



2010 ANNUAL REPORT



MISSION: To assist the poor rural communities of Tanzania, Africa, with life's basic necessities – to become healthier, better educated, and more self sustaining.

ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE: To become an umbrella organization, which analyzes the basic needs of a community, and then, through this and other cooperating service agencies, lays out and carries out a plan for improvement in that community, to improve health, growth, and survival.

OVERALL STRATEGIC GOAL: To substantially improve the lot of 5 rural villages in Central Tanzania in the next 10 years. (2005 – 2015)

ACCOMPLISHMENTS/HIGHLIGHTS OF 2010

1. **ORGANIZATION GROWTH** - The organization continues on its path of growing. We now have completed 5 years and are half way into year 6. We are on track to complete helping 5 villages in 10 years. Also, we have now been certified for 3 years by the Charities Review Council after meeting their 16 very rigorous Accountability Standards.
2. **OUR HIV/AIDS PROGRAM** – Our partner – Abbott Fund (Abbott Labs from Chicago), has graced us with \$54,000 of grants through 2010 for HIV/AIDS. We are most grateful as we now can serve 150 HIV victims + 100 orphans of victims. Our service area is the villages of Mtumba, Vikonje, and Ihumwa – known as the Mtumba Warde. We are on track to receive another \$25,000 grant in January 2011 for the 2011 year.
3. **OUR NGO OFFICE IN DODOMA, TANZANIA** – Our loyal staff of 2 great Tanzanians continues to serve our collective needs very well!! This is an extremely important part of our mission, as these people carry out all of our activity with the local villages, with extensive planning and coordinating, getting estimates, negotiating contracts, paying bills, keeping 3 bank accounts up to date, and reporting back to us for control. Our 1995 Mitsubishi SUV has been serving us well, especially after a new set of tires and major engine repair (engine overhaul).
4. **CHISICHILI & CHIKOLA VILLAGE ASSISTANCE** - In Chisichili, we finished the final phase of our water system which was to build a cattle trough. Then, the small neighboring village of 500 called Chikola, needed water too. We made arrangements that if these people dug 1.5 miles of trenches, we would get them water from the Chisichili water system. They have done it, and we have complied and given them their own clean water. They are absolutely elated!!
5. **KISIMA CHA NDEGE VILLAGE ASSISTANCE** – Having completed a new reservoir and miles of trenches and pipes in 2009, in 2010 we replaced the old delapidated pump, pumphouse, and engine, with a large new sump pump, generator, and upgraded pumphouse. The village is now bursting with happy faces with the clean water flowing for them!!! No more water from the slimy green surface well as we are now completed. Hopefully, health will be restored soon!!
6. **VIKONJE VILLAGE ASSISTANCE** – We were approached by an ambitious group of women from this village requesting help with a small business of theirs. They had 4 groups of 10 ladies with a total of 800 chickens, and needed to build a house to protect their chickens. They helped bring this dream to reality with a lot of hard work. They dug the footing trench, hauled sand and rock, chiseled the rock into small stones for cement, and transported finished cement block to the site. We built them the building with 4 sections for the 4 groups of women with walls, roof, doors and windows. The building is nearing completion and these women are extremely grateful. Our website has many pictures of them working to bring this thing to completion.
7. **MATUMBULU VILLAGE ASSISTANCE** – This was our new project for 2010. There are about 5000 people living in this village, and another 10,000 people in neighboring villages come here to an open cistern to get clean water when the system is working. Unfortunately the system is old, delapidated, and not functioning at all. The biggest need was for a new submersible pump, generator and pumphouse, as the 60 year old system was basically dead. We have now completed the total renovation of this well with new equipment and have moved on to building them a new reservoir and repairing some of the old distribution lines. We have yet to finish the new distribution system with extension lines and more distribution points. All is scheduled for 2011.
8. **ANNUAL TRIP – SEPTEMBER** – Normally 3 or 4 of us go to Tanzania each September to check the progress on our projects, and set a plan for the following year. However, in 2010, we decided that we would do a reversal of that, and bring our 2 Tanzania workers to Minnesota to report on the situation there. It was also a reward for 5 years of faithful service by Ben and Vincent. They made reports to 4 different donor groups here, and were very well received!! All associated costs were covered by special private donations outside the realm of the Tanzania Life Project.
9. **WEBSITE UPDATES**– Our website @ www.tanzanialifeproject.org continues to be updated with exciting new pictures and stories about programs and progress being made. Please visit us there to get the full story of everything that has happened!

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Established in 2005

TOTAL PROJECTS TO DATE – 2005 – 2010 - \$568,902

Financial Position – 2010

Management of this organization is accomplished primarily by the volunteer and unpaid efforts of the Chair & Founder James Vanderheyden. This explanation is offered to help to explain the relatively low amount of our Management Expenses.

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash	15,583
TOTAL ASSETS	15,583

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Debt	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	0

PROGRAM SERVICES

Dodoma Area villages	53,815
HIV/AIDS program – Mtumba Warde	20,000*
Local NGO office	15,936**
Total Prog. Svcs. Exp.	89,751

SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES

Management	1,184
Fundraising	2,385
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TOTAL EXPENSES	93,320
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2010 INCOMING REVENUE	99,773
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Change in Net Assets	6,453
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* This portion is funded by our partner – the Abbott Fund from Abbott labs

** Includes \$1802 for major 1995 vehicle repair (engine overhaul)