



PAUTHO VISION FOR WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

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END OF YEAR REPORT, 2021

Introduction

We are presenting the summary of activities that were carried out in the year 2021, we thank the almighty God for enabling us to have a successful year together and as a team we write this report consisting of challenges we faced as a group, achievements we encountered as a team and some of the way forward we came up with as a group

Achievements

In the year 2021, we visited all our beneficiary groups (approximately 40 groups) and individuals in all parishes and the following are the observations.

There is gradual progress in the income generating projects of our beneficiaries and hence observable improving standards of living among our members. Some members like Kharono Mary among others were able to construct permanent houses and others like were able to complete their incomplete houses, others were able to buy pieces of land like Khabuya Suzan from Kyemula Ramba Nabbi Group out of the profits they are earn from their new projects which they started with our soft loans.

We noticed solidarity among our beneficiary members. There is a spirit of togetherness; some members are carrying out joint businesses for example, Mutonyi Agnes and Betty Malongo both from Bumaena Byosi binyalikha Development association are running a joint tailoring business project in Bumakika trading Centre. Nandutu Sarah and Nambuya Alice they are also running a

tailoring shop in Mausii village, Bumaena parish. Some members extend all kinds of support to one another in time of need more so when one loses his/her beloved one.

It's also of great news that as we moved in the community the whole of 2021, we realized that some of our members have started creating job opportunities for the community and rendering more nearby services to their community hence development to the whole area not to an individual.

And what we have loved most about our members is that as they are being helped by PAUTHO to develop and improve their ways of living, they also extend a helping hand to other people in the community by training the young boys and girls who are interested in different kinds of projects to attain some skills like tailoring and hair dressing which is more development to the community.

Some members are dealing in horticulture that's to say, growing of fruits and vegetables. These members who are growing tomatoes, cabbage, eggplants and collard greens (sukuma wiki) are consistently earning more money and hence improving their livelihoods through profits gained.

Our beneficiaries are involved in different kinds of income generating activities like dealing in produce, groceries, farming, local brews, bricklaying, tailoring among others, and in doing so they are earning a living and extending services to their communities hence improving standards of living.

There are great testimonies among our clients, they are always testifying about PAUTHO loans as being the best grant ever in their lives.

Loan Recoveries

We humbly report that throughout the year 2021, we were able to recover most of the money from our beneficiary members at their willingness to repay their soft loans so that they can be in position to access new loans from the organization more so to those who had cleared their previous soft loans and allow new members to access soft loans since this is a revolving fund.

There is Teamwork, good working relationship and co-operation amongst our beneficiaries in their respective groups in relation to recovering their soft loans from our organization since most of them their incoming generating projects are doing well according to our observations.

Loan Disbursement

Since loan disbursement is our major activity amongst others, we were able to disburse of some money to some new and old groups that applied after clearing their previous loans as reported earlier in our monthly reports.

The coverage so far is moving on steadily as we are remaining with only two parishes out of seven to cover.

We should also let the team know that while we are working hard to improve the lives of the needy people in the community by giving them soft loans, we also render these services to our staff members both in Kwa moyo and PAUTHO which helps them also to sustain their lives.

Challenges

The outbreak of COVID 19 virus in the country and world at large, that led to drastic some measures such as lockdown, restrictions in transport, suspension of public markets, and others to combat the spread, this greatly affected the projects of our clients since many of them are involved in different business projects.

Some members from groups like Buwalibitsa Group, Buyaka 'B' Bamayi Rula mufumbiro and Kwaya are not cooperating well in recovering their soft loans on the agreed time due to lack of financial management but as a team we are always on the look for new strategies of handling all this.

Our extension of services is moving at a low pace due to the amount of money we receive monthly not being enough to bring more new members on board. There is overwhelming number of new groups that are seriously showing up to work with us after seeing the progress of our beneficiaries

Way forward

Continuous mobilization and encouragement to our members to cooperate and recover their soft loans on time.

Conclusion

As staff of PAUTHO, we extend our inner most appreciation to our Germany team for their kindness. Thank you so much for your thoughtful Christmas package you gave to us. We really appreciated it and that was kind of you friends! Our special thanks also to our dear funders especially Buch-Aktion for their continued support towards the wellbeing of vulnerable mothers in the communities of Bukiende Sub County, and our prayer this year is to widen our scope of services to the whole sub county.

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