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Uganda Water Project - Help Provide Clean Water to Rural Communities in Uganda! Global Giving

1. The Problem

Access to clean and safe water remains a critical global challenge, particularly in Uganda's rural regions. A staggering 60% of the population lacks access to clean water, forcing reliance on contaminated sources such as rivers and ponds. This dire situation escalates the risk of waterborne diseases, disproportionately impacting vulnerable demographics like children and mothers.

Despite governmental and NGO interventions, existing solutions have made a difference, but they've fallen short of effectively addressing the community's water needs. Constructed boreholes often yield salty or hard water, rendering them unsafe or non-functional. Additionally, while the government has established distant wells providing purified water, the expense and distance render them inaccessible to many in need.

To bridge this gap, we need your support. Your contribution is not just crucial, it's integral in making this a reality. With your help, we can implement sustainable and cost-effective alternatives, like the installation of safe and clean piped water kiosks within these communities. This approach not only ensures accessibility but also mitigates health risks associated with contaminated water sources. By fostering collaboration and support, we can implement lasting change and safeguard the well-being of vulnerable populations in Uganda's rural areas.

2. What we have done so far

Field for Humanity, initiated by our team, has implemented a groundbreaking approach to addressing the critical need for clean and safe water in rural communities. Thanks to our partners, such as the Rotary Club of Webster Groves, Missouri, USA, and the First Congregational Church of Webster Groves, Missouri, USA, we have been able to expand the piped water infrastructure, establish 10 community water kiosks, distribute 10 ceramic water filters, and install 30 Sato pans for covering latrine holes. These achievements have made a significant impact, demonstrating the potential for change. But there is still more to be done, and with your support, we can do it.

Central to the success of our endeavors is the invaluable leadership and guidance provided by our Board Chairperson, a celebrated Bishop hailing from the West Nile region. With ongoing support and collaboration with the esteemed Rotary Club of Webster Groves, Missouri, USA, the First Congregational Church of Webster Groves, Missouri, USA, and donors like you, we aim to extend our reach, ensuring every community member gains access to essential, safe water and sanitation facilities. *(Photos on p.2)*

3. Our Impact

Our endeavors have made a substantial difference within the community. Our community water kiosks now cater to 40 villages, offering safe and clean water to approximately 3,720 households, benefiting over 22,320 children and women. This intervention has notably diminished the incidence of waterborne diseases, including diarrhea, cholera, dysentery, and typhoid, consequently reducing the number of cases and associated fatalities.

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4. Call to Action

Although our efforts have yielded positive results, much work is still ahead. The West Nile region of Uganda is home to approximately 3,000,000 individuals in the 13 districts where we operate. Despite our progress, we have only extended clean and safe water access to 40 villages and 3,720 households, benefitting 22,320 people.

To address this pressing issue comprehensively, we are compelled to take further action. Our goal is to construct additional community water kiosks and distribute ceramic water filters, and Sato pans across the region to reach 67% (2,000,000/3,000,000) of individuals with limited access to clean and safe water. By doing so, we aim to enhance access to clean, safe water and promote better sanitation and hygiene practices among the wider community.

5. The Budget

We require \$15,000 in total one-year financing. To break this down, we want to construct 10 more community water kiosks, which need only \$1,000 to construct each community water kiosk ($\$1,000 * 10 = \$10,000$). We want to provide everyone with free access to the kiosk. To do this, annual government subscriptions and service fees will cost us \$115 for 2 years ($\$115 * 2 \text{ years} * 10 \text{ kiosks} = \$2,300$), one ceramic water filter costs \$30 ($\$30 * 56 \text{ filters} = \$1,680$), and one Sato pan costs \$10 ($\$10 * 102 \text{ Sato pans} = \$1,020$). After the construction of each water kiosk, government officials elect a committee of eight women, who are then given the key to manage the kiosk sustainably.

We appreciate your generosity in helping extend clean and safe water to change the lives of rural communities. For any questions, collaboration, and partnerships, contact Field for Humanity at info@fieldforhumanity.org



Figure 1: Ora River: People are washing their clothes, swimming, bathing, and fetching water for home use



Figure 2: Ora River: On a different day, people are washing and fetching water for home use



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Figure 3: Water fetched from the river is not boiled, treated, or filtered

Figure 4: With the district officials, we launched the community water kiosk



Figure 5: Leader, Women Water Committee at the kiosk

Figure 6: Ceramic Water Filter

Figure 7: Sato pan



Figure 8: David, the Deputy Director demonstrating how to use Ceramic Water Filter



Figure 9: Some of the team members based in Uganda

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Figure 10: Potor Kalulu at the



Figure 11: Sato pan (Used for covering the hole of a latrine)



Figure 12: Sato pan inserted in the pit latrine



Figure 13: Most common pit latrines in rural areas

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