

<b>Project title:</b>	SETTING UP A COMMUNITY LIBRARY IN BUKERERE
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<b>Legal status:</b>	COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATION
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<b>Submitted to:</b>	

## 1. INTRODUCTION

The Andtex Training and Care Organisation (TATCO) Uganda is committed to the advancement of quality education and the holistic development of children and youths in underserved communities. We are honored to submit this grant proposal to you for a financial support. This proposal outlines our shared vision to **setup a Library and a Computer lab** at one of the in Bukerere center which will be used by both school going children and other community youths with clear guidelines and make a meaningful impact to children who face considerable educational (Literacy) barriers, particularly those who can't access the library services at schools and at home and the advancement in learning and research through technology that is missing in our community.

## ABOUT US

We are THE ANDTEX TRAINING AND CARE ORGANISATION (TATCO Uganda) a Community Based Organisation which was formed in 2010 as community youth group and later fully registered to operate as a CBO in 2013. We are currently carrying out our work in the in the central rural villages in the districts of Mukono, Buikwe and Wakiso in Uganda having our Headquarter in Bukerere- Goma Division in Mukono District. The organisation's main activities are tailored at promoting quality and affordable **Education** to vulnerable community children, **Early Child Development programs, Vocational Training programs for the Youths, Livelihood/ Economic Empowerment to the Women, Human Rights awareness and advocacy, and Care and support to the elderly and sick community persons, Environment and Climate Change.**

**Our MISSION:** To enable community members attain Education and skills which can help them create employment, live a better and improved life and have a spirit of togetherness.

**Our Vision:** A community where people have good mindset for the best Life.

**Our Goal:** To train the local persons into skilled persons, improve their standards of living and create awareness to the community about religious, social and economic aspects.

**Our objectives are.**

1. *Create and provide access to affordable, quality primary education through development of the learning environments and programmes for vulnerable school going children.*
2. *To provide VOCATIONAL SKILLS training to grouped youths and women*
3. *Create and Provide Livelihood support projects to the trained youths and women*
4. *To provide Early Child Development programmes to the infants*
5. *To economically empower the women through livelihood support projects.*
6. *Provide care and support to vulnerable and aged persons in any possible ways and in reach of the organization*
7. *To positively change the mindset of people in the society.*

To find out more about us please click here to visit our website, <https://tatcoug.org>

## **2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

As an Organisation, it is our desire and has seen a necessity to bring updated and educative information written in books and online using computers connected to the internet to our community children and youths in Bukerere community Bukerere, Goma Division at large.

We have therefore identified the establishment of a Community library and computer laboratory targeting both pupils in the school and non formal school children and youths in Bukerere as an alternative option to this extension service.

## **3. PROJECT JUSTIFICATION**

### **Current situation**

Bukerere is in a rural setup, east of Kampala with over 9 villages and an ever increasing number of children.

The area has a few schools but none of them is equipped with facilities needed in teaching and training learners in an advanced and modern way today which still keep them lag behind in academics, poor performance on the national level exams compared to those in town and in well facilitated schools. The world is advancing technologically and we are in the 21<sup>st</sup> century which is an Information zone, this said is not yet possible in our Bukerere Rural community, children still acquire education in the old way which is caused by lack of access to written and illustrated literature, story books, digital research equipments and skills. This also in another way negatively affects the Youths and other community members in their bid to economic growth.

Because of this, TATCO Uganda has a plan to setup up a fully equipped and functioning center in Bukerere with a Book Library stocked with both academic and economics books, computer lab which will benefit the school going Children, Teachers and Youths in the community who will have a chance to learn, use and connect internationally in a digital way which will easy information flow and sharing among the beneficiaries.

## **4. OUR INTENT**

With the advancement of digital age and technological know-how, there is a necessity to keep people up to date progress in the world of information and integrating ICT in learning of the pupils, hence the need for community library and computer lab centre. The children and youth residing within our area of jurisdiction still languish in abject poverty. This has been attributed greatly to lack of information, lack of skills to execute a gainful venture, youth idleness and environmental pollution. It is our interest that the idea of a increasing the reading culture and information sharing with easy access to a library and computer lab will act as a catalyst to many of these challenges. The youth will learn on many important and viable projects that would see them generate income for themselves. Furthermore, as the saying goes, “there is power in knowledge”. The people will be developed intellectually hence can make informed decisions.

## **5. PROJECT OBJECTIVES**

- To promote a culture of reading among the school going children and other youths in the community.
- To equip children with extra information from the class. (Outside class tutoring)
- To improve literacy among the children in the community.
- To bring updated and educational information close to the people who might not under ordinary circumstances access such information.
- To improve children' performance in class and out of school in the community with free access to written literature.
- To align well with the new primary schools academic curriculum in Uganda that emphasizes practical teaching.
- To deliver learners with a learning experience in instructional technology.
- To provide opportunities for exchange of knowledge, innovation, digital entrepreneurship, social values and expertise through sharing of online resources by the pupils and other community members.
- To provide children and youths with computer skills which can at the end after school help them in the community for job creation and business management
- To make our pupils ready and able to compete with other learners in urban and developed schools in and outside Uganda.

## **6. EXPECTED OUTCOMES**

Some of the results to the indicators will be:

- The culture of reading among the pupils and other people in the community will be promoted.
- Pupils, teachers, and other community youths will be able to obtained updated information for their growth in knowledge.
- Enhancing traditional teaching through the use of ICT in excellence schools
- Facilitating blended learning within and across subject areas
- Creating and managing ever-present and interactive e-learning environments
- Beneficiaries will be empowered with relevant basic ICT skills to effectively compete in the academic and social world.
- Youths will be able to take up digital roles in homes and their community at large.

## **7. MAIN ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN DURING THE PROJECT SETUP**

A Community Library and Computer Lab project will involve furnishing of two rooms in a library design, create open and safe place for reading of books at our local organisation center in Bukerere, installation of needed furniture, books, computers and other ICT accessories, training of teachers and volunteers in Library and computer usage which knowledge and skills they will pass on day by day to the pupils and community youths with the help of the skilled, experienced and willing team of TATCO Uganda.

## 8. EQUIPMENTS AND ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE PROJECT

In order to effectively implement this program in the school and community at large, we need both tangible and intangible items which include:

- Books
- Computers and their accessories
- Furniture
- Software programmes
- Data projectors
- Internet server equipments and subscription
- Printers, Photocopiers and scanners
- Stationary
- Human Resource

## 9. PROJECT BUDGET ESTIMATE

Activity/Item	Quantity	Unit Price (Ugx)	Total Amount (Ugx)	Amount (USD)
Library furniture i.e Book shelves, Chairs and Reading tables	1 Room	2,000,000	2,000,000	\$540
Text Books	Full room	2,000,000	2,000,000	\$540
Computers (Desktops)	8	500,000	4,000,000	\$1,081
Computers (Laptops)	1	700,000	700,000	\$189
Data Projectors	1	1,000,000	1,000,000	\$270
Networking (including cables, routers D-Link, switch..)	1	300,000	300,000	\$81
Internet ( cost for one year)	12 months	150,000per month x12	1,800,000	\$486
Printer (Color and Black), scanner and Photocopier	1	1,500,000	1,500,000	\$403
Stationary (Papers and Tonners)	lumpsum	500,000	500,000	\$135
Human Resource Services	(Volunteers to support)			
<b>Project Grand Total</b>			<b>21,000,000/=</b>	<b>\$5,675</b>

## **10.METHODOLOGY OF WORK**

- Project location is at one of our community centers where the intended beneficiaries i.e the pupils and the youth are centralized and the home of our organization headquarters.
- The project will be managed by the Progressive Volunteers, TATCO education staff and teachers in support of qualified librarian and computer skills supervising the daily progress.
- Digital library with internet-connected computers for children and youth researchers.
- Library centre will be publicized adequately: sizable banners on strategic positions, posters, and announcements made in centers of worship e.g. church and mosques, local radio stations.
- Continued request for support from telecom companies in Uganda to provide free internet connections.
- TATCO's ability to pay for utility i.e electricity over time.

## **11. SUSTAINABILITY**

- TATCO Uganda and the Library administrators will ensure the proper maintenance of records (appropriate users registration, exit and return date of the books, recovery methodology).
- Full time librarian will be placed in the library and computer lab to ensure good care of the books and computers to oversee the orderly running of the facility.
- Quarterly meetings with the library administrators, youth leadership committee and other community leaders to check on the libraries' status.
- Minimal registration and evaluation fee to be charged on some of the professional researchers and internet users who are not part of the intended vulnerable local beneficiaries to ensure daily maintenance and project sustainability.

## **12. MONITORING AND EVALUATION**

The whole program will be under the supervision of a monitoring team and supported by documentation. The monitoring team will be appointed either by the funding agency or by our organization. The monitoring team will be selected so as to ensure community participation. There will be a Programs Manager to monitor the entire program and document the activities. An annual audit and evaluation will be in place for the budget and will have comments and the action through the budget.

### PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION WORK PLAN

PERIOD	ACTIVITY	EXPECTED IN PUT	EXPECTED OUT COME	RESPONSIBLE TEAM
October, 2024	Writing of the project proposal and gathering supporting documents	Stationary, typing services, transport and internet	A complete project proposal written and submitted to a donor for a grant approval	TATCO Uganda Team
December, 2024	Designing and furnishing of a building block, open and safe place for reading.	All building materials	A block of 2 rooms designed to be used a library and computer lab	Construction engineer and community youths
January, 2025 Week 1 & 2	Installation of all needed furniture, books and computers	Furniture, Text books, computers and all their accessories	The two rooms are fully furnished ready to be used by the intended beneficiaries	Finance Officer and Procurement Officer
February, 2025	Mobilization of intended beneficiaries	Publications  Local radio announcements  Local council meetings	Children and youths are mobilized an given a program on how to start using the facility for their library work and computer sessions.	Local Councils
February, 2025	Learners and facility users start to enjoy the facilities	Learners  Facility care takers	Learners start to use the library as programmed , computer training to the learners i.e Children and youth continues as programmed	Library attendant Computer Attendant/Trainer
April 2025	Setting up reading groups and competition in at the center	Time table and grouped learners	Learners develop the culture of reading in a competitive way	Education Officer and Teachers
April, 2024	Quarterly Monitoring and Evaluation of the Program	Stationary  Transport  Cameras	The M&E officers and other stakeholder monitors the progress of the programs and make recommendations and evaluation, write reports	M&E Officers
May 2024, continued...	Continuation of the use of the library and computer lab			



## Some images of TATCO Uganda and its community



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THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

## MUKONO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

P.O BOX 201 MUKONO MUNICIPALITY

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION/ RECOGNITION FOR THE COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATION (CBOS)

REGISTRATION NUMBER MMC/CBO/.....TATCO...../.....2118...../.....2022

*This is to certify that*

THE ANDTEX TRAINING AND CARE ORGANISATION

*Has been duly registered as*

**COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATION**

*and has certified this office with all necessary requirements. It is therefore authorized to perform its activities under the approved Operation and Guidelines for Civil Society Organizations in Mukono Municipality and the National Policy Guidelines.*

### Area of Operation

Division.....GOMA.....

21/05/2024

DATE OF ISSUE



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PRINCIPAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER