

3. Improvement of water supply systems in Mikindani village (Kenya)

(1) Local partner: Star Awake CBO (#059)

Founded I March 2011. A group involved in activities aimed at supplying safe water to villagers

(2) Budget for the project: \$1,808

(Breakdown of funds: JWF FUND: \$1,500, beneficiaries, \$308)

Project Expenses: \$2,100

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(3) Number of beneficiaries: 450 people

(4) Background:

- ① One clinic in the targeted area was forced to close under COVID-19 regulations because it couldn't secure enough safe water.
- ② The villagers were depending on a water source located in a field near the village for domestic use. As the water was heavily contaminated, the villagers faced the risk of water-borne diseases.
- ③ There is no choice but to buy expensive water obtained from distant water pipes in order to ensure a safe supply. As a result, the villagers are trapped further in financial difficulties.



Carrying water from an unsafe water source



Closed clinic

(5) Details of the project:

Establishment of water users' committee; training programs for women; installation of a 1.5 km-long water pipe and a water kiosk.

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During the project



After the project



Ms. Brenda
31 years old

Before, I could spend over 35% of my income on safe water and medication for waterborne diseases. I am now employed at the water kiosk as a member of water users' committee, where I earn an additional income. I spend less than 3% of my income on safe water and medication of waterborne diseases. This has improved my financial situation and I can now afford to meet basic needs for my household. Thank you.



Mr. Stephen
27 years old

health services for Mikindani village's residents have resumed and are fully operational without any inconveniences. Thanks a lot.

※Selling price of safe water at the kiosk for Mikindani village's households: US\$0.025 per every 20-litre container