

BUNYORO KITARA KINGDOM

(MID-WESTERN REGION OF UGANDA)

Projects, Development aid

1. CHILD PROTECTION PROJECT

- To educate, advocate and expose all kinds of abuse in relation to child's rights and growth.
- To enhance nutrition and general health education information about a child's growth and adolescents regarding the psycho-social /cognitive issues and reproductive health respectively.
- To promote awareness in communities on the importance of proper environment use in relation to child's survival and adolescents reproductive health.

Proposed Activities Mobilization through mass media Mobilization through news letters Mobilization through drama Promotion of child welfare

U\$ 157,849

2. ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Goal: To enable the poorest families in Hoima District reduce their poverty by increasing family incomes so that they can afford the basic essentials of life through; Establishing a revolving loan scheme of 200 women living positively with HIV/AIDS with potential to make the scheme operational, those with a minimum business sense, a willingness to commit themselves to learning basic enterprise skills, and an ability to exercise thrift skills.

Train them in small scale enterprise development and resource mobilization and management. (for four (4) districts)

U\$ 178,947

3. PSYCHO-SOCIAL SUPPORT TO 200 ORPHANS PROJECT IMPLEMENTED, HOIMA DISTRICT

- To disseminate government policies and guidelines on psycho-social needs of orphans and vulnerable children
- To identify community volunteers to provide psycho-social support to OVCs in their communities
- To provide community volunteers with skills in memory books' preparation, and guardianship planning
- To support access to recreation and sports activities for OVCs
- To monitor project implementation
- To deliver quarterly financial and project implementation reports

U\$ 210,526

4. HIV / AIDS PROJECT

With the worsening HIV/AIDS prevalence rate in the Kingdom, coupled with emerging oil explorations, the epidemic is an eminent a threat to the Kingdom. To mitigate this situation, the Kingdom intends to adopt a mobile Voluntary Counselling and Testing in 14 sub counties in 4 Districts. There will be use of singes (aunties) and clan leaders and elders who plays a pivotal role in shaping the morals of the people in a cultural setting.

The project will comprehensively provide prevention, care, and treatment.

U\$ 263,158

5. FOOD SECURITY PROJECT

Food security, at the individual, household, national regional and global levels, exists when all people, at all times, have physical and economic access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food to meet their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life. Food Security may also refer to the notion that all people, especially the most vulnerable, have dignified and unthreatened access to the quality and quantity of culturally appropriate food that will fully support their physical, emotional and spiritual health.

The perspective-Food security programme/project would like to ensure that the food security and nutrition policy guarantees access to food and markets by resource poor. Inability of households to meet their basic food requirements is the most visible sign of poverty in a community. Food security and good nutrition are determined by varied factors like food availability due to sustainable agricultural practices, access to food and promotion of income generating activities, knowledge & utilization of food values for nutrition purposes. The kingdom will promote food security and nutrition project in the kingdom and the country and ensuring that the Food Security and Nutrition policy guarantees access to food and markets by resource poor.

U\$ 3,500,000

6. MICRO FINANCE PROJECT

This concept is about Bunyoro Kitara Kingdom Micro Finance Ltd. with a secretariat comprised of the General Manager, the Operations Manager, the Finance and Administration Manager, and the administrative assistant and credit officers a project conceived to boost low income earners in rural areas of Bunyoro Kitara Kingdom who lack convenient access to appropriate and sustainable financial services yet access to appropriate and sustainable financial services yet access to appropriate and sustainable financial services such as savings, credit, transfers, payments and insurance to enable low income earners take control of their financial lives based on the fundamental belief that if poor people are given a facility, they can save; that if the poor are provided with credit, they can generate productive self-employment without external assistance. This project will make a significant impact in our community by assisting the largest possible number of people realize their direct economic objectives of increased employment and income; and reduced poverty. Other indirect benefits such as improved consumption, nutrition, empowerment and welfare will also be realized.

U\$ 2,000,000

7. CLAN RE-ORGANIZATION, REVITALISATION AND EMPOWERMENT

Intended to bring together clansmen and communities to harmonise and pool together manpower and African thought, socio-economical resources, assemble and tap cultural ethics and norms to halt moral decay and enhance better standards of living. The unity and vitality rekindled to enhance the clans and communities overall ego, bargaining power and ability to resist negative influences. The existence of sound clans justifies the presence of the kingdom

Estimated total cost U\$ 184,210

8. RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF KINGDOM MANPOWER STRUCTURES AND RE-STAFFING

On abolishing kingdoms in 1967, the kingdom was caught unaware, the staffs were suddenly dispersed and properties were all looted in subsequent liberation wars. There is need to reestablish a new man-power. This calls for research, cultural consultancy, advertisements, interviews, recruitment, offices, equipment's, and wages.

Estimated total cost U\$ 236,842

9. PRESERVATION OF NYORO CULTURE AND SOCIAL APTITUDE (OBUNTU)

Research and document, decipher, retire, re-establishment and popularise Nyoro Traditions & customs, regalia, rituals and etiquette. Re-establish the original (Pure Nyoro) music, dance and drama the Royal Amakondere, Runyege and Ntogoro dances; establish music and folklore writers and artists.

Estimated total cost U\$ 394,737

10. RUNYORO-RUTOORO LANGUAGE PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The only and best way to preserve a peoples' cultural heritage and identity is through knowledge and speaking of their mother tongue. Given the check red history of Bunyoro-Kitara Kingdom and current influx of other ethnicities into the Kingdom, it's paramount that every effort is directed towards the preservation and development of Bunyoro's mother language, the Runyoro-Rutooro. This shall require:-

A written (updating of the 1956) orthography- as a yardstick of the language. Creation of language / literature communities to be custodians of the language. To ensure that the language is on primary and secondary schools syllabus. That text books and other reading materials are printed and available. That a Runyoro-Rutooro language Association is formed to undertake the function required. That a language Board put in place in compliance with Ministry of Education requirement for implementation of primary school syllabus 2002. Other requirements include. Support for textbooks writers/ mdd troupes / radio / tv programmes etc.

Estimated to cost U\$ 105,263

11. REHABILITATION OF KINGDOM ROYAL PALACES AND CULTURAL SITES

The pride and status of the people of Bunyoro are badly dented by the state of our royal palaces and cultural sites. Further, security of the person of the Omukama and properties are also badly compromised. There is urgent need for the repairs and refurbishing works:

Bujwahya Karuzika (Palace), Hoima.

- Completion of palace repairs
- Completion and commissioning of plumbing & Electrical works
- Construction of 60cm3 u/g tank and lifting pump
- Construction of carport and pump grille around the kitchen
- Furnishing and hosiery
- Construction of perimeter security fence and gates
- Repairs of driveways and walkways
- Gardening and landscaping

Estimated to cost U\$ 315,789

Kihande Palace, Masindi

This is 100 years old structure built by R.A Omukama Andereya Duhaga. It calls for total remodelling rehabilitation and refurbishment.

Estimated to cost U\$ 157,895

Other minor Palaces at Kibanda in Masindi, Bugungu in Buliisa, Karuguza in Kibale and Kyangwali in Hoima

For the Kingdom to spread her services and maintain presence throughout the Kingdom, it is desired to quickly erect and maintain above minor palaces for the Omukama to regularly be with his people.

Estimated to cost U\$ 421,053

12. REHABILITATION OF KINGDOM CULTURAL SITES

Baseline Survey

The Kingdom was abolished in1966 and re-established after 30 years. Bunyoro Kingdom Administration was suddenly dispersed and her assets badly looted in subsequent liberation wars, this compounded with Bunyoro's chequered history badly disorganized her people. There is therefore need for a rural (people's) participatory baseline appraisal with particular emphasis on:

Poverty levels

Socio-cultural aptitudes and norms and possible methods for revitalization. Land tenure and land management practices

Estimated to cost U\$ 78,947

Burungi bw'ensi- a Healthy Bunyoro Project

Sanitation along the shores of Lake Albert leave a lot to be desired, various diseases like systosomiasis (empuka) caused by drinking and stepping in infested lake waters are rampant in the area. There is a need to promote proper sanitary practices along the Lake shores through; massive sensitization, provision of water services, latrines, etc.

U\$ 1,315,790

Poverty Alleviation

The Kingdom wishes to play an active role in the improvement of her people's welfare and uplifting of their standard of living and would like to put the following projects in place.

Goat Farming and other Domestic animal and poultry production

This project is hoped to go through the clan arrangement structure in the Kingdom. Through goat farming and poultry management, family incomes shall be improved and the Omukama's lieutenants shall be on hand to supervise.

U\$ 263,158

Omukama's Heifer Restocking Project

From time memorial, it's the Omukama's happy duty to care for the orphans and generally less fortune, traditionally by donation of a cow- heifer. His majesty wishes to enhance the scheme through well-wishers.

U\$ 526,316

R.A. Omukama Iguru's Scholarship Scheme

In full recognition of the value that education adds to the quality of life of a society, and aware of the inability of most Banyoro to access quality education, His Majesty wishes to approach both national and international friends to solicit for sponsorship/ scholarships for His subjects at various education levels. This shall be supplemented by the Kabalega Education Fund.

U\$ 421,053

Kabalega Education Foundation

The Kingdom aware that education is the main precursor to the well-being and ego of a population, and a prime mover for development now wishes to put in place a permanent education scheme to pool resources for the various educational needs such as infrastructure bursaries, educational audits and reports etc. with hope to improve and enhance educational standards.

U\$ 394,737

Omukama Iguru's school Text books supplies Drive

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With the Uganda Government's Universal Primarily Education Programme, schools are overwhelmed by the number of students enrolled. The schools infrastructure and general

supplies are in inadequate. The Omukama wishes to supplement government efforts through supply of text books from Kingdoms merger resources and contribution from well-wishers.

U\$ 52,632

13. OMUKAMA IGURU ROYAL CRAFTS WORKSHOP

In addition to training of the youth in technical skills, the kingdom wishes to rekindle and develop indigenous and traditional craftsmanship. This calls for research into Bunyoro's crafts as handled by both women, men and the youth in the past and an attempt on a reincarnation and modernization e.g. in various pottery & iron works, carpentry, various fibre crafts, royal regalia and indeed venture into modern light industries. This will call for:

- Various hand tools
- Carpentry machinery and hand tools
- Machine shop-machinery and hand tools
- Technical manpower etc

U\$ 421,053

Self Sustenance- Economic Projects

It's desirable that the Kingdom engages in profitable ventures for self-reliance. Therefore, there is a need for some multifaceted projects like;

14. RADIO BUNYORO FM PROJECT

A mass communication project envisioned to have a far reaching effect on the general socioeconomic bearing of the people receiving the broadcasts. The radio's mission is to portray, uplift and dignify the people and inculcated and preserve approved cultural decency, traditions and norms. Educate and sensitise the people on gender issues childcare, environment, poverty eradication, primary health care, food production, and promote cultural etiquette, protocol customs and language and finally address commercial and business needs.

U\$ 52,632

15. DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURAL SITES FOR PRESERVATION AND TOURISM

Bunyoro' cultural sites are many and scattered all over Uganda and currently in very poor state and calling for urgent rehabilitation and preservation. Sites of most cultural significance include:

- The Mparo Kabalega Gasani (tombs)
- Mpumudde (mpumwire) Kabalega death site
- Dokolo Apac Kabalega captare site
- The Biito dynasty birth place
- Other cultural sites

U\$ 210,526

16. A FORESTATION FOR ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION

The following parcels of land are available for re-forestation with cypress and / or pine tree:

| Rwampanga softwood plantation Waisembe Hill reserve BN/C/38 (BUGAHYA) | 14,26 sq. mls |
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| Bigajuka Eucalyptus plantation BN/C/9 (Bugahya), | 0,02 sq. mls |
| Kijubya Eucalyptus plantation BN/C/8 (Bugahya) | 0,13 sq. mls |
| Musoma Eucalyptus plantation Bwijanga BN/C/52E | 278,00 Ha |
| Masindi Eucalyptus plantation Bwijanga BN/C/33 | 38,85 Ha |
| Masindi Eucalyptus plantation Bwijanga BN/C/34 | 18,00 Ha |
| Kakumiro Eucalyptus plantation BN/C/16 (Bugangaizi) | 256,00 Ha |
| Kagadi Eucalyptus plantation BN/C/12 (Buyaga) | 80,00 Ha |
| Kibaale Eucalyptus plantation BN/C/12(Buyaga) | 80,00 Ha |
| Ndaiga Eucalyptus plantation BN/C/12(Buyaga) | 2,00 Ha |

U\$ 473,684

17. KIRYABA KYEMPISI RANCHING SCHEME

The Kingdom was claiming her ancestral land from Central Government and is offering it as a joint venture business opportunity in ranching/ livestock industry, briefly as follows

- Mother ranch 30 sq. Mls: Investor + Kingdom-ranching
- Core ranch 40 sq. Mls: Core investor—ranching + livestock industries
- Unity Ranch ---- 30 Sq. Mls: Local Administration. + Investor--- ranching
- 8 No. Individual Ranchers _ 8*5 (40) Sq. Mls:-- ranching

U\$ 1,052,631

18. CAPACITY BUILDING FOR COUNCILLORS OF BUNYORO KITARA KINGDOM SUPREME COUNCIL

The kingdom has got a Supreme Council with about 100 Councillors as its Legislative arm. Though Bunyoro Kitara Kingdom is a cultural Institution, it at the same time strives to meet the national and international standards of doing things. With this perception, the councillors need to be equipped with modern skills and knowledge of Legislative assemblies. This will enable the councillors to handle critical issues of the kingdom in a transparent and objective manner.

U\$ 42,105

19. DEVELOPING ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN

In 2004, Bunyoro Kitara Kingdom designed and adopted a Strategic Plan, with a theme "Facing the Development Challenges of Bunyoro Kitara Kingdom." However, an annual operational plan was not designed and yet it is the very key in realizing the Mission and Vision of the Kingdom. Therefore, it is now the appropriate time to come out with an operational strategy with specific activities which in the end will enhance the attainment of the strategic plan.

U\$ 26,316

20. COMMUNITY BASED INITIATIVE (CBI) FOR PEOPLE AFFECTED BY THE OIL PRODUCTION BOOM

Bunyoro Kitara Kingdom is blessed with vast oil deposits. However, it is also aware of the implications of the activity on the social, cultural, and economic and environment.

It is upon this Knowledge therefore that the Kingdom seeks to mitigate and manage the negative effects of oil production. This will be through carrying out the Social Impact Assessment (SIA), Environmental Protection, Nutritional Education, Conflict Mitigation and Proper Sanitation Education

U\$ 4,210,526

Investors and well-wishers are requested to choose project of their choice and ask for the project write up. For more information please contact the office of the President of the ARKBK CLBG.

Thank you in anticipation.

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