

Ujamaa Community Resource Team is a non-governmental organization registered in the United Republic of Tanzania in East Africa.

Our Mission is to promote and enhance communities' capacity to improve their livelihoods and to sustainably manage their natural resources.

Our Vision is one of improved livelihoods for pastoralists, hunter-gatherers and agro-pastoralist communities through social justice and sustainable natural resource management.

An essential part of land rights in ensuring all communities are part of the decision making process. We noticed that women were often missing from this process so we set out to give them a platform to be heard through our forums.

Through our Women's Rights and Leadership Forums, which are groups of 24 women from each of the almost 50 villages we work in, we are socially and economically empowering 1,125 vulnerable women.

The project of "Economic Empowerment of Indigenous Women" focuses on the 24 member WRLF group from Terat Village in northern Tanzania. As members of the Maasai tribe, these women face discrimination and exclusion from the decision making processes and are often left without control of even their own lives. By supporting them to start their own small businesses, we are helping change the tides in these communities. Because these women are earning their own income, they are finding their voice and are less vulnerable to threats such as loss of land.

The project aims to raise a total \$10,000 USD which will provide a variety of livestock including several cows used for milk production and goats for breeding. The women also have a plot of land they intend to produce grass seed on to sell at market.