

# MUHOKYA FARMERS COOPERATIVE SOCIETY UNION (MUFACOS)



## Mission:

Economically empowered farmers able to eradicate poverty and hunger in households

## Vision:

To ensure improved farmers livelihood and standards of living through capacity building and support

## HISTORY

Muhokya Farmers Cooperative Savings Union (MUFACCOS) was founded in March 2010 by a group five coffee farmers from Muhokya sub-county led by Mbusa Raphael. The name MUHOKYA is drawn from the name of the sub-county in which the organization and its founder members live in. They had the aim of improving their personal and household level economic incomes through collective sale and marketing of their produces especially coffee. They formed Muhokya Farmers Cooperative Union in order to have a greater and influential bargaining power in their majorly coffee and other agricultural produce that they would produce over time. Since its formation the founder members have mobilized up to 50 (31 females and 19 males) members to date who are fully registered shareholder in the organization.

## PROGRAMS

Marketing, processing and value chain in agricultural products

SACCO Development

Gender and Women Empowerment



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**B**usiness and Income Generating Activities (IGA's) development.

**E**nvironmental protection, health and HIV AIDS awareness



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## CHALLENGES

Limited skills and knowledge in organizational management and leadership among staffs and board

Limited competency in funds mobilization

Limited knowledge and skills in effective rural cooperative financing and loans management

Limited access to market linkages, networks in the discipline of cooperatives and rural loans schemes

## OUTCOMES

Purchased and owns a functional coffee miller machine for coffee processing.

Formation of community SACCO scheme with 50 active members with accumulative savings of three Millions one hundred and fifty thousand shillings (UGX: 3, 150,000=)

Secured an organizational capacity building partnership with FCDE

Recruited four volunteer staffs and able to motivate their efforts in operation.

Established an accessible and operational office

Registered at the national level as a cooperative union

Increased the number of active members up to 50 people (31- female and 19 -males)

