



VOLUNTEER PROJECT PROPOSAL

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Project Title:	Chiondwe Community Clinic Renovation
Project Location:	Chiondwe, Mzimba
Project's Main Area of Focus:	Health
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Executive Summary

Provide a summary of the need or problem, objective, project design, and desired outcomes. This summary will be used to briefly describe your entire project. It will be used by itself in some descriptions of what we are doing. Make sure you include your focus of change - education, health, small business development, urban planning and infrastructure, agriculture, the environment, etc.

The project seeks to address the health-related problems that are in the Chiondwe community due to the lack of a properly constructed clinic. Through the renovation of an existing community clinic building, it will be easier for community members to access health services. The main objective of this project is to provide easy access to basic health services such as childhood immunizations, pre-natal counselling, youth-friendly health services, and limited first aid care. The project is designed to build capacity of the community members by mobilising them to partake in various activities to renovate the clinic building. This includes moulding bricks, providing sand at the site, and helping in the building of the clinic building. It will also build capacity by providing a conducive environment for people to access medical services. The existence of a functional clinic may also lead to expanded healthcare services in the future. The expected project cost is 1,959, 818.66 million Malawi Kwacha

Community Background

First describe the community in general and then describe the background specific to this project. How does the community plan to contribute to this project?

Chiondwe is a community in the south of Mzimba District. The district is located in the Northern part of Malawi. Chiondwe is divided between two Traditional Authorities, T/A Mzikubola and T/A Mzukuzuku. It has two senior groups: Mlapamani Nyasulu and Chiwole Zgambo. The notable institution in the community is Chiondwe primary school. There is also Chimwemwe nursery school, which was built in Mlapamani village with the help of a CorpsAfrica volunteer. The main source of income in my community is through farming, piece work, and remittances from South Africa. The area has a total population of close to 5,000 people, with close to 2,000 living in a radius of 1km.

Project Opportunity Statement

What need has the community chosen to

Chiondwe area has no health facility. People walk a distance of about 8km to get help from a nearest health center at Vibangalala.

<p>address? What project has the community decided to pursue? Include a description of how the community arrived at the decision to pursue this project. How did the community narrow its focus to this project?</p>	<p>Sometimes, people walk to Vibangalala without getting any help, as the nurses and medication are not always available at the hospital. There is also a hospital at Embangweni, called Loudon Mission Hospital. This hospital is at a distance of close to 10km, and it is a more expensive private hospital. There is no proper road to Chiondwe, therefore motorbikes, oxen and bicycles are the only transport. Once every month, a health worker comes to the area for the under-five and maternal clinic, but they conduct their work at a church building.</p> <p>For so long, the local people have struggled to easily access medical services nearby and opted for a clinic. The absence of a clinic building has resulted in not having any health personnel staying and working in the community. This has increased the health-related problems the community faces. It is through this problem that they reached a point of deciding to pursue this project.</p> <p>As part of their solution to this health problem, in 1992 a clinic building was built with the help of Roman Catholic missionaries. The building was operating, but since the roof was grass thatched, it was not strong, and the wind blew it off. That is why people could not use it again and found a temporary place at a church building. Though a portion of the wall collapsed because of the long duration since it was built, other walls are still strong and renovating it will bring the building back to life. This time they have opted to continue working on the project as this will ease the problem of them receiving medical services from far away. The community is determined to work on the project. Part of their community contribution will be rendering their services to work on the building. The clinic will serve to provide medical services including (but not limited to): under-five clinic services like immunizations; pre-natal lessons and trainings; youth-friendly health services; and first-aid treatment. A healthcare provider will be allocated and housed in the community, and the clinic will be opened at least twice every two weeks. The health surveillance assistant will be responsible for providing first aid treatment, youth friendly services and General knowledge concerning health issues. A clinical officer, who usually conducts the prenatal and under-five clinic will also work hand in hand with the Health surveillance assistant to administer help to prenatal and under-five clinic.</p>
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Objectives	
<p>What are the objectives of the project? Or, what will indicate that the problem is being solved or has been solved? List 3-5 objectives that the project will attain. All objective statements</p>	<p>The goal of the project is to provide a conducive environment for people who access health services at the clinic. The objectives are mainly aimed at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing the distance covered to reach to the nearby health facilities to an approximate of not more than 5 kilometers by November 2020. • To make health services such as immunizations, under-five

<p>need to include these elements: Specific, Measurable, Action, Realistic, and Time.</p> <p>Your objectives will also be listed on your Project M&E Plan.</p>	<p>clinic and pre-natal services readily accessible in the community by November 2020.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure that almost 50% of the community members are provided with health information and training by December 2020.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To encourage 70% of expectant women and under-five children through their mothers get the necessary medical support and help from the Health Surveillance Assistant by October 2020. To encourage 40% of the women that shun prenatal services due to the current meeting place to attend the Clinic by December 2020.

Logic Framework					
<p>Remember, the logic goes in both directions: If you start with Outcomes then the logic goes from the far left to right. When you start with Activities then the logic goes from far right to left.</p>	<p>Goal: Over-arching aim of project.</p>				
	<p>To provide a conducive environment for people who access health services at the clinic.</p>				
	<p>OUTCOMES: <i>What immediate outcomes of the project would you like to achieve?</i></p>	<p>RESULTS INDICATORS: <i>How do you measure the result?</i></p>	<p>RESULTS: <i>What will be the result of doing that activity?</i></p>	<p>ACTIVITIES INDICATORS: <i>For each activity, what indicators will measure the completion of that activity?</i></p>	<p>ACTIVITIES: <i>What activities must be implemented to reach each outcome?</i></p>
	<p>Availability of 20 by 15 metres of land</p>	<p>20 by 15 meters of land identified</p>	<p>Availability of land</p>	<p>1. size of land</p>	<p>1. Identification of land to mould bricks</p>
	<p>5000 bricks placed at the site of construction</p>	<p>Count the number of bricks</p>	<p>5000 burned bricks readily available</p>	<p>1. Number of moulded bricks available. 2. Number of kiln-dried</p>	<p>1. Moulding of bricks 2. Kiln-drying the bricks</p>
	<p>All other required construction materials available</p>	<p>check list of all required other construction materials</p>	<p>Availability of all other required construction materials</p>	<p>mobilized other construction materials e.g sand, quarry stone, iron sheets, cement</p>	<p>Mobilization of other construction materials e.g sand, quarry stone, iron sheets, cement</p>
<p>Fully finished clinic building</p>	<p>percentage of work done</p>	<p>completed clinic</p>	<p>number of man days</p>	<p>clinic renovation</p>	

Project Design

The project is expected to have four main stages that will be implemented within eight weeks. The first phase will be meeting with the chiefs and the community to share with them about the initial start of the project. This is a crucial stage since it will ensure that the committee, the chiefs and the community are on the same page with the volunteer by taking full responsibility and ownership of their own project as they work to implement it.

The second phase will involve mobilizing people and resources so that the resources are available at the site. It will also ensure that the people needed to help with unskilled labour are identified from every village. The volunteer and the committee will facilitate the bringing of resources at the site like sand, quarry stone and continue bringing bricks at the site. This is expected to take a period of four days from 6 to 10 August. This phase is crucial because it will ensure that Almost 80% of the in-kind resources are available at the site as water will be brought at a daily basis.

The third phase will require accounting for community cash contributions and handing it over to the committee so that it added with the grants given and procurement of materials and supplies starts. The procurement might take a period of three days from 12 to 14 August 2020. This phase is crucial because it will ensure that almost all the equipment needed is readily available for use.

The fourth phase will be the initial construction work done at the clinic site. This will focus on renovating the walls, fitting of the roof and windows, flooring, plastering, painting and making sure that the project is complete. In this phase there will also be final touches being done so that the project is complete and fully operational. This is the main and crucial phase of the project since it will ensure that the project is being implemented. The phase will run within five weeks from 17 August to 21 September 2020.

Gantt Chart

	Task	Weeks							
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Community meeting on the initial start of the project	■							
2	mobilizing people and resources		■						
3	accounting for community cash contribution and procurement of materials			■					
4	Construction				■	■	■	■	■