

HIJRA Uganda Stands #WithRefugees Reconstructing community livelihoods

World Refugee day is a United Nations initiative celebrating and honoring the courage and resilience of Refugees. It is celebrated annually on June 20th, and this year's theme '*We Stand together #WithRefugees*' aims to build empathy and understanding of the situation refugees go through.

HIJRA Uganda's mission is to serve Refugees with multi sector programmes that aim to reconstruct lives of displaced persons and move them towards selfreliance. We offer relief services to displaced persons in **Oruchinga**, **Nyakabande** and **Bubukwanga Camps**. For those in transit, we give emergency services, and after being settled, we provide sustainable solutions to their daily challenges. In all our interventions, the benefits derived go beyond improving refugee's lives, and impact the local communities around the camps.

Areas of Intervention

WASH

HIJRA is championing in implementation of innovations that provide sustainable Water and Sanitation solutions. The Motorized Water Supply system that was installed at Nshungyezi Health Center III has positively impacted the Health Center and Community around it. Solely relying on Solar power, this innovation has significantly lowered operating costs and has increased the amount and reliability of water to ably carter to the Health Center's needs.

Protection

HIJRA proactively ensures the protection of Refugees rights through regular visits to refugee inmates and continuous law and order education sessions. HIJRA is



HIJRA receiving refugees who have just crossed the boarder



HIJRA supports local Prisons with non food items

participating in mobile Court sessions that will give long term detained refugees their day in Court.

Peaceful Co-existence with local communities

HIJRA is at the forefront in the efforts to integrate and harmonize refugee and local communities. Through regular Community dialogues, both refugees and locals share challenges and agree on solutions as one community. HIJRA works closely with local authorities in this process.

Ensuring the Self-Reliance and Livelihoods

Livelihoods programmes focus on equipping refugees with skills and knowledge they need to sustain themselves and their families. HJRA is championing saving schemes like SACCO's and Village Saving and Loan Associations in the **Oruchinga Settlement**. Refugees are able to manage and grow refugee initiated schemes, which are transforming the lives of their members.

Durable solutions

With funding from UNDP, HIJRA is implementing a series of activities that aim to transform the 50 by 100 meter plot, which refugees are to be given when settled, into a secure and sustainable source of income. These activities will ensure food security and improve climate resilience of the refugees in the settlement. Among the activities to be implemented are fish caging on Lake Oruchinga and establishment of mini-green houses.

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