

JWF Fund 2020: Outlines of the project

2. Construction of protected spring well in Kisega village, Uganda

- Organization: Multipurpose Training and Community Empowerment Association (#056)
- Cost: 1,644.7 USD (JWF Fund 946.14 USD, contribution from the Multipurpose Training and Community Empowerment Association 101.73 USD, beneficiaries 404.69 USD and other organization 191.51 USD)
- Number of direct beneficiaries: 1,674 people
- Background: For years, St Peter Kisega Primary School and the people of Kisega Village have been collecting water from an unprotected spring well located 200 meters away. It is unsafe and contaminated, and to make matters worse, is shared by humans and animals. Cases have been registered at local health centers of children and adults suffering from water-related diseases, such as typhoid, trachoma, and diarrhea, resulting in some pupils dropping out of school. Four girls have drowned in the water because of slippery timber steps and a lack of barriers.



Pupils fetching water from the unprotected spring



Woman fetching water from the unprotected spring

- Main contents of the project: construction of a protected spring well facility, conducting a feasibility study before implementation of the project, education of teachers, pupils, community members and local leaders about hygiene and sanitation practices, establishment of a water user committee, training for the committee on maintenance and management of the facility, and water quality testing
- Sustainability: The water user committee is responsible for daily maintenance.

Through improvement of the drinking water source, a better living environment for the community's residents and school children is expected.

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During the project



Feasibility study



Construction of the protected spring well facility

Voice from the beneficiaries (Excerpts)



Ms. Bwenze Junensi, 43 years old,
Chairperson of the
Water User committee

I appreciate the support of the JWF and MTCEA for the project for increasing the amount of safe and clean water. I was very happy when I was nominated as chairperson to lead all the water users. I mobilized the women to prepare food for the workers during implementation of the project.

After the project



Completed protected spring well facility



Man drinking water from the facility



Mr. Noah Henry Kabusera,
23 years old,
caretaker (Technical)

I appreciate the project because I am a resident of the area. The people in the area have been suffering in terms of access to safe and clean water. I am a caretaker of the water facility and I am proud and committed to encouraging the people to clean their jerrycans to avoid being infected with water-related diseases.