

# MALIBA COMMUNITY SUPPORT, REPORT;

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Maliba Community is characterised by all categories of people like any other Area, major activities are practicing small scale farming/ Agriculture and it is a community that has been affected by wars rebels coming from the Republic of Congo because of being close to them, the Climate Change which has left this community with many unsolved problems thus making the people living in this community prone to poverty. It is one of the heavily populated communities in Kasese District, many youth are jobless and because of this, many girls have got unwanted pregnancies. Do not complete school and associated diseases have increased like HIV among others. Floods, landslides, and droughts all are being faced in this community. Vulnerable persons are on increase in this community and Covid 19 has made the situation more worse than ever, like domestic violence on increase, children have not gone to school for all that period most of them have grown old to be told to be in the same classes they were in. People were restricted from day to day work because of Covid 19 like carrying businesses in other places, some were closed and were to be in homes without crossing to other Districts or Countries due to lock downs, all these have made the situation alarming. When you are in this Community you feel like doing something to help the people but you ask yourself some questions like: What is the problem? What are the root causes? And how can it improve? Where are the resources! From Here, I decided not to sit down but to start community assessments by visiting from Village to Village, make reports, share them with close friends within and outside.

Community visitation and collecting Information has helped this community to have some positive changes through sharing the data with them. People who can pass it to others analyse it and find some solution to some of the problems and help. This has yielded a lot and the impact is now felt. A number of people have been supported in different ways / Forms. As the number of vulnerable people increases for example the disabled persons and the Aged, these are people we need to pay much attention to because they cannot help themselves and move out in this situation life. People who do not stay within this community, cannot know what is happening if we don't write and inform them.

During my community support exercise, identify people in critical demand for assistive devices like wheel chairs, crutches, and others that they cannot move by themselves. I record them in my book and share the information to friends who can be able to lobby and provide ideas of how these items can be provided. Like now 5 wheel Chairs were provided to help 5 vulnerable persons who are now happy and able to move by themselves from one point to another. The 5 wheel chairs were sent to **Mbarara Catholic** Diocese from Germany and were now delivered to Kasese District to help the people in Maliba Community, the pictures are of people who benefited from this support through Keith.



The picture above shows one of the communities I visited and identified some disabled persons who need wheel Chair support and this village is Called Muramba 11 village. It is a fertile place very green but hills and less developed, rough roads and no piped water due to the problems mentioned above.

The same Village where Kabugho Rakeri come from that you will find in pictures below.





The above woman in picture is Kabugho Rakeri 63 years old who has only one leg. She has 8 children 4 girls and 4 boys of the above village Muramba 11 Community. She is a married woman to a man who is 74 years old and all love each and their children.

Kabugho Rakeri, got sick in 2017, developed something like Anthrax on her leg, it developed into something big, she would go to hospital for treatment but it kept on growing. She sold her land in order to go to better Hospitals and get better services but all failed, she had a motorcycle that was being helping her educate her children, it was also sold to get money for treatment till the condition changed and was finely diagnosed as Cancer disease . After diagnosing it in 2019, then she was taken to Bwera Hospital where the leg was cut or Amputated in order to manage by stopping the spread of this cancer from to other parts of the Body and now she has only one leg, she is no longer doing her duties as before as a woman and the children no longer go to school because nobody in the family can afford getting school fees for them. The Father is so weak, he has also Prostate Cancer. Most of the lands were sold and properties.

In picture above, Kabugho Rakeri, in her provided wheel Chair donated from Germany and the crutches that she got by Doctor from Bwera hospital where she was being getting Treatment from to help her in moving before she got the wheel Chair. The husband is standing beside her an old man who is also battling with prostate Cancer.





**In Picture above,** Robert Training Kabugho Rakeri a 63 years old disabled woman how to use a wheel Chair that newly she received



**In picture above** is Kabugho Rakeri's Home, Coffee displayed on the ground that will be sold and use the money to buy home necessities she said.

## Second Story:



**In picture above** is Mugisa Barnabus Aged 21 years old a resident of Kakindo Village, Maliba Community who is a disabled man and has been provided with a wheel Chair which he is in now. Besides is a brother witnessing him receiving a wheel Chair?



**In picture above**, Robert after handing over the wheel Chair to Mugisa Barnabus. This Man was born health but after 6 years old, started experiencing body swellings and paralysis. He was taken to Hospital for management but all did not work and finally he developed stiffness of all the limbs and after ten years old became disabled that he could not move, walk by himself by himself other than crawling on ground.

- In conclusion, the community beneficiaries and care takers of these vulnerable people are very much happy in their home families with the support extended to them through collaborating with friends who have hearts of helping. It should not end here but the beginning. I urge our supporters that when you support the vulnerable, the blessings will always come on increasing to you and the work of the hands you do.
- Through experience, the people who are suffering are deep in the remote communities who cannot easily be identified by big organizations who are having big offices in Towns, Cities, and Urban Areas but only by Local community people who are on ground mingling locally with them.
- Our supporters have injected many things to help the vulnerable persons in Uganda but things are not reaching the other last suffering person, the real vulnerable but in the hands of the rich because they know how to write proposals, well educated, drive executive vehicles and so on. They have big organizations and offices and take time to reach the other rural vulnerable person who is suffering.
- **Kabugho Rakeri and Mugisa Barnabus and many others who have benefited from this support** are so happy and proud in their families for the real support extended to them that thanks for this love. They have named me saviour in our Community which nickname am not supposed to get but my friends who are doing it.

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