NAME OF ORGANIZATION: TWERWANEHO ORPHANS COMMUNITY INITIATIVE (TOCI)

PROJECT TYPE: COMMUNITY TAPS, PIT LATRINE INSTALLATION/RENOVATION

LOCATION: BUKUUKU and KARAGO TOWN COUNCIL, KABAROLE DISTRICT, WESTERN UGANDA

REQUESTED AMOUNT: \$ 9,851

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION: \$5,705 in LAND, LABOR, MONEY, MATERIALS

PROJECT SUMMARY: The purpose of the project is to provide clean and safe water to the community. Funds will be spent to build 10 new pit latrines, renovate 5 existing pit latrines, install taps within the community, provide equipment for Drama Club outreach, and a water tank for the orphanage. The project will also have workshops to provide community education on the importance of clean water, safe hygiene, and capacity building. The community members will create a fund into which everybody contributes money to repair and maintain the installed taps. The community will also create a dedicated water and sanitation committee.

<u>GROUP BACKGROUND</u>: TOCI is a CBO that addresses the challenges of vulnerable children in the community. TOCI is focused in the Kiguma and Karago parishes which are rural areas located off the Bundibugyo road and about 6 km from Fort Portal town in the western region of Uganda. TOCI is run by local community members including both working professionals and the guardians of the children and aims to support orphans, disabled children and child lead households through life skills training and empowerment.

BENEFICIARIES: 100 Men, 300 Women, 600 Children

About The Organization

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The local language word "twerwaneho" means work hard for ourselves; and that is exactly what TOCI teaches its children. This community initiative supports the children through basic and technical skills training, psycho-social support, education and the supplementation of certain basic needs so that the children can grow into self-sufficient and healthy adults despite the harsh challenges they have faced and overcome.

Funding for TOCI is currently primarily at the community level and through small donations. Teachers from the local schools and other working professionals in the community donate not only time but also invest what they can to help develop and sustain small income generating activities, which then pay for the children's' school supplies, school fees and other necessities. Funding for TOCI also includes small donations from kind and generous individuals and occasionally small grants.

Currently, TOCI has more than 40 orphans and vulnerable children with special needs in its care and many of these children are supporting younger siblings and/or feeble elderly. TOCI has implemented training in vocational skills in hair dressing and tailoring, and is continually working on improving the programs offered to the children. In addition to offering vocational skills, TOCI currently supports more than 30 children in education. Of the six children, who are currently in post primary institutions, five passed in Division 1 and one child passed in Division 2. Also, all six of the children have received aggregates at or above the Ugandan national examination board standards.

Over the past year or two, TOCI has conducted several outreach clinics where OVCs and PHAs were able to receive medical care and supplies, including malaria prevention information and mosquito nets. Outreach clinics have also covered topics such including general health, basic skills and sanitation, and formal guidance and supplemental support has been offered in these areas. TOCI has also established IGAs within the community. From those IGAs, 13 families have been able to increase their annual income.

Needs Statement

In the Kabarole District, the Bukuuku and Karago Town Council subcounties have been the most seriously affected by the HIV/AIDs epidemic over the last decade. In particular, Bukuuku subcounty, many children orphaned due to HIV/AIDs experiences difficulties maintaining reliable and clean pit latrines and difficulties in accessing safe water sources due to the absence of equally distributed wetlands that would have been drainage places to get water from. Also, the available water is dirty and contaminated. The community is comprised of many families with

children with disabilities which makes it difficult for families to leave their children to fetch water that are kilometers away. To seek and access water, orphans, disabled children, their guardians, and other community members walk for long distances if they are not located near a water source.

The TOCI committee underwent a needs assessment on between January 28 - February 1, 2012, to find out how best TOCI can assist in the water and sanitation challenges faced by the communities TOCI works with. The needs assessment covered more than 50 homes and most of the homes, especially those of orphans and vulnerable children, lacked sanitary toilets. Some used dilapidated toilets, while others used the bush for fecal disposal, which is dangerous to the environment and human life.

In order to increase the access of the state water in the Bukuuku and Karago Town Council subcounties, there is a need to construct water tanks that will harvest rain water and also put in place taps that will reduce the tap ratio, which is currently approximately 1 tap to 200 homes. Also, during the dry season, the Kiguma and Karago villages must access water from Mpanga river, which drains from the Rwenzori Mountains through Fort Portal, more than 5 kilometers from the villages. The implementation of this project will enable the community to harvest and store enough water locally for current and future use.

Project Specifics

In order to help the orphans and vulnerable children and their guardians, as well as the community at large access and profitably use safe and clean water and sanitation facilities, the following areas of intervention were agreed upon in different consultative meetings with all stake holders in the communities, include the LCs. This project has taken into consideration the proposed locations and capabilities of the communities involved. Based on these meetings, TOCI is proposing the following:

- i. The construction of 10 new pit latrines for children that have none or dilapidated ones.
- ii. Renovate 5 existing pit latrines for families who have pit latrines that are in bad but useable condition.

The latrines are expected to last for more than 20 years and TOCI will ensure that they are properly used and cared for through supervision.

iii. The procurement of 3 bicycles to ease transportation, monitoring and evaluation of projects, and to increase capacity building.

Bicycles procured will be managed by TOCI and the Water and Sanitation Committee. Members will ensure their service and repairs.

- iv. The procurement of drama equipment, materials, and instruments that would empower the current drama club to create and raise awareness in the community to combat the impact of HIV/AIDs, disabilities, and water and sanitation.
- v. Extend gravity water taps to the TOCI orphanage and seven selected areas according to the locations discussed with the LCs so that taps are more evenly distributed to decrease the tap ratio from 1 tap per 200 homes to that of about 100 per tap.
- vi. The procurement of jerry cans and containers to enable orphans and children with disabilities to store enough water for future use and enable them to concentrate on development activities like education and domestic work.
- vii. Construct 1 water tank for the TOCI Orphanage.
- viii. For TOCI to better help the community adapt and embrace developmental projects, there is a need for capacity building workshops to enhance community skills, knowledge, interest, and ability to ensure efficiency and the sustainability of the project.

This workshop will involve the selecting of the project committee from the community that will oversee and support the project by acting as the liaison team between the community and TOCI. Also, professionals from the community will facilitate this capacity building workshop and will be asked to provide future support. The workshop will last one day and will take place near the OVCs homes to save time and distance.

ix. A second workshop will be held with the water and sanitation committee, which will focus on financial, management, and record keeping to keep TOCI updated with the progress of the ongoing projects. This workshop will take place on the same day as the first but will be officially launched, making the project community led and controlled.

Note: Water equipment given to the orphans and vulnerable children will last for more than 10 years. Sustainability and maintenance of the projects implemented by this proposal will be minimal and affordable as local leaders will be forming a joint partnership to continue mobilizing each family to raise 200 UGX per month for repairs and as a savings for future projects. The funds will be managed by the Water and Sanitation Committee already in place in the TOCI catchment area.

This proposal will be targeting 1000 direct beneficiaries: 100 men, 300 women, 600 children. Indirect beneficiaries are estimated at 101 men, 144 women, 255 children.

Goals

- 1. To provide the community with increased access to safe, clean, and reliable water.
- **2**. To allow the local community to participate in the construction and provision of sanitary facilities and as a result, ability to "own" the project.
- **3**. To allow the community a chance to harvest rain water which can be used during times of scarcity.

- 4. TOCI beneficiaries will be given an opportunity to have and develop practical skills during project implementation such as construction, carpentry, etc.
- 5. To empower the community about and prevent waterborne diseases and as a result, enhancing better growth and development.
- 6. To allow TOCI to better meet the needs of its community.

Community Contribution

TOCI and its catchment area will not only provide in-kind contribution but also through the Water and Sanitation and Mobilization Committee initiated by TOCI and the LC leaders will secure small funds per home to increase project implementation success.

Materials such as hoes, spades, land, and non-skilled labor are among other contributions the community will render to the project. The community contribution is estimated to be 13,408,000 UGX (\$5,705), which is 37 percent of the total cost.

Monitoring and Evaluation

Monitoring and evaluation is vital for project implementation success and it will be done on a daily basis by the water committee together with a plumber and water technician pady. Pit latrine construction will be supervised by Mr. Bitekerezo James, who is a TOCI member and a trained mason.

Procurement and delivery of equipment and materials will be done by TOCI Committee members, led my Mr. Amanyire Micheal, founder and current chairperson of TOCI.

During workshops and during TOCI meetings, the general public will also be equipped and encouraged to contribute with local day to day monitoring and report to local leaders and TOCI for action and intervention.

Monthly reports will be compiled by difference stakeholders to increase and check on performance gaps and strengths during implementation and usage.

Indicators for measuring and evaluating will also cover the following questions:

-Is the tap functional? Are there any problems with the tap?

-Have people saved time due to fetching water at the new tap compared to before?

-Are there leaks in the tank/pipe? Are there any other structural deformities?

-Is the water clean and clear looking?

Time Frame

From start to completion, the project will take approximately 3 months and 2 weeks.

Activity	Time Frame
Procurement of equipment and materials	May 1-May 5, 2012
Digging of water trenches and pit latrines	May 6-May 15
Construction and renovation of pit latrines	May 16-May 25
Installation of water pipes and gutters	May 26-May 30
Construction of taps and water spillways	June 1-June 10
Construction and installation of tanks and connecting to installed gutters	June 11-June 30
Procurement and handing over of bicycles and drama equipment	July 1-July 8
Procurement and distribution of jerry cans and water containers to OVCs	July 9-July 16
Training of drama and water and sanitation committee	July 17-July 30
Capacity building workshop	July 31-August 1
Financial management and record keeping workshop	August 2-August 3
Launching of project	August 5, 2012

Budget

The total budget for this project is 36,558,000 UGX (\$15,557). The community will be contributing a total of 13,408,000 UGX (\$5,705). TOCI is requesting 23,150,000 UGX (\$9,851).

Item	Qty	Total Cost * UGX	Community Contribution *UGX	Requested Amount
PE Pipe	1200m	1,860,000		1,860,000
Saddle Clamp	10	385,000		385,000
Get Valves	10	14,600		14,600
Stop Cock	8	120,000		120,000
GI Elbows	50	50,000		50,000
GI Socket	15	13,500		13,500
GI Pipe	10	290,000		290,000
Thread Pipe	50	45,000		45,000
Taps	6	210,000		210,000
Nipples	10	11,000		11,000
Tank	1	850,000		850,000
Buck Nuts	40	44,000		44,000
Ball Valves	12	336,000		336,000
Yan	30m	75,000		75,000
Barrier Nipple	25	175,000		175,000
Boss White	10	58,000		58,000
Coupling Tee	12	78,000		78,000
Male Adaptors	26	122,200		122,200
Cement	38	1,311,000		1,311,000
Bricks	2000	320,000	320,000	0
Aggregates	5 trips	750,000		750,000
Sand	11 trips	990,000	360,000	630,000

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Wheel Barrow	1	150,000		150,000
Hoes	10	67,000		67,000
Basins	8	32,000		32,000
Spades	13	156,000		156,000
Timber	120	1,275,000		1,275,000
Hard Core	4 Trips	520,000		520,000
Hammer	2	29,000		29,000
Gutters	20	240,000		240,000
Gutter Clamps	60	150,000		150,000
Plastic Pipe	30	720,000		720,000
Bends	35	133,000		133,000
Jerry Cans	45	270,000		270,000
Trench Labor	1.6km	2,400,000	2,400,000	0
Plumbing Tech Labor	1 month	1,800,000		1,800,000
Transport		4,140,000	770,000	3,370,000
Unskilled Labor	3 days	3,000,000	3,000,000	0
Fuel	30 days	600,000		600,000
Mason Labor	20 days	1,600,000		1,600,000
Lock Boxes	8	240,000	240,000	0
Padlocks	8	120,000	120,000	0
Connection Fee	8	400,000	400,000	0
Committee Facilitations	3 months	300,000		300,000

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Stationary	4 months	80,000		80,000
Pens	2 boxes	29,000		29,000
Airtime	3 months	270,000		270,000
Poles	60	600,000		600,000
Support Beam	80	400,000		400,000
Reeds	100	250,000		250,000
Iron Sheet	75	1,875,000		1,875,000
Pit Labor	200 ft	600,000		600,000
Mud Labor	10 houses	500,000	500,000	0
Plastering Labor	15 latrines	600,000	600,000	0
Nails	65 kg	422,500		422,500
Renovation Labor	10 days	400,000	400,000	0
Bicycles	3	750,000		750,000
Fixing and Initial Repair	3	60,000		60,000
Drums	1	95,000		95,000
Rough Skirts	12	48,000	48,000	0
Materials for Uniforms	20 pairs	300,000	150,000	150,000
Sugar Papers	40	10,000		10,000
Markers	2 boxes	24,000		24,000
Books	2 dozen	4,200		4,200
Masking Tape	2 rolls	10,000		10,000
Trainers Lunch	2 days	120,000		120,000

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Participants Lunch	200	2,600,000	2,600,000	0
Rattles	2 pairs	60,000		60,000
Financial Contribution			1,500,000	
Total UGX:		36,558,000	13,408,000	23,150,000
Total USD:		15,556.60	5,705.53	9,851.06
% Community Contribution	0.37			