

Project update:

Improving water and sanitation in Tanzania

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Over the last few years, you have given a generous donation towards improving access to clean water, sanitation, and hygiene for children and families in Tanzania. We are pleased to provide you with an update on the progress your support has helped to achieve thus far.



Impacts made possible by your gift

Plan has been successfully implementing large-scale improvements in sanitation and hygiene since 2012. Some of the accomplishments to date are:

- **3,448** households in the project's area changed from open to fixed-place defecation out of 4,895 households annual target
- **100%** of **355** schools reached in program districts conducting participatory teaching of hygiene
- **71%** of **355** schools have active School Health Clubs
- **597** district staff trained on Sanitation Wash And Hygiene (SWAH) guidelines and Good Governance
- **15,250** additional people (from 845 in 2014) have access to improved toilets
- **13,565** of people have access to hand washing facilities
- **Fully trained** Community Resource Persons (CORPS) and Artisans in relation to sanitation, such as, materials, building, marketing, and instruction, established in each community
- Half of the villages formed active micro-finance groups allowing community members access to funds to build proper latrines
- **388** soft loans were issued to micro-finance members, of which **294** latrines have been built

Reach

828,444 community members
165,056 students in **355** primary and secondary schools
3,913 teachers
60 national facilitators
60 local government officials,
720 district staff
205 village leaders



The Global Sanitation Fund will match your gift to this initiative **8:1**, stretching the value and impact of your philanthropic investment.



Education is key

With poverty being a pressing issue in the remote villages of Tanzania, sanitation and hygiene have not always been a major concern.

Education about the issues that can be caused from open defecation and improper hand-washing, as well as constructed examples of a proper latrine, have proved essential in establishing a successful water sanitation program.

Supported by Plan, community members established Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLA) to facilitate the building of latrines. VSLA's are also able to maximize buying power and to ensure that new latrines are built properly.

School sanitation groups were created to ensure that children were practicing proper hygiene at school and taking that education home to their families. These groups also empower children by providing them with the communication and public speaking skills they need to be able to take on a leadership role in educating their communities.

VSLA's, artisans, CORPS and school groups are an integral part of the sanitation project. They have to be role models to their communities in many aspects of the project ranging from money management and education to latrine construction and rehabilitation.

Thank you

Your gift is giving far more than water and sanitation. Your generosity is helping to bring health and happiness to children, families, and communities in Tanzania. Thank you!



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