PROJECT PROPOSAL

'VEGETABLE GARDENS FOR REFUGEE FEMALE HOUSEHOLD HEADS'

Project Cost: \$10,000

Project Location: Adjumani Refugee Settlement-West Nile Region, Uganda.

Project Duration: 12 Months (June 2020-May 2021)

Project Target: Refugee women and girls with poor health and low immunity (women/girls living with HIV/Aids, those with cancer, children with malnutrition, pregnant and lactating mothers, child mothers, survivors of gender based violence).

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Summary

This project will enable 10,000 vulnerable refugee women to grow and produce their own food by providing them with quick maturing and vegetable seeds and farming tools (handheld hoes). The goal is to reduce hunger, malnutrition, poor health and improve on the immunity of refugee women and children especially those living with HIV/AIDS and other terminal illnesses, breast feeding and lactating mothers, those with disabilities and children with acute malnutrition thereby helping to reduce the risk of exposure to contracting the corona virus among such categories of vulnerable refugees.

Challenge

UN World food program recently announced 30% reduction in food and cash rations given to refugees in Uganda due to funding gaps putting many refugee households at the greater risk of starvation. Unfortunately the current lockdown caused by COVID-19 has paralyzed any means of livelihood for hundreds of refugee women and girls who bear the burden of providing for their families. Moreover the activities of many Non-Governmental organizations implementing food security and nutrition projects in Adjumani are in near halt making any efforts for refugee households to produce their own food in the 40X40 square meters of land given to them by the government of Uganda impossible due to lack of access to seeds and farming tools .

Solution

Voice for Humanity Uganda will provide 2000 food insecure and malnourished refugee female household heads with 1000 grams of vegetable seeds of their choice (main vegetable seeds of focus will be Roselle, Cow Pea, Amarantha, Spider Plant, Okra, Egg Plants and Tomatoes seeds) and one hand held hoe. This is meant to support them be able to produce their own nutritious food to improve on their immunity and reduce the risk of contracting of corona virus due to dietary deficiencies. On-going training and technical agricultural advisory service shall be provided to the beneficiary women/girls on the areas of vegetable growing and post harvest handling to ensure better harvest and proper management of the output.

Long-Term Impact

The projects long term impact is reduced dependence on food aid among vulnerable refugee women due to enhanced capacity to produce their own food, reduced levels of hunger and malnutrition among the targeted household individuals. Over 12,000 will directly benefit from increased access to nutritious vegetables leading to improved immunity and their general health status.

PROJECT BUDGET BREAK DOWN

All figures in USD

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S/N	ITEM	UNIT OF MEASURE	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
01	Vegetable Seeds	Kgs/Tins/Cups/Packs	2000	2	4,000
02	Hand Held Hoes	Pieces	2000	3	6,000
GRAND TOTAL PROJECT COST					10,000