

PROGRESS REPORT OF KIBURANGA

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

From way back when Kiburanga started, there has been a significant and tremendous improvements. The organization is bigger than expected and the number of members grew from 38 to 98 according to Silvia's report. Members are more focused and wholly committed in converting the organization objectives into tangible results. We put our goals into short-term and long-term as follows:

SHORT TERM GOALS

1. *Plant trees at the centre*
2. *Fencing of the land*
3. *Brick making*
4. *Buy bulls*
5. *Poultry farming*
6. *Maize and beans farming*
7. *Bee keeping*
8. *career guiding*
9. *FGM awareness*
10. *Guiding and counseling*

LONG TERM GOALS

1. *Build a resource centre*
2. *Building a rescue centre*
3. *Computer and cyber café*
4. *Water project*
5. *Fund raising to establish the centre*
6. *Solar panel installation*
7. *Create employment opportunities*
8. *Sponsorship for needy students*
9. *Bursaries*
10. *Establish a renowned cultural centre*

WHAT WE HAVE DONE

1. Plant trees at the centre

- Our main objective was to plant approximately 500 tree in a period of six months, but we managed to plant 156 trees during the month of October 2010
- It is one step for the plant the future initiative of KWSHG

2. Brick Making

- The project is an income generating activity to the organization, through donation from Alberto and Rocio.
- Currently we are making 10,000 bricks to generate an Income of approximately Ksh 45,000 to establish a school starting January 2010.

3. Poultry Farming

- It was started in Dec 2009 through fundraising and fines collected from the members. A total of Ksh of 2,600 were raised.
- As per now the organization has a total of 31 chicken

4. Beans and maize project

- This is a seasonal project done twice a year and the farming is done the members themselves.
- Without use of fertilizer, we normally harvest 5 and 2 bags of maize and beans respectively
- The output we get, some portion sold to generate income and the remaining used as food to the old and needy individuals in the community

5. FGM Awareness/guiding and Counseling

- During meetings, some women for guiding and counseling to their kids especially daughters who intend to undergo Female genital mutilations a result of external pressure. The year 2009, KWSHG youths did some counseling for grade 7 and 8 in Kiburanga primary school, they spoke about the effects of the act to their health and how to respect decisions made by other people.
- It was a response to Lucy Boke's need as she was undergoing frustrations and discrimination at school based on her stand against FGM.
- In December and January 2010, a student from DEWPAUW UNIVERSITY in USA will visit Kiburanga to conduct an independent study, on what the cultural importance of FGM. She is from Kenya and a Kurian, but she grew up in Nairobi as she was afraid of being forced into FGM and discrimination in upcountry. So she is back for answers!

NB Out of ten short-term goals, we have managed to accomplish five of them

LONG TERM GOALS WE HAVE DONE

1. Temporal Resource centre

- The organization has a land bought by Croatian volunteer at a cost of Ksh 75,000
- We have not yet established to respond to the needs of the community.
- Through collective efforts from the 26 volunteers, 11 from Spain and 15 from different parts of Kenya in the August 2010 work camp, we managed to establish temporal resource centre to shelter women and Kids from strong sunshine and rain during meetings.

2. Water Project

- Through donations from SCI- Madrid and some portion from the fees paid by the volunteers during August 2010 work camp, a water tank worth Ksh 95,000 with a capacity of 10,000 litres was installed to provide clean and safe water to the community from rain water.
- In addition, during the same work camp a water tank made from cement was constructed at the stream which has a continuous flow of water. The objective of this project is to provide safe water. The stream provides a permanent source of water compared to rain water which is seasonal

3. Employment Opportunity

- KWSHG has created jobs based on wages to the members of the community in various ways, for instance it employed a plumber during August 2010 work camp in a period of three weeks contract and currently two experts are employed to make bricks for the organization.
- The main objective of this department is to offer job opportunity to people for them to support their dreams and goals.
- We look forward to working with any organization or an individual with strategic plans on how to create jobs to people.

4. Sponsorships For Needy Children

- KWSHG has 63 orphans of which most of their parents died of HIV/AIDS. Most women are single parents since their husbands died as a result of cattle rustling with the Maasai.
- Some of the young children assume responsibilities of their parents by taking care of the siblings and maintain them in school. They drop from schools to pave way for their young brothers and sisters.
- The current problems of the world, terrorism, poverty, overcrowded jails, gangs, prostitutions, unemployment, HIV/Aids etc is as a result of our children innocence taken away from them.
- This is a very sensitive area and speed of the essence.
- As a result of August 2010 work camp, a volunteer by the name Rosa Pellcer got interested in sponsoring a child by the name Sophia starting January 2011. Let us join our hands together in supporting such initiative.

5. *Links*

- Through Silvia, KWSHG has a direct link with SCI-Madrid to send International Volunteers to the grass root organization.
- One objective of work camps is to promote intercultural exchange that is between different communities.
- According to evaluations made by the volunteers including the Auditors from SCI, the camp was a success and we are only required to prove it once more!

OTHERS

- KWSHG had some management challenges as a result of rapid growth of the organization, but this was solved in time and collectively by both local in International volunteers.
- Alberto the treasurer of SCI-Madrid together with Rocio gave out some training on management, financial and effective decision making to Kiburanga staff. By use of both counter books and excel computer program.

FUTURE PLANS

1. *Start a school*

- As a result of the increase in the number of Kids in Kiburanga Play ground interested in learning and playing games, we intend to start a school by January 2011.
- KWSHG has a plan of doing fundraising in December 2010 to support the project.

2. *Buy Bulls*

- We intend to buy two bulls for farming as this will save time and cut the costs of the organization.

3. *Stock The Library*

- Kuria district is the second poorest when it comes to education in Kenya and by stocking a Library we will create the spirit of learning to the members of the community. This will make us compete to the rest of the world for better jobs etc.
- All members shall be asked to send a book with any kind of information be it Health materials, education, animals, rocks, politics, management, leadership etc.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- i. Help convert the above goals into tangible results
- ii. Provide with advice or new ideas
- iii. Link us with other organizations
- iv. Come and visit KWSHG
- v. Donations

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