

# Rukungiri Civil Society Forum (RUKCSOF)



## Vision:

To have a strong and vibrant Civil Society organizations' forum that can enhance civic expression and promote citizens participation to hold duty bearers accountable for positive socio-economic transformation.

## Mission:

To have a district leading apex body and collective voice for Civil Society member organizations operating in Rukungiri District.

## HISTORY

Rukungiri Civil Society Forum (RUKCSOF) was started in 2003 as a district Civil Society forum. It is registered with the National NGO Board under Reg.NO 9117. The main purpose of coming together was to build a strong collective voice of all Civil Society organizations of Rukungiri district to be able to engage with the government and other stakeholders in the process of decision making and the socio-economic development activities. The forum as an umbrella member organization, it forms a representative apex that is mandated to participate in the District local government level discussions and engagement, and to represent the interests of CBOs, and group associations.

## PROGRAMS

Human Rights and Governance: Under this program, RUKCSOF in partnership with ACODE conducts the local government scored card while in governance RUKCSOF work in partnership with Kick Corruption Out OF Kigezi in monitoring the performance of the national programs of priority areas (Primary Health care, rural roads, universal primary education, agriculture, water and sanitation) to ensure efficiency and effectiveness as per the national standards service delivery. RUKCSOF work hand on hand with the CBOs and groups association in the Sub Counties.



## CHALLENGES

Limited funds for program implementation and meeting organizational admin costs

Low levels of community initiatives

Political interference and the manipulation of citizens in the ant-corruption activities by politicians

## ACHIEVEMENTS

RUKCSOF has managed to mobilize citizens to access the services provided by the government in the government program priority areas both quantitatively and qualitatively.

Corruption has been minimized in service delivery

Increased citizen awareness about the national service delivery standards

