



Kazuramimba Catchment Conservation and Education (KACCE)

Annual Activities Report 2022

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BRIEF SUMMARY FROM THE COORDINATOR

The year 2022 was characterized by the scourge of the COVID 19 in the well-known global world crisis worsened with other pandemics and disasters, including the HIV/AIDS and Climate Change.

Kazuramimba Catchment Conservation and Education (KACCE), is a social and Community-Based Organization, serving where the populations were not spared during that period of the pandemic, when our activities were affected and some of them postponed to date.

However, major achievements have been made and certain goals achieved. This report therefore, examines the substantial areas the projects, programs and activities that KACCE carried out for the year 2022.

I hope that this report will provide adequate and sharing reflection on sectors such as health, climate change, deforestation, biodiversity and education which have been threatened by the global crisis, particularly in Western Tanzania where our Organization KACCE is carrying out its activities.

All information and data used in this report comes from Evaluation surveys of KACCE projects and the local communities served by KACCE.

On behalf of the Board of KACCE, I would like to thank all our partners who supported us and helped carrying out some of our activities, including local populations, beneficiaries, local governmental authorities and also all KACCE Staff.

The Coordinator,

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BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY PRESENTATION

INTRODUCTION:

WHAT IS KACCE?

Kazuramimba Catchment Conservation and Education (KACCE) is a non-profit, voluntary organization established by local community and registered under the Community Based-Governmental Organization Policy No. KDC/CBO/051/2012 On October 09th, 2012 to operate in the Kigoma District Council, currently subdivided by the Uvinza District and the former Kigoma District, both located in Mainland of Tanzania.

KACCE is committed to providing a local platform to carry out and promote both environmental improvement sustainability and practical conservation, to educate, encourage and support the local population on Environmental practices, Art and culture development, Education, Water supply and Community livelihoods by working with and for the target communities.

"KACCE strives to fight poverty, global warming, environmental and cultural degradation in the rural and peri-urban areas so as to promote health and well-being of the residents of the area and to work together as residents regardless of age, ethnic origin, ability, sex, belief or political affiliation recognizing the value of our many differences.'

WHY KACCE WAS FORMED: VISION, MISSION & OBJECTIVES

Our Vision

To become the Center of Excellence of envisage society with a clean and safe environment that can benefit all citizens equally and in a sustainable way.

Our Mission

To be the best provider of opportunities for acquisition, development, promotion, dissemination and preservation of knowledge, skills and services in environmental conservation, education, water and sanitation, livelihood with a gender, human rights based on a participatory approach for contributing to poverty alleviation initiatives.

Our Objectives:

Main Objective:

The overall objective of KACCE is to conserve the environment and to improve livelihoods in local communities with a gender, human rights and community based organization integration through participatory approach.

Specific Objectives:

To enable and support communities, provide justice and integral human development so as to lift people from the grassroots level to immediate and active participation in improving the environment and natural resources, education for all and livelihoods to the benefit of the communities.

WHAT WE DO:

KACCE empowers and works with the community in terms of organization to;-

- Improve health and availability of safe and sustainable water at rural schools and underserved communities
- To provide education towards beneficial environmental protection
- To increase households income and economic activities by providing entrepreneurship skills,
- To promote community sensitization for improvement of environmental and practical conservation
- Reduce malnutrition and food insecurity that cause irreparable damage to livelihoods, thereby reducing self-sufficiency through introducing sustainable food security and livelihoods improvement initiatives.
- Build the capacity of small local groups, like women groups, youth groups, children groups and disabled groups in better management practices, service delivery etc.
- To enhance education and skills training access to youth and adults to promote employment opportunities.
- To promote and advocate for cultures diversity and exchange to enhance inter-communities education and exchange, by strengthening the participation involving vulnerable groups (child, women and youth) in organization and partners' programs.

KACCE's FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATION PERSPECTIVE

At KACCE, our pledge is to maintain effective outreaches by being good stewards of the resources entrusted to us. We have a responsibility to maintain integrity and transparency in our financial practices. Therefore, we are committed to fulfilling the following standards:

- We are governed by a responsible democratically elected Board of Members. Our Board establishes policies, sets budgets, oversees operations and reviews organizational accomplishments.
- Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- We obtain an Annual Audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards by an independent and certified Public Accounting Company.
- Our Board appoints an Internal Audit Committee to review the annual Financial Accounts and tax filings.

At KACCE, accountability and transparency are an integral part of everything we do. From every purpose restricted donation, KACCE's Board of Members may allocate a certain percentage (%) of that donation to cover its administrative and fundraising costs. If restricted donations exceed the need of the crisis, the capacity to respond to a crisis and/or when local conditions prevent effective assistance, KACCE's Board of Members may allocate these funds to other worthy projects that help KACCE fulfill its global mission of helping undeserved community in need.

PROGRAMMING REPORT

From the "Five-year Strategic Plan 2018 – 2022", the programmed activities resulted from the following six program areas as following:-

- Environmental Education
- Education Support to vulnerable children
- Youth and Women empowerment
- Environment and Natural Resources Conservation
- Health and Sanitation

The report examines these programs headings. Under each main programme heading are projects and areas of activity relating to that programme.

PROJECTS

a) Environmental Education:

This project-programme is implemented in ten primary schools from 5 villages of Kazuramimba ward. All of the thousands of students involved in the Eco-Schools' Clubs programme have been very busy at the ending 2022. They have worked hard to improve their schools, communities, lifestyles, and environmental impact by managing Trees Nurseries and trees planting at school grounds, managing the schools' orchards. Students and schools /teachers around across Kazuramimba ward are more committed than ever to the programme and more invested in its campaigns. Along with high dedication of Eco-Schools Teachers, the programme has managed to inspire more students than ever before to engage in the protection and preservation of their environment.

b) Education Support to Vulnerable:

Through support from KACCE Members (Special contributions) and revenues from KACCE Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training program, about 250 vulnerable children have received support of school materials (uniforms, shoes, bags, books & exercise books, pens and pencils). This project-program aimed to campaigning for increasing enrolment and retention in school of poor and vulnerable children (7-14 years) from nomadic rural farmers, hunters, beekeepers and charcoals makers' families in Ikubulu, Chakulu, Mpeta and Mazungwe villages in Uvinza district.

c) Youth and Women Empowerment program:

In partnership with **Tanganyika Youth Economy Development Group and Coordinating Council**, KACCE has developed and run an Ongoing Training Skills and Production Workshop self-reliance and economic empowerment on Oil Palm Soaps Making, Production and Marketing.

About **15 Jobless Youths** and **10 Widows** involved in the programs. After graduation they have received in-kind starting materials and equipment capital to form and start their own Community Based-Enterprises (CBEs). The program is auto-funded by the revenue from the selling of soaps made and sold during the training sessions/periods.

d) Environment and Natural Resources Conservation:

The Programme continued to facilitate the participation of the local community members in the understanding the Environment and Forestry sectors' policies and their role to play for mitigating the climate change control. Two major activities were conducted in 2022 as:-

- 1) Campaign education and awareness creation for the Protection and Conservation of the "Village Land Forest Reserves" (VLFRs) in Kazuramimba and Uvinza wards. Among principal measures taken result the formation and training of Volunteers' VLFRs Rangers and Guards. But due to limited sources of funds, this program/project requires external funding to support VLFRs Rangers and sustain their activities.
- 2) Campaigning for Native Trees Species resistant to climate change to be planted for the reforestation and rehabilitation of degraded areas in and around the VLFRs. The first have been made by training of villagers and forestry officers on the Collection and Conservation of Seeds of Native trees, Creation of Native trees' Seeds bank at the village level.

e) Health and Sanitation:

In order to ensure long lasting health benefits brought by improved water supply, environmental sanitation is part and parcel of domestic water supply. Two activity components have been initiated and are on-going:-

1) Health Support to Children Infected by AIDS:

- **Targeted:** - Children Living with HIV/AIDS; - Children Infected by HIV/AIDS; - Children from families infected by AIDS; and - AIDS Orphaned Children and their Caregivers as generally Grandmothers.
- **Children/Beneficiaries reached:** - 112 Children and 25 Grandmothers.
- **Activities done/achieved:** - Distribution of School materials; - Food for balanced diets; - Clothes; - Hygienic materials (soaps, body oil, tooth pastes, pads...), etc.

2) Water and Sanitation Improving:

This program has been carried out by supporting the small community of Kidea village to repair and protect the village water spring and by making a fence and sensitizing the community to elaborate and adopt bylaws for protecting it. The activity has been handed over to the Village Government for monitoring.

CHALLENGES

Upon implementation of activities, different challenges arose, and emerged as following.

- 1) Lack of means of transport facilities, and;
- 2) Lack of reassured and secured sources of funds.

WAY FORWARD

The way forward is to develop the income throughout the KACCE Five Year Strategic Plan 2023 – 2027, from the lessons learnt: successes, threats and challenges encountered from the past Five Year Strategic Plan 2017 - 2022.

THANKS & END

