

**LOVE BINTI  
International  
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Report**

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## Introduction

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Since 2018 Love Binti International (LBI) has tirelessly worked with communities to improve livelihood and social wellbeing. Within eight (8) months of operation, over 4000 people were blessed with access to clean safe water through our Living water program, LBI has also dealt with the issue of school dropouts due to menstrual issues by training over 60,000 women and girls the art of reusable pads making as well as Menstrual hygiene. Several lives have been improved through our shoes for life program, kuku/organic farming program and the container school program.

This report summarizes the achievements, challenges and the way forward for Love Binti in the period January - March 2019.

### General Objective for 2019

To create an environment of sustainable livelihood and improved social wellbeing among the less privileged men, women and children in the most remote areas of Uganda.



## Programs

### Living Water

Living water projects seek to provide safe and clean water to communities that have challenge with safe and clean water. More than 50% of the population particularly in remote areas of the country have very limited or completely no access to clean. And this explains our goal. Through this program LBI has been able to provide clean water to areas such as Nampologoma in Mbale and Muvo in Mukono district between January and March 2019.

No	Bore hole	District	Population	GPS location	Status
1	Nampologoma	Mbale	2000	0°57'23.7"N 34°02'26.4"E	Complete
2	Muvo Village	Mukono	1400	0°05'39.3"N 32°40'09.2"E	In Progress
3	Kiziru	Mukono	1200	0°04'59.2"N 32°39'34.6"E	In Progress



## Love Binti

Love Binti project aims at building and elevating self-esteem, standard of living and financial independence of women and girls in remote areas in Uganda through Menstrual Health trainings, tailoring and sewing skills and reusable pad making skills.

Within the first Quarter of 2019, Love Binti has worked with schools, churches and communities to empower the women and girls with sewing skills in tailoring, pad making skills, entrepreneurship and communication as a way to improve their livelihood. 28,859 women and girls have acquired menstrual health knowledge and the pad making skill, and 75 young women have attained tailoring skills as described in the table below.

### 1. Tailoring Training Centers

Centres	In-take	No of Trainees	Status
Makerere University	LB-KLA-MAK 13	25 participants	Waiting Graduation
	LB-KLA-MAK 14	25 Participants	In progress
MARINA Lira	LB-LIRA-FEB	25 Participants	Waiting Graduation
<b>Total</b>		<b>75 participants</b>	

### 2. Reusable pad Training Workshop

workshops	No of seed teachers	Outings	No of trainees in 3 Months
Kisugu	10	198	9,787
Kaberamaido	10	180	9,717
Nebbi	10	180	9,355
<b>Total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>28,859</b>



*Tailoring Program in Makerere University*



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## Shoes for Life

Shoes for life project looks forward to providing shoes to rural people in the communities where jiggers/ tunga penetrans have affected people's feet and hindered their academic progress. The project therefore, aims at providing at least a pair of shoes to school going children in these remote and diseases affected areas. With this comes the aspect of social enterprise whereby we help the beneficiary groups improve on their livelihood through starting up small business using the products of shoes, clothes and or bags that we donate to them in order to earn a living and be able to sustain their lives and take care of their families.

On the 2nd-March-2019 we received a 40ft container with 1,100 bags of both clothes and shoes for the 2019 shoes for life project. We have been able in the last one month to distribute 135 bags of clothes to four different beneficiary groups as show in the table below.

No	Beneficiary Group	Location	Product	No of bags Issued
1	Victorious Women Mission	Kyenjojo	Clothes	9 bags
		Kyenjojo	Shoes	4 bags
2	Victory Family Centre	Kakira	Clothes	80 Bags
3	Bugema Community	Mbale	Clothes	22 bags
4	Living Gospel Ministry	Hoima	Clothes	20 bags
	<b>Total</b>			<b>135 Bags</b>



## Organic Farming/ Kuku

With Organic farming we aim at creating a network of local farmers equipped with non-chemical and sustainable farming skills in order to build a healthy community of people who can use little resources in agriculture to sustain themselves and be able to provide a living to their families.

We have been able to establish a 54 beds vegetable garden as a project development strategy to be able to have a reference when we are training the community. We have also built rabbit house since simple survey shows that the increased number of Asians in the country has increased demand of rabbit meat, we therefore intend to venture into rabbit keeping as a startup to introduce rabbit keeping in the community of Lulagwe, Muvo, Kiziru and other nearby villages all intended to create more financial business opportunities for the locals.

To be able to follow up and to monitor the progress on organic farming in a more convenient and reliable working environment in the village we are setting up a workstation/guest house (Mukono Campus) with better facilities like solar power, camping tents, flash toilets, and a pump water supply. This facility will act as a workstation and accommodation place even for the volunteers who come for the Love Binti projects.

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## Challenges

1. The Living Water project has faced a monopoly challenge with the contractor resulting into delayed project completions.
2. The community involvement has been a challenge where by the communities are not willing to take-up direct financial responsibilities in maintaining the wells after drilling and installation.
3. Undertaking multiple water projects at the same time has been a challenge even with funds available because we only use one contractor whose capacity management is insufficient to undertake more than one projects at once.
4. Insufficient funds to undertake the entire scope of the pad training projects forcing us to narrow and reduce the scope of the Project.
5. High financial expectations from collaborative partners which do not meet the budgets of the organization hampering the good relations with partners resulting in demoralization of partners.
6. Having more clothes than shoes in the container affects the flow of The shoes for life project since the dispatch of shoes was planned for earlier.
7. The challenge of limited budgets is also affecting the swift progress of other projects like Organic farming.

## Next...

1. Involve more contractors in the water project to enhance competition and improve service delivery.
2. Involve the District NGO monitoring committee on our plans to work in the district.
3. Get endorsement letters from local leaders of areas where LBI work/activities that benefit communities have been done.
4. Non collaborative Partners should be terminated and we look for partners who can buy in to our vision.
5. Identify and open up new training centers to replace the non-collaborative partners.
6. Provide sufficient budgets to facilitate all the projects.

## Financial Statement

The following statement shows total income and expenditure between the months of January and March and the distribution of financial resources among the different programs.

一月- 三月 Jan. - Mar.	收入 Income	支出 Expenditure
Balance from LB Last quarter 上年度餘額	\$7, 512	
Funds from Taiwan 台灣匯款	98, 000. 00	
Total Income	\$105, 512	
各項花費 Projects Expenditure		
Love Binti 愛女孩		-\$21, 612
Living Water 活水+Step30 舊鞋+Village Transformation 偏鄉翻轉		-\$47, 262
Organic Farming 養兔農耕		-\$1, 271
Container Project 興學計畫		-\$7, 005
Total Expenditure 總支出		-\$77, 149
Balance 餘額		\$28, 363