

RRHS

Rwenzori Rural Health Services

KASESE,
UGANDA



RRHS's mission is to contribute towards raising the living standards of the rural communities by extending health care services near to the people.

History

Rwenzori Rural Health Services is a Community Based Organization (CBO) with offices in Kasese municipality and projects in Rukooki Sub County. It started in 2005 and is dedicated to providing health care services to people in the rural areas. RRHS's vision is for every household to have all the health amenities,

acceptable health records and reduced morbidity and mortality rates in the community.

-To help the community to develop a sense of self recognition and get empowered to exercise their rights

Objectives

- To promote rural health services
- To sensitize the community to development issues

Core Values

- Commitment
- Transparency
- Volunteerism

FCDE will partner with RRHS to help build their capacity

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RRHS works in communities in the rural areas where health services are not easily accessible. In these communities, accessibility to clean water is also a problem, so their main focus is moving these services nearer to the people.



Health Centre Establishment

RRHS has begun the construction of a Health Centre and laboratory in Rukooki Sub County. The community in the area provided the land where the Centre is being constructed and the construction up to the roofing level was funded by NASS, a Dutch organization.

Rain Water Tanks

Under this program, implemented in Kigoro parish, Rukooki Sub County, the organization has constructed rain water harvesting tanks in the community. These tanks were constructed in people's homes and the project was funded by Belgium

Development Cooperation. A total of 32 rain harvesting tanks were constructed in 32 homes in this community.

Water and Sanitation

This project includes the construction of gravity water flows and spring protection. It has been implemented in Nyakabingo parish, Rukooki Sub County where a mini gravity flow source was constructed. The project was funded by Volunteers without boundaries-USA. Under this program, the organization also conducted sensitization meetings in the community on how to maintain the water source clean, sanitation in homes and how to protect springs wells.

RRHS Challenges

1. Funding

The organization lacks a source of sustainable funding to employ full time staff and there are limited resources to allow the volunteers to reach the communities.

2. M&E

RRHS has a lack of skills and systems to monitor and evaluate program impact.

3. Resources

Lack of funds to complete construction of the health Centre and also to buy drugs to start operation.

4. Marketing

The staff and board members lack the capacity to mobilize resources to sustain the organization stably beyond funded projects.

5. Demand

There is a high demand for the water tanks in this community and in the neighboring community.

FCDE Support

FCDE will help to increase the capacity of RRHS by providing access to the FCDE resource center, through the use of its grant program, and by providing training sessions and workshops built to improve the structure and governing of non-governmental organizations such as RRHS.