

SOS Malta in Uganda

Water as an Entry Point to Community Development

What is SOS Malta?



- A non-governmental organisation (NGO) founded in 1991
- Works with local and international partners in Malta and overseas
- Four main pillars of activities: Overseas Development, Social Solidarity, Volunteering, and Research and Training
- Assists all people through projects of a social, charitable and sustainable nature
- Advocates on behalf of poor and disadvantaged groups helping them to achieve improved quality of life
- Helps enhance the knowledge and skills of those it serves and promotes models of good care and practice

Overseas Development

The Millennium Development Goals

In the year 2000, 189 countries promised to make the world a better place!



















SOS Malta's Overseas Development Pillar

- SOS Malta emphasises the importance of the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, in particular MDG 7.
- SOS Malta focuses its overseas development interventions on: Water and Sanitation.

Target 3: Halve, by 2015, the proportion of the population without sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation

Why does SOS Malta Focus on Water?



- Every year 1.8 million children die as a result of diarrhea
- Every day millions of girls and women collect water for their families- reinforcing gender inequalities in employment and education.
- There are 443 million lost school days each year from water related illnesses
- Access to water is a BASIC NEED and a fundamental HUMAN RIGHT
- Access to <u>clean, reliable</u> water equips people to get themselves out of poverty and make positive contributions to society

Water is Essential for Human Development



Ensuring attainment of water and sanitation is key for achievement of other MDGs to ensure lives and livelihoods of the global population

- To support progress in education
- To support maternal health
- To improve health and combat diseases
- To support gender equality
- Contribute to poverty reduction and to enhance dignity



SOS Malta's Overseas Development Pillar

SOS MALTA BRINGS WATER TO SCHOOLS IN UGANDA

An entry point into community development



Water and Sanitation Uganda

- Approximately 1/3 of the population of Uganda do not have access to water
- Poor water and sanitation leads to high mortality rates and an increased risk of disease. Infant mortality rate is 130/1000
- 26,000 children under five die each year from diarrhea
- 30.3% of populations in rural areas lack access to adequate sanitation and hygiene facilities
- Current population growth will triple water demand by 2035

SOS Malta Projects - Rainwater Harvesting



- Safe, cleaner and more reliable source of water
- Simple, inexpensive, easy to maintain and applicable globally
- Frees up women and children's time. Improves Health and education, especially for girls.
- Empowering people to improve their livelihoods, providing them with more security and choices
- Supports livelihoods through agriculture, livestock, fisheries and small scale enterprises



SOS Malta implemented rainwater harvesting projects in Namagoma, in the Masaka District of Uganda, in 2009

This was carried out with the support of Malta's Official Development Assistance (ODA)









This work was centrally focused around St. Kizito Primary School





Priority areas undertaken by SOS Malta

- Renovation of all existing tanks
- Digging the necessary trenches for new piping
- Guttering all around the roofs of the school
- Renovation of the school
- Training the teachers in collaboration with Kyamsansala School
- Food Programme for the school children







Priority areas undertaken by SOS Malta

- Eradication of jiggers for the school children
- Distribution of one pair of shoes for each child attending the school
- Employment of a nurse to visit all village families for a health assessment
- Exposure to the concept of social enterprises





SOS Malta involved and trained persons living in the village

The RWH project enabled the full participation of the community in taking pride of their children's well-being





SOS Malta implemented rainwater harvesting projects in the Jinja District of Uganda in 2010

This was carried out with the support of Malta's Official Development Assistance (ODA) and Vascas Jewellers





SOS Malta focused its rainwater harvesting projects on three schools, Njeru Primary School, St. Stephen's Primary School and St. Peter's Primary School

In total, over 800 children attend these schools





Work carried out by SOS Malta

- Each school was supplied with 5000 litre water tanks
- Two teachers' quarters were also supplied with 2000 litre water tanks
- A well with a capacity of approximately 30 to 40 thousand litres was dug to store the overcharge of the water tank installed at Njeru Primary School
- Redecorating was carried out at Njeru Primary School



Striking water at a depth of around 25 feet



Local workers were engaged to install the RWH systems including the building of the concrete stands for the tanks and the guttering

A team of local labourers were also working on the redecorating of Njeru Primary School





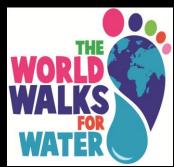
Vascas Jewellers also supported the installation of a computer lab in St Bernadette's Primary School



Malta Walks for Water 2011

- In 2011, SOS Malta launched a campaign for World Water Day of March 2011 as part of "The World Walks for Water", a global movement to raise awareness on the global water and sanitation crisis and to demand action for change
- Website www.maltawalksforwater.org





2011 Corporate Partners and Sponsors:

- Vascas
- Professional

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- Cleland and Souchet
- Orienta
- 240 Limited
- Alert

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SOS Malta implemented rainwater harvesting and renovation projects and educational and recreational activities in Primary Schools across the Jinja District of Uganda in 2011

This was carried out with the support of Malta's Official Development Assistance (ODA), SOS Malta's Corporate Partners and Sponsors and a team of volunteers







The team of volunteers from Malta and England was made up of representatives from Vascas Jewellers, Professional Marketing Services and Cleland and Souchet and nine other volunteers





Rainwater harvesting projects:

- Four 2000 litre water tanks at Nyenga Girls Primary School
- Two 2000 litre water tanks at Bugungu Primary School
- Four 2000 litre water tanks at Bukaya Primary School







Renovation project of Luwala Primary School and support:

- Renovation of a two-classroom block
- Renovation of two water tanks
- Removal and treatment of jiggers
- Provision of shoes, cups for porridge, charts and posters
- Educational and recreational activities







Educational and recreational activities and support at St Bernadette's Primary School:

 Educational and recreational activities such as arts and crafts, reading, music, sports etc...

Provision of desks, playground structures and charts and

posters





SOS Malta implemented rainwater harvesting projects on the two Kisima Islands in the Jinja District of Uganda in 2012

This was carried out with the support of Malta's Ministry for Resources and Rural Affairs through the Climate Change Initiative





Rainwater harvesting projects:

Kisima 1: Five 2000 litre water tanks

Kisima 2: Five 2000 litre water tanks







SOS Malta also carried out a feasibility study for a fish farming project in the Jinja District of Uganda in 2012

The first phase of this project will be implemented in 2012 with the support of Malta's Official Development Assistance (ODA)



Malta Walks for Water 2012

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