



Buleega Community Primary School

PROJECT REPORT SUBMITTED TO: THE PROJECT SOLUTION

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IMPLEMENTED BY: [MISSION FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT \(MCODE\)](#)



The old broken concrete water tank



The new plastic water tank



Introduction

In August 2013, MCODE received a grant of USD 2,875 from The Project Solution, the US organization dedicated to providing solutions to people in distressed areas around the globe to support the purchase and installation of a rain water catchment tank with all necessary construction and fittings at the Buleega Community Primary School in Najja Sub County, Buikwe district in Buganda/Central region of Uganda . This was aimed at contributing towards the improved access to clean water for over 320 children who attend the School and improve on appropriate hygiene practices in Buleega primary school.

The project objectives were:

- To Improve the Accessibility to clean water among 320 School students of Buleega primary School by October 2013
- To improve the school performance in academics due to reduced time wasted while fetching water from water springs/wells.
- To improve the hygienic condition of the school and reduce water related diseases.

In response to the poor access to clean water faced by children of Buleega school and given the limited resources, the school management, contacted MCODE to support them in installing a water collection tank at the school to uplift hygiene and sanitation. The installation of the tank presented a pressing need as it presented problems such as poor hygiene which compromised the health of students, lesson interferences during while fetching water and limited access to clean water by children and teachers in the school.

Given the above need, MCODE contacted The Project Solution to support the school to install a rain water catchment tank. Prior to the installation, MCODE conducted a few meetings with the school management, B.O.D from where a steering committee was formed. The committee consisted of the school B.O.D chairperson, the school headmaster, the P.T.A Chairperson, a teacher, the students' leaders and 2 of MCODE team members. The committee played an important role in the monitoring and reporting progress of the project. To achieve the desired objectives, the following activities were carried out:

Planning with the school management



Mobilization of the school to contribute local materials

To foster ownership and participation, the school made the following pledges as contribution to the renovation:

Food for skilled and un-skilled labour during the tank installation, Water for construction, store for keeping the materials, a wheel barrow, a spade and a hoe. The materials were contributed both the school treasury and parents (community) since the facility under installation is for a community initiative.

Contract builders for the installation

MCODE contracted community based builders for the construction and installation of the water tank at the school. A contract was drawn out between MCODE and the community builders' team.

Purchase of construction materials

Construction materials were purchased. These included: cement, sand, Aggregate stones, for making the platform, the tank, gutters, gutter clips, collection pipes and tap.

Delivering materials to the school

The construction materials were delivered to the school where they were stored.



Cement bags were delivered and handed over to the school headteacher



Construction of the tank platform/base

The base on which the tank was to be placed started to be constructed



After the platform was completed, the tank, tap, gutters, clips and other related accessories were also purchased and delivered to site



Gutters and other accessories were also delivered at the school and installed



The long awaited tank was finally delivered to the school.



Nursery children were happy to see the tank delivered at their school, they clapped and chanted with words of gratefulness.



In honour and recognition of the donors and their partners, the school designed words of thank you, they decided to hold the words for a photograph at the place where the tank was placed.





The tank was engraved in recognition of The project Solution - the donor organisation and MCODE the implementing organisation.

'On behalf of the School, the Buleega community at large and MCODE, i thank The Project Solution for standing with us in providing the financial assistance required to make this project a success, Thank you so much Joe and your team, thank you so much The Project Solution', Lubanga Kayondo, Executive Director - Mission for Community Development

Project: Improving water access through Rain water harvesting.

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Donor: The Project Solution

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