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AQUA AND AGRICULTURE INITIATIVE

PROFILE

Organization's Name: Aqua & Agricultural Initiative

Organization Type: Non-governmental

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Introduction

Famine and drought are the greatest calamities that have continually hit Kenya over the past few years. This has been an issue from as long as the history of Kenya can be extended. The perpetual droughts and famines have claimed thousands of lives for both humans and livestock. Despite many efforts that have been made by the government and people, little improvement has been made.

The poor state of food insecurity in Kenya has been contributed to by the fact that the larger part of the country is arid and semi-arid. Kenya is not rich in minerals, and thus it is a hugely dependent on agriculture as a source of food and income. Its experience with food production has been met with a series of challenges like lack of farming education for farmers, poor farming methods, unfavorable prices of farm inputs, lack of sufficient arable land, inconsistent rainfall distribution and counterfeit agricultural inputs sold on the market. This has resulted in an inadequate amount of food in the national storehouses.

Due to the shortage of food and water in many regions of Kenya, many people have lost their lives. Old men and women, youths and children have succumbed to the unforgiving jaws of thirst and hunger. This has robbed the nation of many heroes and heroines.

The Aqua and Agriculture Initiative was formed to respond to this horrible ordeal that Kenya has been going through. By joining hands with a group of university students, community members and supportive international allies, the organization has set out to empower people living in arid and semi-arid regions of the country.

The organization is purposed to facilitate drilling of boreholes, construction of tanks and dams, and piping of water into the homes of the individuals living in the dry regions. This will help in the provision of water for domestic use and irrigation in these areas. Inhabitants of these arid regions will have the opportunity to grow crops without relying on rainfall thus boosting their food security.

The Aqua and Agriculture Initiative provides free farm training to the locals that benefit from the projects done by the organization. Moreover, the organization enhances the importance of planting trees for the future benefits of a green environment and combating global warming.

Aqua. A. I Purpose

As a group of Kenyan intellectuals and locals, they were pushed with the desire for helping their fellow Kenyans in the bid to end food insecurity and conserving the environment and they were able to access the common people and involve them in turning their surrounding into a livable environment through the assistance of international friends and well-wishers who were willing to change the life of suffering people in Kenya.

Vision Statement

A food secure nation that has the ability to nurture and protect the environment for a sustainable and healthy life.

Mission Statement

Working together for sustainable environment and food security through empowering households with water and educating local communities on proper methods of farming and planting of trees as we work to create a prosperous, stable and green life for all.

Goal

To ensure everyone in arid and semi-arid regions gets clean water for drinking, growing crops and conserving the environment.

Values

- Compassion
- Integrity and openness
- Accountability
- Care
- Respect for everyone and for the environment
- Honesty
- Trustworthiness

Objectives

- To drill boreholes in water deficient areas.
- To make water accessible to households and learning institutions in arid and semi-arid areas through piping.
- To provide awareness to the public in arid and semi-arid regions on environmental conservation.
- To create economic empowerment to the locals in arid and semi-arid regions through agricultural education.
- To promote afforestation silviculture and agroforestry in arid and semi-arid regions.
- To take such steps by personal or written appeals, private meetings, public meetings or presentations to parliament, government entities and other bodies as may be deemed expedient to promote any of the objects of the organization.
- To raise, secure and utilise funds for the attainment of any or all objects of the organization and to do such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of these objects.