

Community Integrated Development Initiatives

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Welcoming word from the Executive Director

Dear CIDI Newsletter reader welcome to CIDI's Newsletter!

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First of all, let me take this opportunity to greet our readers and thank all employees, board members, different stakeholders, beneficiaries and donors for the excellent work and the many achievements throughout 2012!

We hope that this Newsletter can be used as a forum to inform you of important happenings at CIDI since in our view sharing information and giving feedback to everyone involved with CIDI is very important!

Our aim is to send out a newsletter on a quarterly basis to update you of future events, report on achievements, give new information on current issues and encourage you to share opinions with CIDI. Meanwhile, if you have any comments or suggestions for future newsletters, please send them directly to CIDI's Communication Manager at cidi@cidiuganda.org.

I hope that you enjoy our Newsletter and that you are looking forward to the next edition!

Dr. Jjuuko Fulgensio

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Important achievements

ADB signing a project about sanitation in Kawempe , Kampala

Signing for a grant from **ADB** (African Development Bank) for sanitation project in Kawempe on Tuesday 2nd April 2013. **CIDI** was represented by the Executive Director – Dr Jjukko Fulgensio, project Manager KUPSIP, Ms Rose Mwambazi and Programmes coordinator CIDI –Mr Dennis Nabembezi.

ADB representative remarked that AWF is the only fund under ADB that gives funds to NGO's and he is grate full that CIDI went through. He is also grateful for the contribution made by ADB in improvement of the lives of the urban poor in Kawempe since they have a right to water and sanitation.

The Executive Director is delighted to have won the award since it was not the first attempt for CIDI to apply for funding to support WASH initiative.

CIDI is one of the best and first NGO's to come up and address poor water and sanitation in urban informal settlements. In conclusion CIDI is delighted to work with a number of partners in execution of the Project i.e. NWSC, NET-WAS, KCCA and private companies.



Signing of contract in ADB office on Kampala with Dr. Jjuuko

MIS Implementation and Training

Community integrated Development Initiative (CIDI); has currently started implementing the organizational Management information system (MIS). This is a platform on which CIDI has decided to share her projects information with different stake holders who are together contributing to poverty reduction in Uganda. The major aim ...continue next page !





MIS training workshop with CIDI staff at Head Office in Muyenga

Flower Festival at CIDI Gardening School

On the 13th on April 2013 the CIDI Training Center for Gardening and Landscaping (TCGL) has set a milestone for a beginning tradition of the "Flower Festival". The "Flower Festival" is an open day at the TCGL which aims to showcase the CIDI TCGL's wide range of activities as an institution.

Firstly, most people do not know that the TCGL is a part of a bigger NGO CIDI improving livelihood by fighting unemployment. So our visitors get to know about the school, its values and goals. They see where and how we train our students and what opportunity the TCGL offers throughout their training and in their future.

Secondly, the TCGL propagates plants and herbs, grows vegetables, produces mushrooms and harvests seeds keeping on changing its flowers and design in order to encourage the knowledge and creativity of the students but also of our customers. Hence, the CIDI TCGL invites everyone to come and enjoy our beautiful designed garden, get to know about gardening and landscaping, stock up on gardening items from different companies building up a network among gardeners, designers, customers and suppliers!

for this step is to enable CIDI manage information of all projects implemented across the country effectively and efficiently.

Therefore particular efforts are made to bring the MIS to the attention of different stake holders and as well monitor service delivery within the organization. The MIS is managed and monitored on a daily basis by the Monitoring and evaluation unit and hence its implementation.

A training was conducted to orient all CIDI staff on how to use the MIS data base. This helps CIDI staff to understand why we have it in place and as well share with our stakeholders and future partners. We believe this initiative will take CIDI to another level of knowledge sharing.

We are looking forward to see you on our next "Flower Festival "welcoming you to our CIDI TCGL network!!! For further Information use website: www.cidigardeningtc.org



Opening of Gardening Festival at CIDI Gardening School

Its not enough to fund the National Budget resource domestically !

Free at last!!!,said Angella as Hon.Maria Kiwanuka the Minister of Finance Planning and Economic Development made a pronouncement that beyond the economic growth of 5.1 % for the past year, Uganda would be funding domestically its budget for the Fiscal year 2013/2014 by over 80%. Little did she know that the sectors she was passionate about would not get the much needed attention into the government's fiscal plan for the new year.

Despite being the largest employer with over 63 %, Agriculture got just 3.3% of the budget at a total of 403.6bn. This has consequences for the health of people especially women and children. Health did not fare any better because despite and here the only smile was over the comprehensive strategy for Malaria eradication but with frowns



for malaria which was not mentioned at ,and worse still nothing specifically for sexual reproductive health. Not even the President's commitment in the London Family Planning summit of 5billions each year for 5 years to cater for reproductive health commodities was funded. The grant for Pediatric HIV treatment and Early Infant Diagnosis is expiring this year and no indications to absorb these costs by the government. Of the 6172 health workers recruited last financial year only half have accessed the payroll so we need to remind government that a motivation package has to be comprehensive including accessing the pay roll and a succession plan in place on top of decent housing ,health commodities and remuneration! The Public health funding did not defer from last year yet our population growth is estimated at 3.2% per annum. The killer is what one of my friends called the Typhoid Tax! Yes the minister proposed the reinstatement of VAT of 18% on domestic water! This is very regressive and the care burden of women will be worsened by the ordeals of access to safe water. This also has a bearing on the retention of children in school and the fight against HIV/AIDs.

Give me my diary calmly, said Angella we need to go for a meeting and chart the way forward sure engagement with government to be responsive has to be continuous process as she sighed! its not enough just to say the budget is domestically funded!

Safe and affordable water access with Coca Cola Africa Foundation

Access to safe and affordable water services is one of the main benefits for people, especially for urban poor. The Coca Cola Africa Foundation in partnership with National Water and Sewage Corporation (NWSC) launched 2011 an 18 month initiative to increase access in Bwaise settlement of Kampala City. The project was benefit residents through improved sanitation installation of 200 pre-paid water meters.

This project brought together Coca Cola Africa with CIDI to address these challenges. NWSC has expanded its water reticulation network and install pre-paid meters while CIDI has undertaken community mobilization, developing advocacy groups, sensitization and strengthening of the local Water Use Committees to ensure that the installed water facilities are sustainable. CIDI also improved solid waste management through awareness campaigns and encouraging proper garbage disposal. ...continue next page!



Drains full of waste gets cleaned and plastic bottles get collected for recycling. After cleaning the drains, small bridges are built with recycled bottle.



Today over 100 pre-paid water meters have been set up and installed and approximately 1.300 households representatives have been mobilized, trained on the system and supplied with consumer tokens to access clean and safe water.

Over 450 community members have been empowered and engaged on several advocacy and sanitation themes. CIDI partnership with Coca Cola Africa was a success.

CIDI bids the outgoing Water Aid in Uganda Country Representative Farewell

CIDI received the news of Alice Anukur the Country Representative of Water Aid in Uganda leaving with mixed feelings as the bonding with her and the Water Aid family had grown strong and cordial. On 14th June the CIDI officially bid Alice farewell and thanked her immensely for the support and guidance she had given to CIDI during her tenure in Office.

This is clearly evidenced by the growth both technical and financial that CIDI has realised during the 3 years of her stewardship at WAU. Despite the strides that CIDI had realised during Alice's tenure, surprisingly she had never vis-

The day was preceded by opening remarks from the Head of the Advocacy Department Mr. Dan Semakula, a speech from the Executive Director of CIDI Dr. Jjuuko Fulgensio, remarks by the Water Aid team and the outgoing Country Representative as well as farewell remarks from each of the members on CIDI management team.

The CIDI family presented Alice with a modest gift and the day was capped by the CR and the rest being treated to a sumptuous dinner courtesy of the CIDI advocacy department.

To Alice we say; you will always be with us and CIDI wishes you well at your next stop over.



Farewell gift from Executive Director to Alice

Up coming events:

Launch of the Kawempe Urban Poor Sanitation Imrovement Project 19/7/2013

Staff	News

Outgoing Staff	the Administrattive Assis-	Dr. Nadjafi Mark from Aus-
Teddy Alidekki the ac-	tant /Office Administrator	tria as new Technical Assis-
countant for school of gar-	Head Office.	tant form Horizont 3000 is
dening.		supporting M&E Department
	Muwonge Mubasira as the	and Communication
New Staffs	credit officer of CIDI	
Okello Martin as the Man-		Nankya Annette as Adminis-
ager School of Gardening	Namuleme Prisca as the	trative assistant
	new accountant/	
Nakigudde Margret as	Administrator Rakai.	Changes in leadership
		Apecho Hellen as the

Advisor in Resource Mobilisation

ht Sam Lukanga as the new team leader in Soroti.
Baby news:
Ldyia Nnakku gave birth to a baby girl on 25th/ April/2013.
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