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#### FFLG Grant Report September, 2021

**Funding Source:** Food For Life Global (<a href="https://ffl.org/">https://ffl.org/</a>) application by Nirvikalpini Nithya, Starlight Family volunteer.

**Amount Received:** £688.99 (\$1000)

# Message from the Director

Starlight Family Charity Organization uses this chance to thank Food for Life Global for having enabled us to activate the Starlight Family nearby gardens to move on producing our own food which is needed to feed both the children in the orphanage centre and the vulnerable household people in the community.

#### **Background**

Starlight Family Charity has 2 1/2 acres of land outside Nasuuna village, Buzibwera parish, Kiboga, Uganda where organic vegetable crops are grown. The food crops are used to provide vulnerable adults and children in the local community with the means to make nutritious meals. However this year our usual crops have not been available to us as we missed planting in the rainy season due to financial and logistical constraints and we do not yet have a year round source of water on the farm. This has meant that we have had to buy grains and vegetables with donations from well wishers as and when they became available to us. Unprecedented events resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic mean that food security is even more important than ever for our beneficiaries. Due to a lack of money in order to plant the farm during the current rainy season a grant application was made to Food For Life Global (FFLG) to purchase tools and seeds and to pay for workers to clear and plant the ground. The amount asked for was \$629.60 and a grant of \$1000 was awarded with FFLG allowing the difference to be spent on clearing and planting the land belonging to Starlight Family near the school and children's home which is approximately 1 ½ acres. The crops grown on this other piece of land will also be used to provide food for those in need in the local community.

#### **Target Communities:**

Namunyuka/Nakasagazi, Goyero and Kikwata Mbogo Village Communities, Uganda, East Africa

### **Target Beneficiaries:**

Vulnerable elderly and children.

By planting the farm and growing food crops we will be able to provide more food than if we just buy it directly. Crops will be harvested from mid December to early 2022. We anticipate that the amount of vegetables planted will be able to feed 20 vulnerable elderly adults and the grandchildren that they care for as well as the children who live in the Starlight Family Children's home. If the growing season is good and

provides a good harvest, in total approximately 80 people will receive enough vegetables to cook two meals a day for a month (4 weeks) which is a total of 4,480 meals. By planting the land around the school and children's home we hope to be able to provide vegetables for an extra 2,000 meals as well being able to save some seeds to give to people in the community to be planted in the future.

## **Expenditure**

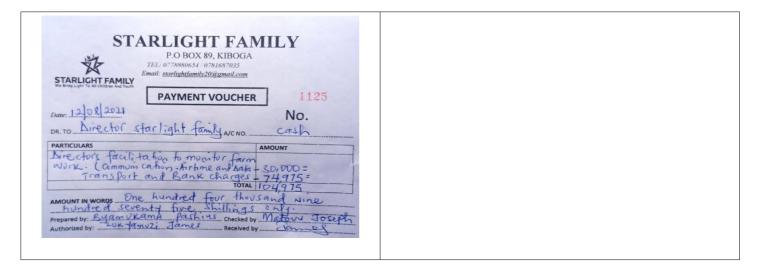
## **Activating and Planting the Organic Farm**

Item	Amount	Unit cost	Total	Approx £*	Receipt Details
Tools					
Hoes	12	12,000	144,000	29.56	Allah Munene General Hard Ware Ltd 12/8/2021
Watering Cans	4	15,000	60,000	12.32	
Rakes	4	10,000	40,000	8.21	
Slashers	4	8,000	32,000	6.57	
Pangs	4	20,000	80,000	16.42	
		total	356,000	73.08	
Labour					
Labour for bush clearing and digging including food and transport for the labourers	12 people for 7 days	120,000 x 7	840,000	172.45	Starlight Family payment voucher (cash) to Alex Kakooza (workforce manager) 12/8/2021 Checked by Matovu Joseph
Soap for workers	2 boxes	73,000	146,000	29.97	BA Byaka Traders 12/8/2021
		total	986,000	202.42	
Seeds					
Irish Potatoes	2 sacks	150,00	300,000	61.59	Get Farm (U) Ltd 12/8/2021
Cassava	2 sacks	50,000	100,000	20.53	
Beans	100kg	3,500	350,000	71.85	
Sweet potato slips	2 sacks	20,000	40,000	8.21	
		total	790,000	162.18	
Other					
Administration (transport for the director, bank charges, communications-internet data and phone charges)		104,975	104,975	21.55	Starlight Family payment voucher (cash) to director Lukyamuzi James 12/08/2021 Checked by Matovu Joseph
FINAL TOTAL			2,236,975	459.23	

<sup>\*</sup> Equivalent GBP exchange rate fluctuates daily

### Receipts for the farm





## Activating and Planting the Land Around the School and Children's Home

Items	Amount	Unit Cost	Total	Approx £*	Receipt Details
Tools					
Hoes	4	12,000	48,000	9.85	Allah Munene General Hard Ware Ltd 14/8/2021
Watering can	2	15,000	30,000	6.16	
Pangs	2	8,000	16,000	3.28	
Rakes	2	20,000	40,000	8.21	
		total	134,000	27.55	
Labour					
Bush Clearing	5 people for 5 days	10,000 pp per day	250,000	51.32	Starlight Family payment voucher (cash) to Namusisi Margret (workforce manager) 14/8/2021 Checked by Matovu Joseph
Digging	5 people for 5 days	10,000 pp per day	250,000	51.32	
Feeding and transport	6 people	15,000 pp	90,000	18.48	
Soap for workers	1 box	73,000	73,000	14.99	Omuron & Family 14/8/2021
		total	663000	136.11	
Seeds					
Irish Potatoes	1 sack	86,200	86,200	17.7	Get Farm (U) Ltd 14/8/2021
Beans	40 kg	3,500/kg	140,000	28.74	
		total	226200	46.44	
Other					
Transport (fuel)			50,000	10.26	Starlight Family payment voucher (cash) to director Lukyamuzi James
Communitcation s (data)			35,000	7.19	
Bank charges			4,009	0.82	14/08/2021 Checked by Matovu Joseph
		total	89,009	18.27	
FINAL TOTAL			1,112,209	228.37	

# Receipts for the land around the school and children's Home

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#### **Income / Expenditure Overview**

The money was sent in two transactions whilst we waited for the decision on whether we could make use of the extra money. We had not budgeted for the transaction fees and so some of these additional costs of 24,000 UGX that fell outside of the grant were met by a private donation

Project	Grant Income Received and Sent	Total spent UGX	
	£672.25 ( \$1000 converted to £688.99 minus £16.74 PayPal fees )		
To activate and plant the farm	<b>2,212,975.00 UGX</b> (£455.04 = £449.81 sent and £5.23 Wise sending fee )	2236975	
iarnling the school and	<b>1,112,209.00 UGX</b> (£231.46 = £228.32 sent and transfer fees £3.14)	1112209	
Total received by Starlight family.	3325184 UGX (£678.13)	3349184	

#### **Social Media Links**

Check out the following links to see some of the pictures and videos about the work. More to follow to show the crops growing and being harvested / distributed.

http://starlightfamily.org/food-for-life/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7RHcxh0A4C8

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0mimjuo0xNk

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=948q1pFF hY

https://www.instagram.com/tv/CTgjWjlCCmg/?utm source=ig web copy link

https://www.instagram.com/p/CTdAcCLhWje/?utm source=ig web copy link

https://www.instagram.com/tv/CTc57FZBmv7/?utm\_source=ig\_web\_copy\_link

#### **Challenges and Action Points**

There was a delay in the labour needed to activate the farm as the workers asked to finish their home gardens first in order to make use of the coming rains and help with their own food security. The farm work was

further delayed as the director had a bike accident and was unable to oversee the farm planting until he had recovered a little. The farm work was however completed in time to make use of the seasonal rain.

## **Report Compiled by:**

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Planting the garden around the school and children's home