

PROJECT TITLE

WATER AND SANITATION AT ST. MUGAGGA BOYS' HOME

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**APPLICANT: ST. MUGAGGA BOYS' HOME JINJA (HOME OF ORPHANS AND
VULNERABLE CHILDREN)**

LEGAL HOLDER: JINJA DIOCESE

FINANCES: TOTAL COST: 90,000,000UGX i.e. 24,405 US\$

LOCAL CONTRIBUTION: 8,000,000UGX i.e. 2,165 US\$

AMOUNT REQUESTED: 82,000,000 UGX i.e. 22,236 US\$

PRESENTED TO:

EXCHANGE RATE: 1 dollar is equivalent to 3687

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1. INTRODUCTION

Water and sanitation project is envisioned to provide safe and clean water to Orphans and Vulnerable Children at St Mugagga Boys Home. It is hoped that the success of this project shall ensure good health, improved standards of living and security of the children at the Home. This project shall be implemented by St Mugagga Boys Home. This is a registered non-profit and non-partisan organisation in Uganda. The home is mandated to offer care and protection to Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVCs)

St Mugagga Boys Home has impacted on the lives of very many children both within the residential care and in the community. Unfortunately, the home has been struggling with shortage of safe and clean water. This crisis has been necessitated by various conditions which include shortage of financing and geographical location. The home is located on the top of Rubaga Hill which is far above the height for the reservoir tank of the National Water and Sewerage Cooperation which is a national agency in Uganda. The reservoir supplies three districts which include Jinja, Mayuge and Buikwe. This makes it impossible for the home to receive water from National Water reservoir tank which flows by gravity.

Worse still, our immediate neighbor is an army barracks where the children would go to search for water. While still battling with the hardships of searching for water outside the home, the administration for the barracks fenced off the barracks. This has rendered the children incomparably vulnerable as they cannot even access safe and clean water as it is guided in the sixth Sustainable Development Goal.

This calamity has a chain of unbearable consequences which put the life of children at stake. If it is not fast trodden, the realization of the other SDGs and overall wellbeing of children will be hindered. It is for this reason that the home seeks to implement a water and sanitation project which will enhance the availability of clean and safe water in the Home. This will involve the drilling of a bore hall and the installation of a solar system which run the water pump to fill the Home reserve tank. The Project is projected to cost \$24,405 USD. Unfortunately, as per our local contribution, we have \$2169 USD. We therefore appeal to you for a financial support of \$22,236 USD.

2. BACKGROUND OF ST MUGAGGA BOYS HOME

St. Mugagga Boys' home is a Catholic founded home by the Diocese of Jinja. It was established in 1967 to reduce the dying rate of children between the rate of 4-17 years due to various factors including poverty as the major factor, and violence in the homes.

It was a diocesan effort through Brother Herman Wubbles, who by then working with the diocese mostly in child affairs, realizing numbers of infants dumped at the presbytery gates and convents. In cooperation with the Brothers and other authorities located within Jinja Municipality and other urban centers in eastern Uganda to remote villages, he came out with a plan to start St Mugagga Boys Home.

Vision

To be a model for best practices in child care and protection of orphans and vulnerable children

Mission

The home is committed to giving holistic development to the abandoned and neglected children through rehabilitation and education for future self-reliance.

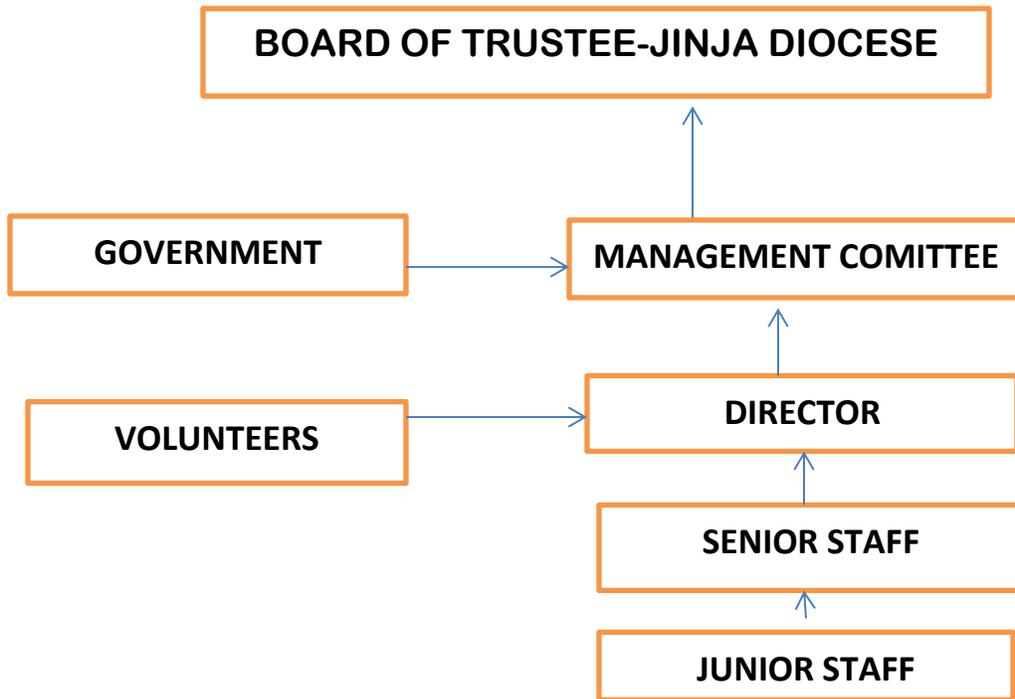
Objectives

- ✓ To care for needy children who are in need of care and protection.
- ✓ To assist its children develop physically, emotionally, psychologically, socially and morally
- ✓ To bring up its children in the context of community child up-bringing
- ✓ To observe the rights of the children as provided for in the children's Home rules governing such and similar institution
- ✓ To encourage fostering and adoption of its children when deemed fit and in the line with the fostering and adoption acts.

Organisation Structure

The organisation values the religious Charism of the Bannakaroli Brothers of following and sharing in Humility and Charity of the Divine Heart of Jesus. This is where they draw the courage in carrying out this charitable work

3. ORGANISATION CHART- ST MUGAGGA BOYS HOME



The boys are admitted to this home on the recommendation of the probation officers who are mandated by the Government to carry out this responsibility as per by the Ugandan laws. Ideally it was to give the necessary care to them as we tress their origin, and again to safeguard the lives of the orphans and vulnerable children and restore their dignity. Currently the home registers a number of 82 orphans under the care of the Brothers of St. Charles Lwanga (Bannakaroli) who

4. GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION

St. Mugagga boys' home is situated at Rubaga hill near the Cathedral for the Diocese of Jinja. It is only 2kms from the main town of Jinja City. Jinja is located in Busoga sub region which is the third poorest in Uganda. Poverty and poor service delivery have contributed much to the poor standards of living. This has resulted into vices like domestic violence, early marriages and social conflicts which have increased the vulnerability of children in the area.

5. PROBLEM STATEMENT

The water and sanitation crisis in St. Mugagga Boys Home is attested to by various reports at many levels. To start with, a 2015 World Health Organization report mentions that almost 50% of the developing world's population 2.5 billion people lack improved sanitation facilities, and over 884 million people still use unsafe drinking water sources including 159 million people who are dependent on surface water such as rivers and lakes. Also 423 million people take water from unprotected springs and wells among the developing countries. Inadequate access to safe water and sanitation services, coupled with poor hygiene practices, kills and sickens thousands of children every day, and leads to impoverishment and diminished opportunities for thousands more. Poor sanitation, water and hygiene have many other serious repercussions.

According to UN Environment Program (UNEP), 300 million people in Africa still do not have reasonable access to safe drinking water and nearly 230 million people defecate in the open. In developing countries, accessibility of safe drinking water is still a problem and people are forced to use available unimproved water sources. These water sources are often microbiologically unsafe and as a result, the most well-known waterborne diseases such as cholera, amoebic dysentery and typhoid are reported from almost all African countries especially in tropical areas of the region including Uganda.

According to Uganda Ministry of Water and Environment report of 2012, access to safe water within 1km in the rural areas was 64%, despite the efforts and achievements by the Ugandan government to tackle the menace of safe and clean water. In general, 51% of Ugandans lack access to safe water and 81% do not have access to improved sanitation facilities.

Jinja is the second industrialized town after Kampala city with small and large scale industries. The establishment of industries over time has attracted a number of people from the rural areas to work in the factories and also access social amenities such as schools and hospitals. Consequently, water, air and land pollution are a recurrent phenomenon in Jinja purely because of industrialization, poor waste management, poor treatment of effluent from industries, wetland degradation and improper extensive application of pesticides and herbicides that have degraded the integrity of nature. For instance, the mean particulate matter in Jinja is 5.3 times in respect to safe levels recommended by the World Health Organisation.

Back to the home, the situation is not any better. The home is under the pressure of clean water which is now the chief threat to the children's wellbeing and safety. As regards our financial records, one of the biggest expenditure that the home incurs per year is on medication related to water borne diseases. Diseases like typhoid, diarrhea and other associated diseases are the results of the shortage of safe and clean water in the home. There is much fear now days with cases of child trafficking where many children have been abducted when they are from and to their homes, in the process of searching for clean water. We have lost many Children in such cases all over the country.

When the barracks was completely fenced off, our children were restricted from accessing the premises where they could search for clean and safe water. We felt that this was the worst blow to our children wellbeing. Unfortunately, COVID 19 pandemic made it worse where we were advised to keep social distance and staying at home as a measure to prevent the contraction of the deadly disease. Therefor the Board resolved to give water a priority if we are to protect and give the quality services to the vulnerable and the orphan children. It's an argent issue because even the government through the probation officer advised us to create a source of clean water within the premises of the home. This was to ensure security of the Children in accordance with policies and rules governing the homes of the orphans and vulnerable children in Uganda.

The foundation body is aware of the need and the urgency of this cause but the income status cannot allow us to put in existence such big project. It is for this main reason that we need to ensure the wellbeing and safety of children in the home. We are hopeful that any support to the realization of this project shall necessitate better health and security of the children. It will also enhance the realization of SDG number six as well as contributing towards national and international development.



Children leave the Home in
Search for water



Some of the Children at their
free time in the Home

6. PROJECT PROFILE

Project Goal

The health and overall wellbeing of the children at St. Mugagga Boys Home is improved.

Strategic Objectives

In case of implementing this project, the following objectives will be achieved;

- Clean and safe water is provided to the children at St. Mugagga Boys home.
- The security of the children is improved in the home
- Government policies that guide the home are successfully implemented

7. PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

By the fact that St. Mugagga Boys Home is just two kilometers from Jinja town, it would be reasonable that the home receives piped water from the National Water and Sewage Cooperation of Uganda which is a government agency. Unfortunately, given the physical location of the home, it was pitched at the topmost end of the hill which is far above the reservoir for national

water. This implies that the home cannot receive water which flows by gravity to nearly two districts.

Furthermore, it would be possible that the children search for water from the neighborhood. Unfortunately, our immediate neighbor is the army barracks which has been fenced off. This has made it impossible for our children to receive water. This renders the home helpless and with no alternative except finding means of getting underground water. It is for this main reason that we seek to drill a borehole from where water shall be pumped by a solar system to the reserve tank of the home.

This shall enable the children to have safe and clean water. It shall therefore reduce the prevalence of water borne diseases among the children which claim the biggest portion of the medical bills in the home. The water and sanitation project shall also sustain the agricultural projects of the home. The livestock in the home and poultry shall be able to get water. It shall also be used to irrigate the crops grown in the home. This shall not only ensure a balanced diet to the children but shall also boost the revenue of the home. This shall in turn enhance the growth of our domestic revenue which shall lead to the improved overall performance of the home. By so doing, SDG number six shall be realized as well as overall national and international development.

8. PROJECT ACTIVITIES

The successful implementation of this project shall involve various activities. These shall be carried out by the same private company that we have involved in this project. Nninzi Holdings Group Limited –Uganda is a private company with a wide range of experience. It has performed exceptionally well in various projects around the country. These activities shall include the following;-

1. Hydrogeological survey
2. Drilling (1) borehole
3. Solar pump and installation
4. Reservoir tank and pipe work

9. DIRECT BENEFICIARIES

The successful implementation of this project shall directly benefit the orphans and vulnerable children in the home. It shall also benefit the staff that runs the home. This shall improve the health of the children and overall performance of the staff members. This shall in turn help the home to realize its main object

The home practices agriculture which includes crop production and animal rearing. These supply the home with food which helps to release the pressure on the budget of the home. The implementation of this project shall avail water for animals, poultry and watering the gardens. This shall indirectly contribute towards good feeding in the home which shall help us to overcome malnutrition. The other possible direct beneficiaries shall be the children who stay around the home and they access the home to engage in various co-curricular activities such as sports, music, dance and drama.

10. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

The Water and Sanitation Project shall be monitored under St. Mugagga Boys Home which works for the protection and care of vulnerable children in Uganda. Strategic planning shall create short and long term plans to guide a project to be continued and help in availing clean and safe water better health, improved agricultural yields and overall performance of the home. Other implementation strategies include; - monitoring and evaluation, reports, meetings and accountability assessment.

Project Team:

1. Home administrator (1 member)
2. Accountant of the Home (1 member)
3. Diocesan Secretary For Finance(1member)
4. Evaluation and Monitoring team (The Board of the Directors)

11. MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF THE PROJECT

The project team with the board of governors for the home shall make sure that the project is implemented as soon as the funds are remitted on the account. Additionally, the monitoring and evaluation team shall ensure a successful implementation of the project. There shall be various reports regarding the monitoring of the various stages of the project implementation. All activities shall be monitored and reported with substantial evidence which shall include valid receipts of payment, photos and videos.

Hoping for a positive consideration and accepting to participate in our mission for the better future of the orphans and vulnerable children.

Yours Faithfully,

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Bro. Nicholus Nuwagira
Project Presenter/Administrator
St Mugagga Boys Home

12. APPENDIX

PROJECT PROFORMA INVOICE

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DATE: 20TH/JULY/2020

Invoice;

Addressed to;

St. Mugagga Boys home Jinja

No. 081

Date: 11th July/2020

Qty	Particulars	Rate	Amount (Ugx)
1	Drilling (1) borehole		28,000,000
1	Solar pump installation		20,000,000
1	Hydro-geological survey		2,000,000
1	Metallic Round Cylindrical tank		20,000,000
1	Tank stand(Tower)		15,000,000
1	Concrete Bases		5,000,000
		TOTAL	90,000,000(UgX)

Amount in words: *Ninety million shillings (90,000,000/-)*

BANK DETAILS

A/C Name: NNINZI HOLDINGS GROUP LIMITED

Bank Name: Equity bank (Uganda)

Bank A/c No.: 1010201343272

Branch: KAJJANSI BRANCH

COUNTRY: UGANDA