the failure of the Transitional Government of National Unity in South Sudan (formed in April 2016) and the consequent renewed conflict since July 2017 has created a new socio-economic crisis in the country, also leading thousands of South Sudanese to flee to neighboring Countries, while many remain internally displaced. According to UNHCR (2016), since fighting erupted in South Sudan in 2013, the number of South Sudanese refugees in Uganda has raised from 22,483 to 1,000,000. Due to the momentous influx South Sudanese in Uganda the UN resources become overstretched, leaving the UN support to refugees bellow humanitarian standard, it is against this background that Lacha Community and Economic Development is seeking to empower 100 vulnerable South Sudanese refugee in Kyirandongo refugee settlement to become self-reliant in order to enable them meet their family basic livelihood needs and live in integrity

**PROJECT JUSTIFICATION**

The nature of conflict in South Sudan is most likely to drag for years or even decades and there is no immediate hope for the return of the South Sudanese refugees soon, and with the global humanitarian crisis donors Countries are unable to provide sufficient funding for lifesaving relief operations, hence placing small money to build the capacity of the affected population will enable them to become self-reliant and contribute significantly towards finding solution to the world humanitarian crisis.

LCED recognizes the importance of integrating the refugee livelihoods recovery into the life-serving humanitarian responses to reduce total dependence of refugee on the relief air endlessly,

Furthermore Uganda is a free economic zone in the East Africa and if refugee are empower they will participate equal with the local population to improve their livelihoods

**ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Lacha Community and Economic Development (LCED) is a national Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) operating in South Sudan since 2008, and incorporated in Uganda in 2016 (Registration No. 12412). LCED works with and supports local disadvantaged communities, providing humanitarian assistance and developing their resilience, in order to eradicate extreme poverty and reduce sufferings.

One of the specific LCED objectives is to promote peace social economic development of disadvantaged population, focusing on South Sudanese communities within and outside their country of origin. LCED has implemented several humanitarian projects, with funding from common humanitarian food and USAID OFDA Rabid Response Fund managed by International Organization for Migration IOM in South Sudan, LCED has all the technical capacity to implement this women empowerment project.

**OBJECTIVE**

Reduce abject vulnerability of 100 vulnerable South Sudanese refugee women in Kyirandongo refugee settlement through capacity building training and provision of small business capital grants to become self-reliant

**ACTIVITY**

* Identify 100 most vulnerable South Sudanese refugees women in Kyirandongo refugee settlement and train them income generating activities to become self-reliant
* provide small capital grant for 100 trained South Sudanese vulnerable refugees women in Kyirandongo refugee settlement
* provide high yield vegetable seeds for the 50 South Sudanese refugee women trained in Kyirandongo refugee settlement
* ensure close monitoring mechanisms to guide the beneficiaries in order to ensure the

**Expected outcomes:**

* 100 most vulnerable South Sudanese vulnerable refugee women in Kyirandongo refugee settlement receives income generating skills
* abject vulnerability of 100 most vulnerable South Sudanese refugees women in Kyirandongo refugee settlement improved
* living standard of 100 most vulnerable South Sudanese refugee women in Kyirandongo refugee settlement improved

**WORKPLAN**

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| **Activity** | **Oct 2017** | **Nov 2017** | **Dec 2017** | **Jan 2018** | **Feb 2018** |
| Identify 100 most vulnerable South Sudanese refugee and training |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provision of small capital grants and vegetable seeds |  |  |  |  |  |
| Follow-up meetings with the beneficiaries |  |  |  |  |  |
| Continuing monitoring |  |  |  |  |  |

**BUDGET**

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| **Budget line** | **Total amount** |
| 1. stationary | 40 USD |
| 1. sign post for visibility | 45 USD |
| 1. Fertilize for vegetable production | 1500 USD |
| 1. Training on petty business management | 1900 USD |
| 1. Provision of vegetable seeds | 2000 USD |
| 1. Training on vegetable predation | 2100 USD |
| 1. Monthly monitoring | 2500 USD |
| 1. Small capital grant for the beneficiaries | 9500 USD |
| **GRAND TOTAL** | **19,500 USD** |

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