Interim Report May 2019

What our partners achieved with your donations and how grateful they are....

Discover partners have already been very active this year. The total sum that Discover e.V. in Germany has given to the following partners which was generously given by our friends and supporters is 10,830 Euro.

Our partners work hard and are very dedicated. Each training activity requires a lot of time and preparation. For most of the activities described below I have received a detailed report.

1. Bumbura Maliba, near Kasese, Uganda



The juice making machine

Eric Kihuluka travelled to Maliba in January and conducted a 5-day training with 45 participants in juice production. He bought a juice making machine in Kampala. He also taught the group how to make liquid soap and good animal fodder. 2200 Euro

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Robert, the leader of Bumbura Maliba, wrote, "Keith, I am assuring you that what you have

done for Bumbura will never be forgotten by the community here. The training is really wonderful."

2. Vumbula Masaka, Uganda

A) Rehema and her training team conducted a 6-day training seminar in Bundibugyo in January with 23 participants, which included 4 from other districts. Total 2785 Euro which included 1250 from BusaruHilfe, 1000 from paying participants and 575 from Discover.

A Catholic priest participant said, "the seminar changed people's lives in a very positive way. I turned my office at the parish into a pharmacy after realising that



Bundibugyo training seminar: packing cough syrup

many people are physically sick and in need of my services."

B) Rehema visited Mpugwe Women's group where she and her colleagues had held a training seminar in March 2018. She established the "Vumbula Loan and Savings Group Mpugwe" with 20 members. The Moslem women in the village are very lacking in self-confidence. Rehema wrote, "The members became very excited and look forward to my visiting



Mpugwe; some members of the new savings group

them again to assess their progress. This really motivates them to implement and develop their initiatives! 600 Euro

C) In March Rehema and her training team held an intensive 7-day training

seminar at "Chosen Farm", the farm of
Discover trainer Andrew Kyambadde, in
Kabongezo Village, Mityana District. The 29
participants included George Zokli, a
Discover partner from Ghana. On the last day
over 100 people attended – this number
included local officials and many church
members. 6000 Euro
(Funded by Land Baden-Württemberg)



"Learning by doing" Learning massage at Kabongezo



Now Andrew Kyambadde and his family are building a permanent Discover training centre on their farm

George

reported, "It was really a successful seminar with excellent trainers. I learnt a lot. I observed how our host, Andrew, made use of things around him. His bio-toilet, the organic hen project and his banana farm were all impressive. The waste from one activity provided the input for another!"

D) Rehema and her training team are now preparing for the next intensive seven-day training seminar which will be held in Nakaziba Village, Kabogo District, in August. We urgently need to recruit paying participants from other parts of Uganda to pay our share of the grant from Land Baden-Württemberg.



A conscientious pupil participant in the Kasese Network training

3. Kasese Network, Uganda

A three-day training in February for 39 participants: two teachers and three schoolchildren from each of 6 schools and 9 farmers, all drawn from the three Kasese Network project areas. 990 Euro

A teacher participant included the following in his report, "As teachers, we were asked to help the students establish school gardens of vegetables and medicinal plants. In this way, communities will be transformed and many problems in the homes will be addressed."

4. Fweny, South Nyanza, Kenya

The executive

planning meeting was held in January, the AGM and training day for 29 members in March and a training seminar with the "Ochenge Women's Group" in May. Tamima Omondi wrote, "Five different self-help groups have asked to be trained. We have to decide which we can help. We can manage one more this year."

1100 Euro

5. IPOA Widows and Orphans Group, Kasese, Uganda



The IPOA training included banana plant management

Four days training in April with 75 participants



Beldina, Fweny chairperson, shows how she uses string for her passion fruits to climb on

from two schools, many churches, an association for disabled people, elders and villages from Kighengi Village.

1865 Euro

Kenja Thomas was delighted with the outcomes of the training. He wrote, "the biggest benefit of this training was that one family which had been broken for 8 years was

reunited. The husband had fled his home leaving the wife with seven children to look after, this was a big task for the woman and children had missed school. I invited

both to the training and, thank God, they turned up. We counselled them after the lesson on domestic violence and conflict resolution. They reconciled and reunited, there were both joy and tears."

6. Eric Kihuluka / Mikwano Kaliro District
Eric and his team have continued their
programme of visiting schools and
establishing school gardens. In Kaliro town
they are establishing a demonstration farm
and garden and teaching centre at which
they have already held a range of training
activities for farmers and teachers. 2500
Euro

They are delighted that we have won support from the Erbacher Stiftung (total 11,700 Euro) for their programme of developing the demonstration farm and



The demonstration farm and garden is developing into a major resource centre where a lot of teaching takes place. This picture was taken during an official famers' field school.

garden, for continuing their work of promoting nutrition, hygiene and school gardens in the 220 schools in the district and for training community health workers.



In Kalerwe they also prepared moringa juice according to the procedure Enid learned from Ghanaian George Zokli during his recent visit.

Eric writes, "Our farmers field school approach has been appreciated by a cross section of people i.e. politicians, religious leaders and civil servants. We are looking forward to developing farmer family learning groups of 10 members per group to ensure close, sustainable networking and good developments in the families".

7. Enid Kiviri and Vumbula Kalerwe, Kampala, Uganda, conducted a 3-day training for 4 pupils and 2 teachers from each of the 4 schools in the Kalerwe slum. Nutrition was an important topic: The teachers promised they would plant moringa and amaranth. Then next term they will put moringa in the pupil's beans and mix amaranth into the maize flour for both porridge and posho for the children to eat.

1000 Euro

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