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**1.1.0 World Action Fund (WAF)** is an indigenous, not-for-profit making, independent organisation operating in Arua district in West Nile sub region and Kampala that is committed to finding sustainable solutions to poverty and emergencies.

Founded in July 2012 by 6 Board members with diverse expertise and registered in May 2014 under Non-Governmental Organisation Registration ACT, CAP.113 Reg No.10625.

WAF operates in Arua district and coordination office in Kampala district, central Uganda with some niche of activities in Maracha, Koboko, Yumbe, Zombo, Nebbi, Moyo and Adjumani and Kampala District.

### **1.1.1 GOAL**

Our ultimate goal is to focus on improving various areas of community life and fundamental human rights.

### **1.1.2 VISION**

Holistic and sustainable support to all the Communities

### **1.1.3 MISSION**

Improving quality of life of vulnerable and marginalized individuals in Uganda and refugees, by empowerment through interventions that reduce poverty

### **1.1.4 AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

- Promote quality education and training to students and teachers
- To Empower youth and Women in livelihood support income generation in businesses and capacity building and skills improvement for sustained income through vocational training

- Promote good health among the communities
- Promoting Water, Hygiene and Sanitation in local communities and refugees
- To promote transparency, human rights and defense
- Improves incomes through agricultural and enterprise investments

### 1.2.0 COMMUNITY OUTREACH

WAF undertakes community program activities in Arua district and Kampala, with the aim of empowering youth and women and refugee communities.

The overall objective of the programme is to improve the livelihood and quality education of the beneficiaries.

#### 1.2.1 Community Training Workshops

WAF team carried out training sessions for Burundian refugees in Kampala in arts and crafts that was attended by women, youth, and local communities in Nsambya, all of whom pledged to train their respective communities on livelihoods and responsibilities.

In Arua district, we have started youths' skilling program by 2017, it will be in full operation.

With partner Teach A man To Fish, UK, we organised teachers workshop on school enterprise challenge to improve on the skills of teachers and students in businesses.

#### 1.2.2 Community Health Promotion

During the year, with the support from Vitamin Angels, USA we received donated vitamin nutrients and deworming tablets for Arua for 1,500 children, with the view of expansion to other areas in the region. Due to logistical challenges, we are yet to distribute the goods to the communities in Terego county in Arua district, we hoped to expand to other regions in Uganda.

WAF currently through partners eg UNHCR is lobbying to improvement of the health facilities of Omugo Health Centre IV, that is in sorry state



*The pit latrine is filled up no new one this can bring cholera during rain season, staff also use the same pit latrine*

*An open bathe room for maternity patients used by all patients admitted here for bathing with drainage channel and soak pit*



*Side view*



*small fridge with expired vaccines and reagents awaiting disposal of the drugs the fridge has no power, the centre takes vaccines and reagents to Otumbari Mission Health centre*

### **1.2.3 Improvement of the standard tools for monitoring and evaluation**

The standard training evaluation tool that is used to evaluate the ToT for arts and crafts sessions in Nsambya for Burundian refugees was improved by simplifying the questions and adding in other easier ones.

### **1.2.4 Opening of Kampala Office**

In order to strengthen community outreach work in Uganda and further collaboration and partnership within the region and other development partners there, WAF opened a coordination office in central Uganda (Kampala) and obtained permit for operations under NGO board. This was aimed at taking outreach services closer to the communities, and to enable easier monitoring and evaluation of their activities.

### **1.2.5 Arua regional office:**

WAF has presence in Arua to set up a vocational centre in town, it's in initial stages of taking off due to limited funding to facilitate the trainers, it has taken off slowly and we have merged with local CBO called YECIA, to train the youths on various vocational skills. We are looking partners to implement this project together, We received some tools and equipment from TWAM UK.



### 1.2.6 Refugee support and Assessment

A baseline survey was conducted in Bidi Bidi refugee settlement and refugees were interviewed to determine their level of rights and responsibilities, including their safety. The assessment was found that most refugees at the settlement lacked adequate food ratio for the normal person, this report was among the OPM and UNHCR and other development partners.



inadequate food at the refugee settlement, each refugee is given 5kg by this date of assessment in November 2016, the same food ration was reduced to half <https://goo.gl/Dt5CpK> and <https://goo.gl/i5XxDv> this may cause stunted growth and other sicknesses as a result of poor nutrition among the children among the refugee populations and poor sanitation and hygiene, health at the settlement is a key challenge that needs to be addressed.

### 1.2.7 Burundian refugees

WAF has engaged in skilling Burundian refugee communities leaving in Uganda with art and craft training, this will make them earn after selling these products to the market. The Volunteer project *Mrs. Suavis Cetegetse* is a Burundian refugee, who manages the project, we train the trainers to train the refugee communities and local communities in Kampala, the service will be extended to Nakivali settlements, to support the Burundian leaving conditions <https://goo.gl/fcv66k>. WAF has placed emphasis in improving the conditions refugees in these settlements by settling an enterprise and access to local and global markets.



Burundian refugee art and craft exhibition in Kampala      Our Volunteer Mrs.Suavis in middle build a house for a refugee woman inset laying brick



### 1.2.8 School performance

The overall performance in schools in Arua district has not improved much in public schools except in private schools, there is need for urgent training for teachers, and WAF is in partnership with Teach A man to Fish and Gwanga Parents Uganda to share the role model used in other regions and at international levels.



### 1.2.9 Networking

WAF Executive Director participated in the UNCTA 14 in Nairobi from 17-22 July 2016, conference on Trade and development, take attacks CSO all over the works. This was an opportunity for learning, sharing and being exposed to a wide range of CSOs and government entities issues across the globe especially the common issues and solutions that exit amongst developing countries. Contacts were got, a lot of documentation on different issues were also received. All these were passed on to the WAF staff and members. They help to strengthen the advocacy that WAF is carrying out on access to essential services for the poor.



The coalition believes in effective mobilisation, creation of cohesion through building strong membership and networking so as to have a strong coalition. This was an on-going exercise, done through face to face discussions, e-mail; telephone; letters, personal contacts; meetings and workshops. The coalition mailing and whatsapp list is continuously being updated as well as the physical telephone and email contacts. The Coalition has made a tremendous achievement in attracting competent volunteers and more members. More effort is now being made to make partner organisations to commit specific personnel to attend meetings and input into the advocacy as part of their routine work. This was recommended at the last strategic and planning meeting.

**1.3.0 UNICEF, approved WAF to engage in vaccination campaign in Arua**, this was a voluntary exercise and WAF was invited for Central Planning meeting with other stake holders at Ministry Health Board room, Kampala, this exercise was conducted from **April to May 2016** Video clip <https://youtu.be/Yo8HdLT-mMY>

Details of activities	Location	Remarks
Awareness campaign	<p><b>Arua district Admin units</b></p> <p><b>Aru Hill Division-</b> Awindiru ward, Nsambya South Arua Academy,</p> <p><b>Pajulu Subcounty:</b> Terego Alengo, Ewanyapa, Komite</p> <p><b>Omugo subcounty:</b>Duka Village, Omugo Trading Centre, Ullepi, Mutte</p>	<p>Good attendance, Children were brought earlier in the morning for vaccination. Mrs Ajidiru preparing to vaccinate a child in Nsambya Ward in Arua town</p>  <p>A woman preparing a child in Duka village in Omugo Sub county for vaccination</p> 
Vaccination efficacy and packaging	All locations visited	The packaging vaccines in Awindiri by VHC volunteer, it's observed in most areas visited was good and temperature maintained +2 to +8 C





District planning meeting for vaccination

RDC's office Interested stake holders attended



The meeting was well attended, issues of insufficient funds for VHCs were raised, the district medical officer emphasized, this voluntary service is should be done to help our children, the ministry has no enough budget.

All stakeholders were involved including WAF. WAF emphasized

		<p>in the meeting the VHC to be more efficient in their respective villages, issues of late arrival and lack of funds should be left out. And more handling of vaccines in cold chain with monitored thermometers</p> 
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### 1.3.1 New Board Members

World Action Fund received new board members in August 2016 from Italy and Germany, Maria Cristina Pilati and Wolfgang Enderle who are helping us in programing, networking and fundraising for the organisation, this is to boost our volunteer charity program and enterprise development, the board has now six members

### 1.3.2 Local and International Partners

#### *Local Partners*

Rural Initiative for Community Empowerment: RICE [www.riceuganda.org](http://www.riceuganda.org)

Forum for Education NGOs in Uganda (FENU) [www.fenu.org.ug](http://www.fenu.org.ug)

Local government of Arua

REHORE-Restoration and Hope for Refugees [www.rehore.org.ug](http://www.rehore.org.ug)

Gwanga Power, Uganda

#### *International Partners*

Anike Foundation Inc USA [www.anikefoundation.org](http://www.anikefoundation.org)

Girls Not Brides: [www.girlsnotbrides.org](http://www.girlsnotbrides.org)

Teach A Man To Fish: [www.teachamantofish.org.uk](http://www.teachamantofish.org.uk) School Enterprise Projects: Arua

[www.educationthatpaysforitself.org](http://www.educationthatpaysforitself.org)

[www.schoolenterprisechallenge.com](http://www.schoolenterprisechallenge.com)

Vitamin Angels, US [www.vitaminangels.org](http://www.vitaminangels.org)

ACORD: <http://www.acordinternational.org/>