



Children Safe Uganda

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FIRST QUARTER REPORT 2018 (January to April)

PROJECT NAME:

NABBAALE INTEGRATED COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

LOCATION:

MAKUKUBA PARISH, NABBAALE SUBCOUNTY - MUKONO DISTRICT



***CSU PROJECT STAFF AND OUR PARTNERS AT FIELD
COORDINATION OFFICES IN KALAGI- NABBAALE***

Introduction:

It's our great pleasure to welcome you in this New Year 2018. We are very much blessed to have you as our partner in all the work we do and because of your trust in us, we have managed to reach far in the line of transforming the lives of vulnerable people. We are very glad to inform you about our first four months in this New Year 2018 and we promise you by the grace of God a lot will be done. To all our partners and Friends as project staff we pledge to you that in the year 2018, all the work will be done in line principles/ Values of CSU i.e.; ***God fearing, Transparency, Team work, Commitment to the Disadvantaged and Partnership.*** The project will be run in five departments as listed below.

1. The Child Development Department **Headed by** Andrew
2. The Spiritual Development Department **Headed by** Boris
3. The Education Development Department **Headed by** Meshach
4. The Youth Development Department **Headed by** Thomas
5. The Vocational Skills Development Department **Headed by** Justine
6. The Health and Community Development Department **Headed by** Herbert.

THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT.

ACTIVITY

1. Child Sponsorship and Aid support.

Children have been supported with tuition, exercise books, School Bags, Household Agricultural Economic support for sustainability, Home mattresses, after realizing that there are many children whose parents could not raise money to buy for them beddings and majority still on mats yet houses are muddy. We want to make sure that at least each child has a mattress and then we embark on beds. Though we supported some of them to acquire the beddings, but the problem is still big. Thank you dear supporters.



Supporting with School Bags



Supporting with Exercise Black books



Supporting with Home Beddings the mattresses



2. HOME VISITATION BY SPONSORS

Twenty (20) homes of the sponsored children were visited. Parents were advised to teach their children on home chores.

Several development ideas were shared with parents and some have started some small projects i.e. farming, animal raring, among others. The good news was that some homes parents informed us that their children are very active in home chores.

Child development Department aiming at creating a safe environment for children to live. As usual, we believe that *Our Children is Our Responsibility*.

Families have been empowered/sensitized on proper child growth, development and child rights and people have been responding positively.



Sponsors from USA on Home visit exercise to See the sponsored children



3. Food security and Economic empowerment for Poverty Eradication in Homes

One of our main goal is to ensure food security in homes to enable proper feeding of children. In addition, the program also target to eradicate poverty in households of vulnerable children as way of empowering such families to develop the capacity to providing basic necessities of life to their children. The program of commercial banana plantation is targeting 50 households but as a start, we have started with 15 households for sponsored children and as a result they were given 150 banana suckers in this first quarter of 2018. These were planted and now growing, we really thank our sponsors for the love and help; After launching this program many parents said; ***we now have to fight poverty out of our homes this is a great opportunity to us.***



Training parents for sponsored children in commercial banana plantation



Parents after receiving their Banana Suckers to eradicate themselves from poverty

4. Formation of Community Children's Groups and School Clubs:

Similarly like the parents with SHG groups, In this quarter in the same way the organisation has Formed 8 children's mutual groups (CMGs) from the 8 villages and with a total of about 300 children are met on a weekly basis. In these groups children are trained in Areas like Child Rights and Responsibilities, HIV/AIDS awareness, Self-control, Life skills as well as equipping them with capacity skills to report any form of Child Abuse cases in their areas to responsible stake holders. These CMGs once a month meets Parents groups and children are given platform to share out things that hurt them at home and more so those done by parents ignorantly. This relationship is yielding good team work as far as Child Protection matters are concerned in communities.



CSU staff in Group Counseling in schools



Drawing child's Dream in Holidays



AIDS awareness by our social worker.

THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT.

Introduction:

Community Department is focusing on general areas of community development with the objective of empowering community members to develop the capacity of managing development and rebuilding the broken community systems on their own. 10 groups of self Help were strengthened and the group size membership is between 10 to 20 members. Parents are empowered in several skills. The biggest challenge with this department is to have stable funding. We are aiming at empowering their projects that they have started and to be on a safe side, we need not less than \$1700 per month in order for these groups to realize a quick turn up in development. Our aim is to help them that themselves than being

dependants. This year most of the groups are focusing on planting Banana and Coffee plantations.

Over 1000 suckers of bananas, coffee seedlings have been given out to farmers. Since some land is very old, over 50 trucks of manure have been given to parents to fertilize their lands. Our focus is on ten groups of over 200 members and then later on after securing stable funding, we work on other homesteads.

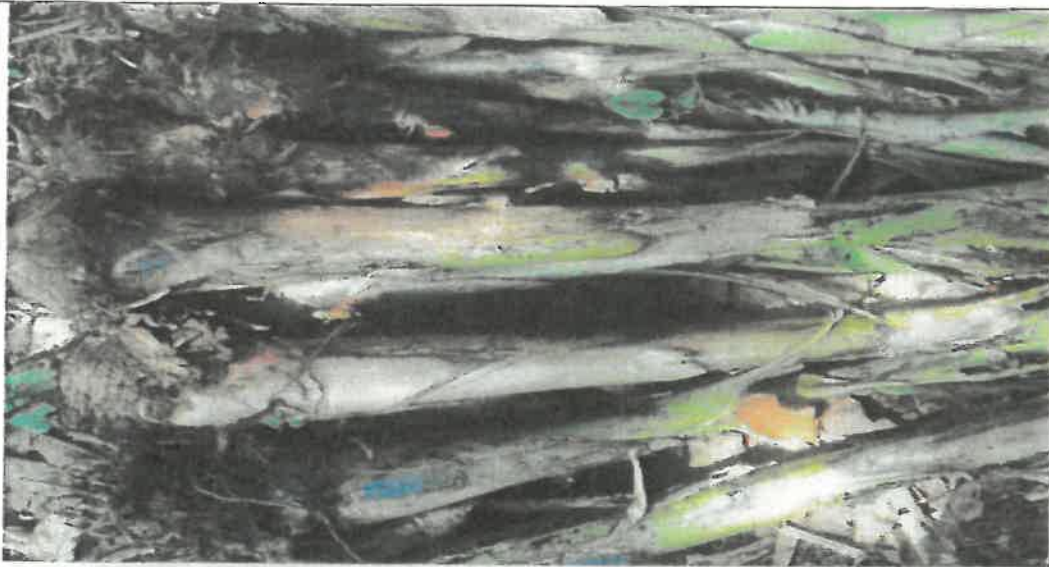


One of our Parents Group/ SHG in their Weekly Meetings.





Offloading Organic Manure from Vehicle Delivered Organic Manure at the Garden



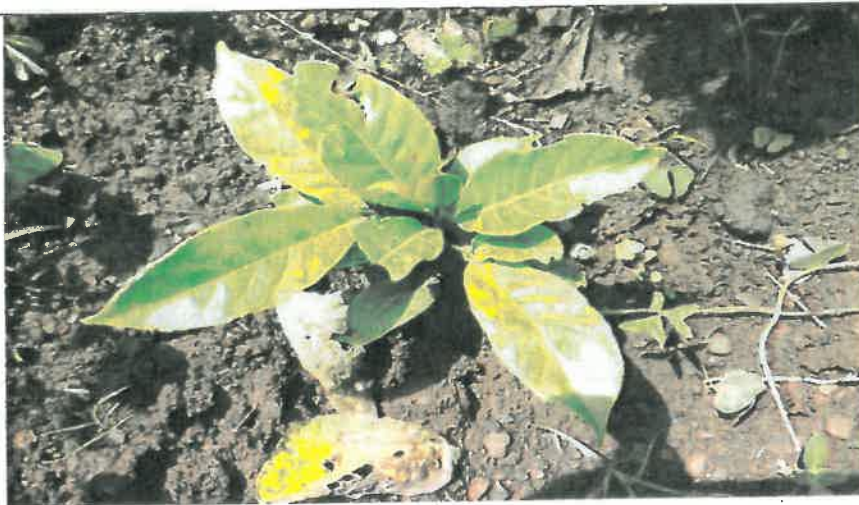
Some of the Banana suckers bought to be distributed among the parents Groups



Parents in Planting time



Growing Banana currently mixed with Reguminus crops



The current state of our coffee plants in the garden.



SUSTAINABILITY/EVALUATION:

As part of our sustainability plan, we formed an overall committee to help fellow members in different groups. The CSU staff spends more time with the committee and empower committee members with leadership skills and then the committee is expected to empower fellow members in their respective groups. Each SHG is represented on this committee and see details of the offices on this committee:

The Education Committees – This encourages parents to educate their children

1. **The Water and Sanitation** – Is to identify areas needs water, Protecting the available water sources and promoting sanitation in homes.
2. **The Child Rights committee-** This focuses on issues of protecting our children against cases of child Abuse and sensitizing parents.
3. **The Agro – Business, Development and Environmental committee** – This focusing on promoting food security, Sharing Business ideas, Raising Development plans and sensitizing communities on protecting environment with tree planting campaigns.
4. **The Marketing and Quality Assurance committee-** This ensures that markets is available for group members and good quality of items are produced. The committee further has a role of checking the quality of inputs to be supplied to their groups are of good quality.
5. **The finance committee** – This ensures proper control of resources in all SHGs



THE SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Objective of spiritual Development Department is to focusing on proper raising of our children through knowing God in our areas of operation. Under this department we do school outreach programs, formation of school bible clubs as preaching to both children and Adults through different ways. we carry out five days clubs in communities during the holidays in this we target the community children, we do preaching in church where we meet the elders/parents and in addition to that we do community outreach which has enabled us to meet mostly the old people who can't make it/ walk to church, we preach to them, help them with domestic work and to pray with them.



Children's church (Sunday School)

The number of children attending Sunday school increases in number each Sunday. The challenge we had was that most of the children used stay standing during Sunday service since they had nowhere to sit. We managed to buy 10 benches to enable Sunday school children to have safe environment to sit during their Sunday service.

CHALLENGE: We are praying that we have a shelter where they can worship from as of now they sit outside the church. When it rains, they miss their service but we are praying so that God opens a door for at least \$6000 to solve this problem.



The situation before without furniture.



The commissioning of furniture in church



THE CURRENT SITUATION IN SUNDAY SCHOOL SERVICE AT CHURCH.

A word from Sunday school children;

Thank you CSU to love us and for contributing to our happiness in Christ

1. CELEBRATING HOLY DAYS

CSU has played its role of making awareness to communities of our Areas of operation on how important it is to celebrate biblical holy days and there is great improvement in both the big church and the Sunday school. In this spirit the organisation together with our partners, this year 2018 we managed to celebrate the **Palm Sunday with the Christians of Makukuba community.**



HAPPY MOMENTS OF PALM SUNDAY CELEBRATION IN MAKUKUBA CHURCH.

2. GOOD FRIDAY.

This is the day Jesus Christ died on the cross for our sins, on this day we managed to teach our children the reason as to why Jesus Christ dies on the cross and the advantages to salvation. On the same day we managed to show a movie entitled *"Passion of Christ"* in the trading centre of Makukuba and many people were touched. When the movie is going on, on this day still we led people to Christ, our prayer is that God touch their lives and they start coming to church and for fellowship.



3. Prayers/Bible reading at school

Makukuba community is full of Satanic worships and most of the people used to believe that Satanic worship is the best for them. We thank God so much now people enjoy coming to church and devotions are running for both teachers and students in shared blessings junior school. We thank God because even some kindagaten children can now pray and lead their fellow student. Children are able to recite some bible verses and leading a prayer. Our focus is mainly on teachers so that are able to give what they already have and we are glad that they are interested in this too.



Our Pupils In The Class Morning Devotions With The CSU Staff.



CSU Staff With Teachers Of Shared Blessings In Morning Devotion At School.

THE HEALTH CENTER DEVELOPMENT **DEPARTMENT REPORT .**

Introduction:

It has been a desire of a community to have a medical health centre in the community so that people are able to access medical services since the nearest is 6 miles away. The journey for this started after the death of our friend Dr. Doug who was the board member of Shared Blessings Christian ministries in California, and ofcourse with the provision of containers that were donated by the Rotary club of Kasangati. We managed to fabricate the containers into a health centre which is to be in the names of **SHARED BLESSINGS HEALTH CENTER, Makukuba.**

KEY FINDINGS IN MAKUKUBA PARISH ON HEALTH:

1. Nearest Medical health center is in five miles away from the community.
2. Estimated monthly income per house is between \$2-40
3. 80% of the community men believe that they are not supposed to get t involved in home cores or child care. That task is for women.
4. 85% of community parents never tried to celebrate child/spouse birthdays i.e. even passing on a birthday card.
5. Over 45% of the men have more than one wife
6. 60% of community members see Malaria as the greatest sickness; HIV/AIDS and stomach problems rank the second at 26%
7. 60% of community people believe that the cause of their sickness is based on ignorance.
8. Over 80% get treated from village shops in the community. Note: Most of these people who sale drugs are primary school drop out!
9. Nearly 70% get water from ponds and unprotected wells yet only 9% treat drinking water.

10. Over 30% have no pit latrines and don't see the importance of latrines.
11. 82% don't wash hands after toilet use.
12. 85% have no idea on nutrition.
13. Over 50% have no idea on family planning or contraceptives.
14. Above 50% of the women deliver babies in communities with Traditional Birth Attendants (TBA). Becoming a T.B.As depends on how many children you have delivered.
15. Nearly 50% of community children never had any immunization.
16. Education, health facilities and economic empowerment are the greatest needs.

What has been done so far?

Land Leveling;

In this year the organisation started the work of constructing Health center by Leveling the ground. This exercise involved hiring strong Tractor to do the leveling.



2. Delivering of carggle Metalic container;

The organisation managed to lobby two 40 feet metallic containers from Rotary club of Kasangati which required some little payment ment to be paid by Children Safe Uganda. We have designed a plan of converting these containers into a community health center facility in Makukuba. Also in this quarter we have managed to hire a vehicle to lift these containers and place them in the established planed site.



Different stages of delivering the containers at the site.

3. The construction of the Health center.

The construction involved the stages of building the concrete slabs for which to be the ground base for containers to stand on. We further had to hire experts to to the metal fabrication of these containers and partioning.



Construction of concrete Foundation Base





PENDING AREAS TO FUND TO COMPLETE SHARED BLESSINGS HEALTH CENTER

1. Finishing stages like Painting
2. Health center Equipments
3. Solar power system
4. Water system
5. Furniture
6. Health workers.

EXPECTED SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED AT THE CENTER

1. Laboratory services/Testing
2. Maternity
3. Immunization
4. OPD services/ People with HIV
5. General health services
6. Dental services
7. *Cancer screening*

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EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REPORT BY CSU.



Introduction:

The Education Department is responsible at ensuring of smooth implementation of the following Responsibilities; proper school management of shared Blessings Junior school, Providing quality education to our children in communities of Makukuba and surroundings, Recruitment of qualified teaching staff, Maintaining the infrastructures and facilities made by partners of CSU among other duties. Below are our Ups and Downs in this first Quarter.

1. General School Management.

Generally a lot has been happening progressively to develop our school and to ensure our children in Makukuba gets quality Education. These include;

Academics: All pupils were fully taught throughout the term and their performance was greatly changed compared to that of last year 2017. There was continuous assessment in all cases and revision was given enough chances.

General Discipline Teachers: some teachers who have been misbehaving have been talked to. We also had some cases of children who have been misbehaving but all cases were managed internally or solved.

Capacity building of Teachers / Workshops in modern teaching methods:

Two Trainings for upper primary and Lower section about scheming and Reading were conducted. We give Glory to the Lord because our teachers achieved a lot in this workshop and it helped to improve on their methods of teaching.

Smartness by both our teaching staff and learners have respected a proper school dressing code throughout the first Term/ Semester. In this line almost 99% of our pupils have the school uniform, the sportswear and the shoes. Now our efforts are on encouraging them to get the school sweaters.



Our children in the new School uniform with a Sweater

Welfare: The school has managed to feed both learners and the staff with food. We thank all good friends who are able to donate for this cause and please accept our sincere appreciation because it's hard to teach a hungry child or to teach when you are hungry. Most of the children leave homes without any single meal yet they have to walk long distances to the school. They come rest assured knowing that at least reaching school, they are able to have breakfast and lunch.

The school garden is in progress as we planted maize and beans. The beans are now ready for harvest in May and maize is not yet. We expect better yields this season since we got enough rainfall and to contribute a lot to school feeding.

Challenges:

Most teachers are under paid since majority get between \$50-\$60 per month.

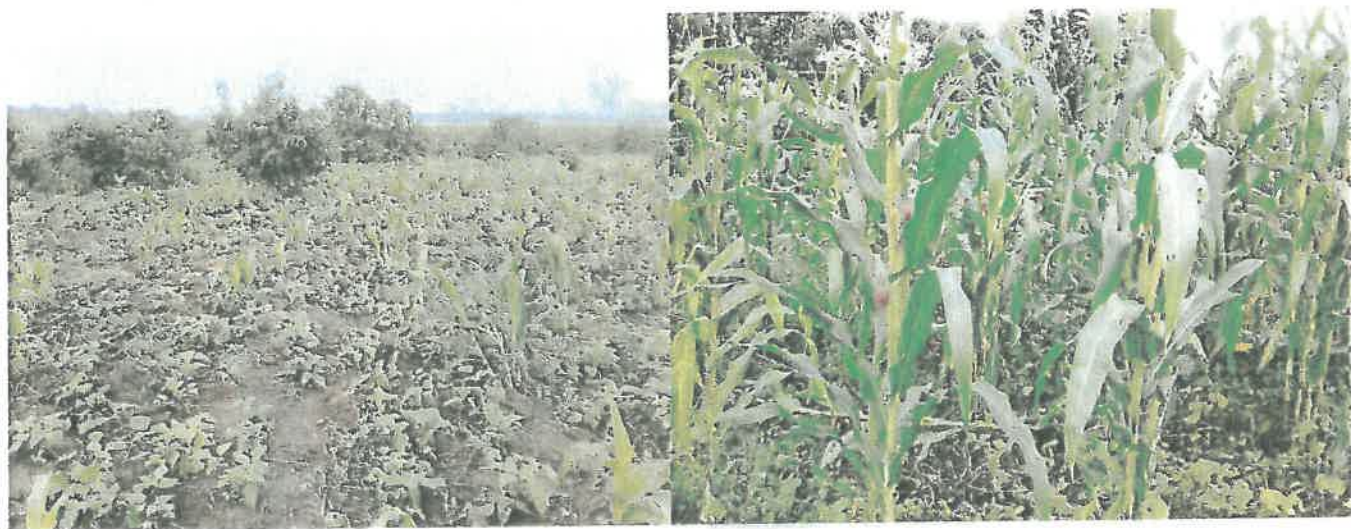
Some parents still don't value education and they expect the organization to do each and everything for them i.e. sending hungry children to school, children without clothes and shoes, with no stationary, sick children, among others. When they send them without all these, CSU comes to provide since when they are sent home, some of them drop out of school.



Pupils getting loafs of Bread at Break time



Our children lining up for Lunch to get a meal



The school garden on 4 Acres of land

THE VOCATIONAL SKILLS DEPARTMENT REPORT.

We give glory to the lord because we managed to officially open the vocational skills center to provide skills to youths, especially the school dropout. It was a memorable day to all those who attended the function as our pioneer students exhibited their skills and talents in tailoring. It

was a great opportunity since even part of our funding team was available on this day of 24th. January. 2018.

The skills center has been designed to provide the following business skills in the first Phase;

1. Shoe making
2. Book Making
3. Tailoring
4. School Bag making
5. Building and Construction





The moment on the official opening of the skills Development center



Some of the Beneficiaries with the Sponsors in A group photo with their Certificates



Tree planting of officiate the day.