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Annual Report



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Our Mission

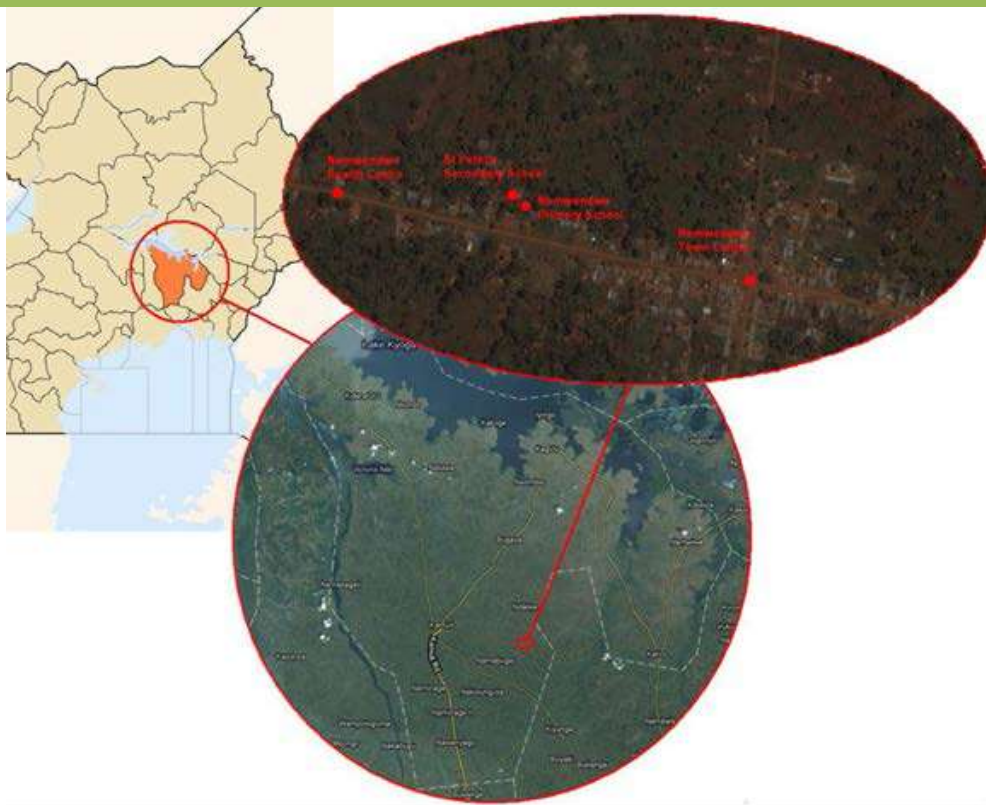
To work in partnership with communities in Eastern Uganda to help them achieve long term goals that will ultimately improve their quality of life.



- To identify underprivileged communities that may require assistance and support.
- To empower these communities with knowledge, skills and resources to improve quality of life.
- To establish self-help development projects and programs in the communities.
- To achieve sustainability through the involvement of community members.
- To promote equality regardless of gender, race or religion.
- To establish links and partnerships between individuals and communities worldwide through a shared vision.
- To promote awareness of and celebrate the diversity between communities while highlighting areas of need.

About Us

One Village is a development organisation focused on working with rural communities in Eastern Uganda. Just One Village Inc was officially founded in 2007 by a young Adelaide woman, Nikki Lovell and has since grown enormously. We now have projects in the sectors of health, education, agriculture and infrastructure. One Village is based on the philosophy that effective and lasting development will only come when the community takes ownership and responsibility for the projects and directs the form that they take. From the day One Village began, our projects have been initiated and driven by the people in Uganda who are passionate about affecting change in their community.



President's Report



2012/2013 has seen a lot of changes take place in both Australia and Uganda. All of which have been made to ensure that One Village programs continue to benefit the most impoverished community members in Namwendwa. These improvements have been made possible by passionate volunteers in both Australia and Uganda, as well as the ongoing support One Village has received from our wonderful sponsors.

Both Vaibhav Garg and myself have been fortunate enough to undertake field work in Namwendwa, which is essential for the monitoring and evaluation of our programs. Vaibhav was in Uganda for 3 weeks focusing on dental education for the staff at the local dental clinic, while also researching the possibility of starting a Village Health Team Program (more information about this program can be found in the health section). The community members, particularly those working in the health department were extremely grateful for the time Vaibhav spent in Namwendwa.

I arrived in Namwendwa at the beginning of January and left at the end of June. While I was there I worked with the community to encourage local people to be involved with One Village. As a result our Ugandan Team grew from 3 key volunteers to 10. Furthermore, I worked with Vaibhav and our health coordinator Lovisa to train village health teams for the community.

I would like to say a special thanks to Paul Kasadha (One Village Education Coordinator), Richard Bulasio (Agriculture Coordinator), Allen Samanya and Jackson Walsuga (members of the Ugandan Team) for making my time in Namwendwa very productive and enjoyable.

To ensure that all of our programs were achieving their desired outcomes Chanelle Corena travelled to Namwendwa to deliver Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation training for the Ugandan volunteers. Additionally, all of the Ugandan volunteers received training in Information Technology, so that they are able to communicate with the Australian Committee more effectively. Already, these skills have made a significant difference with communication between the two committees.

One Village would not be able to undertake the work that it does without the support of our generous donors. Thank you to; 'Learning for a Better World' (LBW) for the continued sponsorship of our tertiary program; 'Bio-Distributers' for supporting the Agriculture program and finally 'SACARE' for the ongoing general donations.

The One Village Action Group organised some fantastic events, which included a Quiz Night, Movie Night and a Black Tie Ball. Clinton Cenko, Alexandra Mannarino, Troy Carter, Michelle Bottgar and Dorothy O'Brien all played an integral role in the organisation of these events.

Overall this year has seen new people enter the organisation, particularly in Uganda, which has led to a lot of changes to improve the way we operate. I would like to remind all of the Board Members and Action Group Members that their work is so valuable to One Village and without your time we would not be able to run our life changing programs in Namwendwa.

Madeleine Dodd,

President, One Village

Ugandan Update



General Report to the Australian Committee:

We wish to thank you for your continued support towards One Village activities in Uganda. We thank you for upholding the image of One Village by creating new changes that are aimed at giving it a new look.

Agriculture:

At Namwendwa P/S, the banana plantation is doing very well. We have started expanding it using the suckers from the first garden and in addition we have bought more.

We harvested 4½ bags of maize (450kg), we sold 100kg at 500 per kg. From this money, we bought cassava cuttings, maize seeds and banana suckers.

We have planted 1½ acres of bananas, one acre of cassava and another acre of maize. From the cassava harvest alone, we are expecting 500,000=; about one million shillings from the bananas and 200,000 shillings from the maize.

We have also started model gardens in the community. We have sampled a number of needy homes, provided them with cassava cuttings, banana suckers and maize seeds. Richard has also opened up kitchen gardens in two homes so far. These homes together with the gardens at the schools are now acting as demonstration places and multiplication centers from where more homes come and learn at the same time will obtain seedlings, seeds, cuttings and suckers next year.

At Butaaya P/S, the maize harvest was 300kg and 50kg of beans. All the beans were sold at

2000shs per kilogram and 100,000shs was realized. Using this money, more banana suckers have been bought and planted. Butaaya is now shifting from maize to Bananas and beans only.

At Nalango Secondary, we have still mentioned our banana garden and from the sell of suckers we have so far bought 50 local birds that are being kept at free range. The droppings from these birds are providing ready manure to the garden.

In all the schools, farming God's way has taken off and the crops are very good.

Ecosan Latrines:

These are now in full use. From the sale of tomatoes, we raised 200,000shs. We used part of this money to hire someone to harvest the manures from these latrines and gathering ashes.

The first harvest has been applied in the banana plantation and tomato gardens. We expect the sampled farmers to start benefiting from these manures once the current decomposition is done. In exchange, we expect them to contribute some ash as well.

Education:

All the sponsored students had their fees directly credited to their respective schools /institutions. They all got their upkeep and other items to cater for the academic and wellbeing.

Health:

The VHTs are working very well and generally reports from the health centre now indicate that the number of admitted/registered patients from such areas covered by VHTs have dropped greatly.

Observations:

One Village has taken a new trend in Uganda. We have started reaching out to the community directly.

Paul Kasadha and Richard Bulasio

Education Program

Secondary Scholarships



The One Village Secondary School Scholarship Program expanded in 2012 to a neighboring village and a total of 48 students received scholarships.

12 new students were selected from Namwendwa Primary School to attend St. Peter's Secondary School, bringing the total at St. Peter's to 40 students. A further 8 students were selected from Butaaya Primary School, in the neighboring village of Butaaya to attend Nalango Secondary School.

Both St. Peter's and Nalango are government schools. However, due to the poor funding that the schools receive from the government the students must pay school fees to attend. The fees cover the costs of scholastic materials, a uniform and a meal each day. The senior 4 student fees are higher to cover boarding costs.

Sponsorships in 2012 were \$195 for S1-S3 students and \$500 for S4 students. As in the past an optional \$15 Ugandan committee administration fee was requested. All but 2 sponsors paid the optional fee. However only 3 sponsors paid the full S4 sponsorship. 3 made partial contributions and 2 S4 students were unsponsored by individuals and their scholarships were paid with general One Village fundraising.

The increased fees were anticipated to be more than sponsors want to pay and this may have to be considered as numbers increase in this year level. Despite this the year had a good start with a number of new sponsors. A new One Village committee member was proactive with speaking engagements and encouraging new sponsors. Other new sponsors came from a Facebook appeal.

The number of scholarships increased again in the 2013 school year to 60. 44 of the students attended St. Peter's and 16 students attended Nalango Secondary Schools. Sponsorship costs decreased to \$180 for S1-S3 with \$15 optional Ugandan administration component and \$440 for S4 students. The S4 costs were offered as a share sponsorship of \$220 to make it more affordable.

Unfortunately sponsorships were hard to find in 2013. Several long term sponsors did not sponsor again due to their circumstances and others had wanted more interaction with their sponsored students. 20-25% of the students have remained unsponsored by individual sponsors.

Communication with the Ugandan team was problematic and the Australian committee has not been receiving photos, letters and reports as regularly as previously. This may partially be due to the increased numbers, problems with computers and printers and failing interest in the program. However there is now a new Education Coordinator, Paul Kasadha in Uganda who is motivated and keen to make the program more effective and efficient.

It was disappointing to hear that 4 students did not continue with their schooling in 2013. Three girls who should have been in S3 became pregnant and are now mothers and a girl who should have been in S4 left due to illness. Other girls in the same year level were offered scholarships in their place.

Individual sponsorships, rather than general

fundraising have been an effective way to raise funds for the secondary school scholarships. However it entails a lot of time for both the Ugandan and Australian committee. Reporting and providing information about students and communicating with sponsors needs to be streamlined and more efficient. This will be a priority for the future.



Tertiary Scholarships



At the beginning of the academic year in 2013 One Village had 27 tertiary students. 14 of these students are enrolled in primary teaching colleges, 9 are enrolled in technical colleges and 4 enrolled in nursing colleges. 18 of the 27 students in this program are females and all of the qualifications that the students are working towards are employable skills in the country.

The students are enrolled in multiple colleges throughout the Country. In the new academic year the college selection will be streamlined to make monitoring and evaluation much easier. Additionally students will only be sent to government colleges.

27 students also graduated from the program at the end of 2012, many of whom have found employment, are volunteering in their profession to build their portfolio or are actively seeking employment. The students who graduated from primary teaching colleges and nursing colleges were all submitting their applications to the Ugandan Ministry of Education in April 2013. Each year the government offers new graduate jobs at the beginning of the new financial year. In the meantime (between December and June) the

new graduates work for private schools or health clinics where they receive a small wage. The technical students find work immediately after graduating and often move to other regions of the country to find as much work as possible. One of the building graduates was involved with the construction of the One Village Teacher's Quarters.

The first alumnus meeting for both current and graduated tertiary and secondary students was hosted in May this year. Unfortunately the attendance was low. To ensure this does not happen in the future Mr Paul Kasadha the Education Coordinator has made it compulsory for all students receiving a scholarship to attend quarterly alumni meetings. Mr Kasadha believes that all of these students should be mentors for other young people in the community and is therefore trying to instill a sense of social responsibility into all of the scholarship students, so they will help impoverished young people in the community in the future.

One Village would like to thank the LBW Trust (Learning for a Better World) who has continued to provide funds that support all of the tertiary scholarship students.



Agriculture Program

School Based Agriculture and Lunches Programs

The Milling Machine



In 2011 a Milling Machine was constructed on the grounds of Namwendwa Primary School. The purpose of this program was two-fold, firstly it ensures that the maize that is harvested from the One Village agriculture plot is ground so that the students can have lunch and secondly to generate income that can be used to maintain the machine and support other programs.

Due to the lack of volunteers in Uganda the Milling Machine was not being managed as well as it should have been. The main problem was that because the machine was not being serviced regularly the income from the program was being spent on repairs for this machine. To resolve this problem One Village employed an experienced mechanic to repair the problems and educate the operator how to maintain the machine.

Additionally, the Agriculture Coordinator at Namwendwa Primary School has been given responsibility of this program. Over the next 6 months the program should begin to generate enough income that can be used towards other programs.



Namwendwa experienced a very high rainfall this year, which was fantastic for the agriculture programs at Namwendwa and Butaaya Primary School.

In May both of the schools planted maize for the school lunch's program. The amount of maize that was planted will be enough to feed the students for the next two terms. Providing students with lunch at school has improved school attendance at both schools.

At Namwendwa Primary School a ginger plantation was established. In East Africa there is a very good market for ginger. In total 10 pits of ginger were planted at \$600. If the ginger plantation is successful the estimated income for the program is \$3,600. This means that a profit of \$3000 will be made from this program. The money from this program will be used to begin other programs that the Ugandan Committee have planned.

Three new members from Uganda joined the One Village Committee this year as Agriculture Coordinators. Richard is the coordinator at Namwendwa Primary, Emmanuel coordinates the Butaaya Program and Joshua looks after the program at Nalango Senior School. In June they attended an organic gardening seminar to learn how to improve the quality of their soil so that they

yield better crops. Already each coordinator has introduced the school students to these new methods.



Ecosan Latrines



At the beginning of 2011 12 Ecosan latrines were constructed at Namwendwa Primary School. The latrines were built because they are environmentally friendly, they are more hygienic, sustainable and the waste can be used as manure when it has been dried effectively. Traditionally Namwendwa uses pit latrines which can be dangerous for the underground water and eventually fill up. The idea of an Ecosan latrine is that the waste is collected in bins and then removed into a drying pit outside. Therefore this style of latrine protects the underground water

source while disposing the collected waste in a safe way.

Due to the latrines being new to the community they were not utilised as effectively as they should have been. The main problem was emptying the buckets that collect the faecal matter. One of the problems that were identified was the design of the latrine. The chamber beneath the latrine that is used for collecting faeces and urine is too deep, which makes the buckets hard to remove. Furthermore, the lack of community understanding about the benefits of the latrines meant that staff members were not maintaining the latrines.

To improve the usage of the latrines, One Village elected a 'sanitation committee' that have the responsibility of maintaining the latrines and ensuring that the latrines are emptied every 2 weeks. Due to the lack of understanding many community members have about EcoSan latrines education about the importance of these latrines is also essential to ensuring that they are used properly.

Health Program

One Village Health programs have progressed this year with Vaibhav Garg and Maddy Dodd being able to undertake field work. Through this work we have been able to use our own resources to deliver health education, partner with other organisations that specialise in public health activities and finally establish closer ties with community members that have a background in health.

Village Health Teams



Village Health Teams (VHTs) are an integral part of Ugandan Healthcare. The purpose of the teams is to provide health education to community members that have restricted access to health care services as a result of poverty or isolation. Due to limited resources the Ugandan government was unable to invest money into training VHTs in all regions of Uganda. As a result of the widespread benefits that VHTs provide for communities, One Village decided to partner with a local

organisation to deliver VHT training to four teams that had been selected in the area.

The training was delivered over three days and 20 community members attended the training. Topics that were addressed included household sanitation; detecting seriously ill infants, children, pregnant women and adults; reproductive health; sexually transmitted diseases and malaria.

Since the workshop, the VHTs have been educating community members about how to make a cleaner household and as a result households have built latrines at their homes, drying racks for their dishes and are constructing hand washing facilities near their latrines.

The One Village Health Coordinator will continue monitoring the work of the VHTs to evaluate the impact they are having on behaviours towards health and healthcare.

Dental Education

In January Dr Vaibhav Garg undertook 3 weeks of field work in Namwendwa. The main objective of his visit was to deliver a new extraction kit to the nursing staff at the Namwendwa Health Care Centre and teach the nurses how to use the equipment appropriately.

Equipment donated included:

- 6 x Adult lower extraction forceps
- 3 x Coupland elevators
- 11 x Adult upper extraction forceps
- 12 plastic buckets
- Approximately 80 tubes of Colgate toothpaste
- Demonstration materials in the form of toothbrush and teeth plastic model

Lovisa Ballidawa (Namwendwa Health Centre) and Grace (Bugaya Health Centre) were then provided with 4 x 1 hour lectures:

1. Anatomy of the Maxilla in relation to teeth
2. Anatomy of Mandible in relation to teeth
3. Appropriate extraction technique for mandibular teeth with instruments provided
4. Appropriate extraction technique for maxillary teeth with instruments provided

At the end of each one hour lecture on a specific topic an informal verbal question and answer session was carried out. Basic themes and key information were tested by asking Lovisa and Grace to demonstrate their newly acquired knowledge on the plaster of paris and plastic tooth models provided. The education exercise was deemed successful subjectively. This was assumed when Grace and Lovisa were able to relay information acquired in their own terms of understanding and demonstrate this knowledge on the models.

Impact of dental equipment and education provision will need to be assessed at a future date.

The enthusiasm of the personnel in participating in the lecture material is an indication there is a good likelihood for success of future oral health projects if the personnel is engaged in a similar way.



Construction

Teacher's Quarters

In March 2013 One Village constructed Teacher's Quarters at Namwendwa Primary School. These quarters were constructed to ensure the teacher's at Namwendwa Primary school who were from other regions had a place to live, so that they could school every day.

At the school three rooms were built, which house three teachers. Before the building two of the teachers could not attend school because they lived too far away and could not afford to pay rent in the Namwendwa town or daily transport. Having the three teachers living at the school means that there are more teachers and therefore smaller class sizes.

The three teachers that live at the school all assist One Village programs. One teacher maintains the Ecosan latrines and the other two help with the scholarship program. Each teacher is responsible for taking care of the agriculture plot based at Namwendwa Primary.



Financial Report

Treasurer's report to Annual General Meeting of Just One Village Inc, T/as One Village

The 2012-13 financial year has seen the One Village not for profit charity raise almost \$70,000 in income in the 12 month period and distribute more than \$60,000 to projects in the villages of Namwendawa and Butaaya in Uganda.

In addition to the regular secondary, tertiary and technical scholarships One Village has supported the purchase of essential infrastructure in the last 12 months.

Just One Village Inc Financial Report

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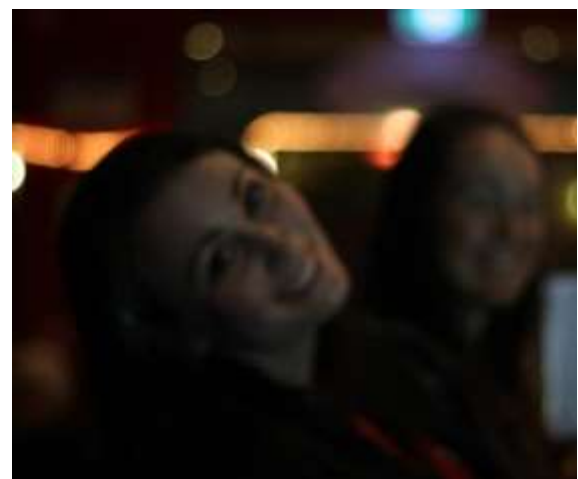
From the smallest seed grows change

Financial year 1 Jul 2012 to 30 Jun 2013		
Opening balance	1-Jul-12	\$ 29,917.97
Income		
Corporate sponsorship		\$ 38,515.00
Scholarship donations		\$ 8,265.00
General donations		\$ 5,653.55
Sales		\$ 128.00
Fundraising		\$ 14,086.15
Interest		\$ 128.90
Total		\$ 66,776.60
Expenditure		
Scholarship payments		\$ 48,425.00
Buildings Uganda		\$ 6,000.00
Agriculture program		\$ 2,600.00
Grain mill		\$ -
Miscellaneous items		\$ 800.00
Ugandan administration		\$ 1,700.00
Fundraising expenses		\$ 3,977.74
Bank fees		\$ -
Pay pal fees		\$ 248.62
Australian administration		\$ -
Total		\$ 63,751.36
Closing balance	30-Jun-13	\$ 32,943.21

Action Group

In 2012/2013 the One Village Action Group organised a lot of successful events that enabled One Village to undertake its programs on the ground. These events included: 'The around the World Quiz Night', 'Great Gatsby Movie Night', 'Kath and Kim Movie Night', Cushdy Cocktail Nights and the One Village Black Tie Ball. In addition to events One Village was busy with school involvement and did public speaking at Prince Alfred College, Woodside Primary School, Scotch College and Coromandel Valley Primary School.

Thank you to all of the Action Group Volunteers who were able to attend fortnightly meetings and offer a lot of support at the events.



Corporate Sponsorship

One Village would like to thank all of our generous corporate sponsors for their continued support. Without your assistance our programs would not be possible.

Bio Distributors

Bio Distributors is a Tasmanian based organic wholesaler that has supported the Agriculture Program since 2008.



<http://www.biodistributors.com.au>

LBW Trust

The LBW Trust is the sole supporter of the Tertiary Program. All of these scholarships are life changing and a key to ending poverty.



<http://www.lbwtrust.com.au/>

SACARE

SACARE provides ongoing general donations that have funded the establishment of IT services in Namwendwa as well as the instalment of solar power.



<http://www.sacare.com.au/>



Janet Nangobi is one of the One Village tertiary scholarship recipients. She completed her nursing studies at the end of 2012 and is now working in a private medical clinic.

Australian Committee

Nikki Lovell – Founder



Lynda Lovell – Scholarship Coordinator



Maddy Dodd – President



Stephanie Noble – General Member



Erin Holmes – Vice President



Vaibhav Garg – General Member



Brad Butler – Treasurer



Andrew Morecroft – General Member



Suren Ladd – Secretary



Information Communication Technology



To improve communication between One Village Uganda and One Village Australia all of the new One Village volunteers were provided with information communication technology training. They received training in basic computer skills, Microsoft office, internet browsing and emailing. Each member of the team was provided with an email address and the organisation now has a laptop with internet connection, so that the team members are able to use email.

Before this training 2 out of the 10 Ugandan volunteers knew how to use a computer. Therefore, these skills are not only useful for One Village, but they are also very valuable for their professional development.

Identiti Web has continued to host the One Village website and we would like to thank the managing director Josh Pugh for this generous contribution to the organisation. Corra Communications has continued hosting the One Village email account and has also offered valuable ICT advice to the organisation.

Planning Monitoring and Evaluation



Planning, monitoring and evaluation is essential for any kind of program success. Due to the limited knowledge many of our team members had about this process, many of the problems with our programs were not being addressed adequately.

In May monitoring and evaluation expert, Chanelle Corena travelled from Kampala (capital city of Uganda) to Namwendwa to deliver a two day workshop about planning, monitoring, evaluation and reporting. The workshop was a great success and the team developed tools for each of the programs to monitor and report how the programs are running. Additionally, a Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting Coordinator was selected to offer support to other team members and ensure that they are presenting their reports in time.

The One Village Planning Monitoring and Evaluation manual can be found on our website.

Looking to the Future

For the next year One Village will be focusing on strengthening our existing programs so they can begin to sustain themselves. For example by the end of 2013/2014 the agriculture program should be self-sustaining due to the income it earns from cash crops like ginger and the profits from the milling machine.

Making programs sustainable is essential to ensure that they will continue prospering without external financial support. It also strengthens the community's sense of ownership of the program.

The scholarship program will continue being funded externally. However, the Ugandan committee has planned to create an alumni committee to help raise funds that will provide scholarships for students.

Furthermore, One Village will endeavour to create partnerships with local organisations so that they can share their skills and knowledge with our volunteers.

