



***“Empowering livelihood, well-being, and appropriate development
in marginalized communities through
social enterprise investment.”***

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Tackling Poverty

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- Ecological Debt (Historical Legacy of Greed)
- Measuring and assessing global poverty
- Local sustainable development and empowerment
- PHI Interventions
 - Water Sanitation and Hygiene
 - Educating the Next Generation
 - Health: Nutrition, Access to Care, Food Security
 - Housing and Community Infrastructure
 - Livelihoods

Our Mission

"to reduce systemic poverty in marginalized and impoverished communities through appropriate social enterprise investments"

Ecological Debt

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“Ecological debt is the accumulated debt of wealthier countries for having plundered poorer countries by the exploitation of their resources, the degradation of their natural habitat, the beggaring of local people and/or the free occupation of environmental space for waste discharge.”

Southern Peoples Ecological Debt Creditors Alliance



PHI recognizes the legacy of greed as manifested by slavery, colonialism and unbridled capitalism to be major factors which shape the present landscape of global poverty. Tackling poverty must restore local biodiversity, break post-colonial and post-enslavement mindsets, and remove their negative influences on community health and well-being.

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Who are the marginalized?

When a community is unable to provide for their minimum nutrition, health, shelter, education, security, leisure, or other aspects of life they become the marginalized. Marginalized communities include urban, rural, and other remote locations where there is ecological debt, often created by a legacy of greed. Urban areas swell with overpopulation and become under-resourced. They are burdened with unemployment, crime, inadequate housing (homelessness and slums), and disease. Rural areas become hosts for large agribusinesses relying on cheap labor to feed the urban areas or export food. This creates an imbalance in rural agricultural diversity, local food crops suffer, and local commerce declines. With declining populations in the rural areas, the national priorities of development, health, and education neglect these communities. There is no planned future for the next generation; the land becomes unproductive.

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Empowerment

Empowering the marginalized requires opening access to or control of the processes for resource accumulation and distribution. Unable to provide for their own, they are also unable to be a resource to their neighbors. Poverty is economic, social, environmental, and psychological deprivation where there is insufficient ownership, control, or access to the resources needed to maintain or provide a minimum livelihood for individuals and their community. Empowering the marginalized must comprehensively break these economic, social, environmental, and psychological chains.

“The only way to effectively fight poverty is to make the poor productive” - Fr. Godfrey Nzamujo, Centre Songhai

Sustainable Development and Community Empowerment

What we believe:

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- 1. Land resources, no matter how crippled or dysfunctional, can be restored and leveraged to sustain a community of a proportional size.*
- 2. Rural education strategies must be aligned with the needs of the community and be designed for both immediate and long-term benefit. The strategies must be comprehensive.*
- 3. Breaking the chains of poverty requires first releasing the chains of historic and systemic disenfranchisement. Hope starts by having the resources to overcome the present circumstances.*
- 4. Initiatives must engage the local and solutions must be locally owned.*
- 5. Land resources, no matter how crippled or dysfunctional, can be leveraged to sustain a community of proportionate size.*
- 6. Encouraging the poor to save and to invest in themselves is a sustainable pathway out of systemic poverty. "Poor people can save and want to save, and when they do not save it is because of lack of opportunity rather than lack of capacity. People's savings behavior is a direct result of the way they perceive goals in their life, and how they manage income and expenses through a variety of lumping/buffering mechanisms." ... Alok Pattanayak*

Sustainable Development and Community Empowerment

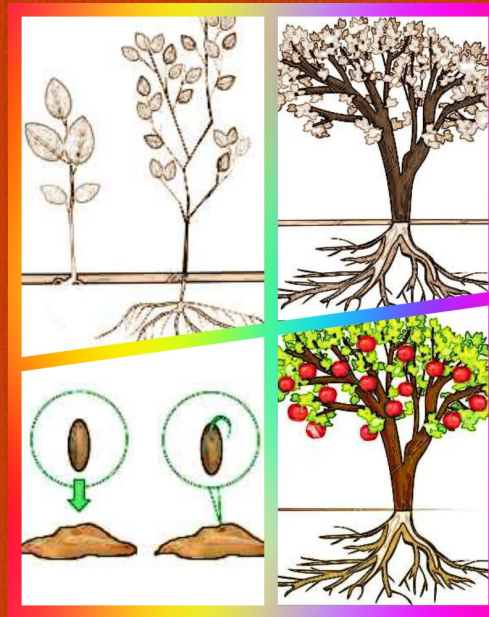
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7. *Increasing local biodiversity is essential to lifting up an impoverished community. Evaluating the relationship between local socio-economics and biodiversity loss is the starting point to restorative solutions. “Rural to urban migrations result in the loss of young individuals (who form the back bone for the work force on farms) seeking better city life. Unless there are deliberate policy measures by Africa’s policy makers to sustain agricultural production in the face of rapid urbanization, the process of urbanizations may produce negative consequences in the agricultural sector, leading to food shortages with its attendant consequences: availability, price increases, hunger, etcetera.” ... Charles I Oyewole*
8. *Investing in education improves the whole community. Schools can become centers for your and adult education, for job-training, and for reversing negative behaviors.*
9. *Rural education strategies must be comprehensive; aligned with the needs of the community and be designed for both immediate and long-term benefit.*
10. *Development initiatives must engage the local and they must be desired by the community.*

PHI Interventions

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**PHI: HOPE FOR A BETTER
FUTURE**

Sustainable Community Development

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MICRO-FINANCE



EDUCATION



TIER 1
HEALTH CLINICS

RAINWATER
HARVESTING



RAINWATER HARVESTING

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Water tank at a home



Tank foundation being built for a compound



School children at a hand washing station



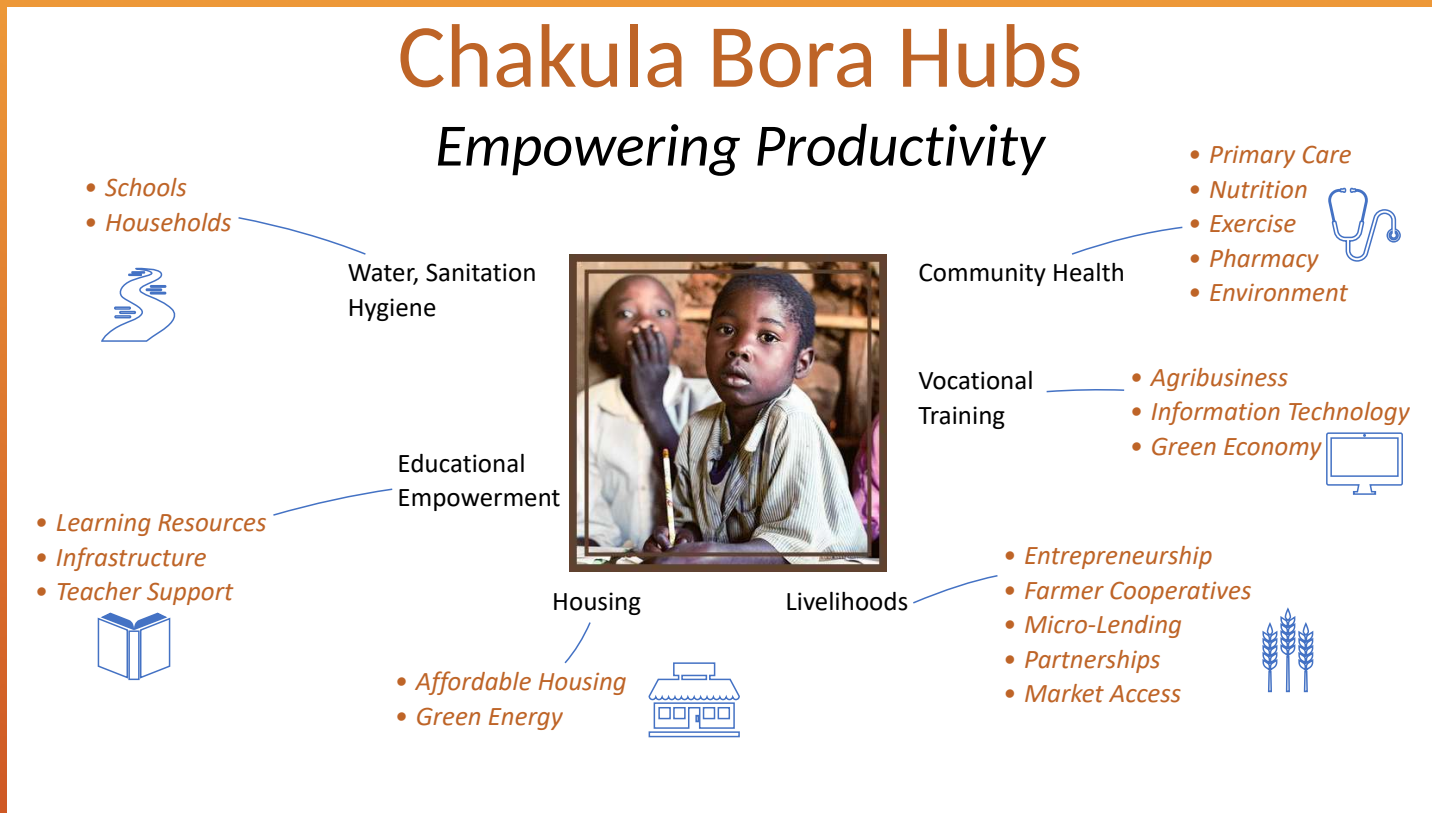
Water allows growing gardens and raising chickens



Sustainable Community Development

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Chakula Bora Hubs Empowering Productivity



ONE HUB AT A TIME ... ADDRESSING POVERTY'S COMPLEX WEB

Poverty Interventions

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- Water Sanitation and Hygiene**
- Educating the Next Generation**
- Health Care**
- Housing and Community Infrastructure**
- Livelihoods and Food Security**

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

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- We bring solutions for clean water to the home. Without water, there is disease, hunger, no education, no income
- We bring clean water and sanitary solutions to schools
- ... and households, where the solid waste and wastewater treatment is inadequate
- We teach hygiene to students; those students demonstrate hygiene in their homes.



Educating the Next Generation

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We supplement the efforts of regional governments in educating the next generation.

- Affordable housing for teachers.
- Clean Energy Supply and WiFi infrastructure
- Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene equipped
- Vegetable and fruit garden
- Library resources for K - Adult
- Other complementary infrastructure and educational equipment



Health Care

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Community health clinics in rural and under-resourced areas featuring:

- Access to care for people with disabilities, children, elderly and the general public.
- Blood pressure and diabetes prevention and management
- Basic health services consultation and preventive health programs
- Substance use disorder prevention and treatment
- HIV/AIDS prevention and management
- Nutritional consultation and management.
- Pharmaceutical Services



Housing and Community Infrastructure

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- Affordable housing solutions in conjunction with establishing and strengthening businesses in the community.**
- Green energy solutions including biogas and solar**
- Rainwater harvesting and wastewater treatment**
- Equipping schools to become community learning hubs**
- Strengthening the agricultural sector**
- Appropriate Transportation Solutions**

Livelihoods and Food Security

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- Microfinance investments on initiatives and business plans based on triple bottom line performance (people, profit, and plan)**
- Savings plans for the future**
- 'Pay it forward' and 'table banking' where the community invests in and empowers one another**
- Sustainable Agriculture for small holder farmers**



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