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JULY 2023 MONTHLY UPDATE REPORT (07) FOR UMGUZA, ZIMBABWE

PROMOTION OF CLIMATE RESILIENT LIFESTYLES AMONG RURAL
FAMILIES IN UMGUZA DISTRICT OF ZIMBABWE



Implementing Month, No: 07

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Sunday, August 6, 2023 Joint Management Committee (JMC)

Att. Holger Jacobsen and Team

Seniors without Borders

(Promotion of Climate Resilient Lifestyles Among Rural Families in Umguza District of Zimbabwe

For Umguza District Project, Matabeleland North Province, Zimbabwe)

Denmark

Dear Holger and Team

**JULY 2023 MONTHLY REPORT FOR PROMOTION OF CLIMATE RESILIENT LIFESTYLES
AMONG RURAL FAMILIES IN UMGUZA DISTRICT OF ZIMBABWE – FOCUSING ON
MONITORING AND EVALUATION**

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8. Monitoring and Evaluation for the Second Quarter

Election fever has gripped the country and our operational area is affected and it becomes difficult to gather people as this is the activity by politicians.

Preparations for the Midway Evaluation Activity is underway.

Yours Sincerely



Bob I M Dzere
Country Director

PROJECT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

No	ITEM	DETAILS			
1.	NAME OF PROJECT	PROMOTION OF CLIMATE RESILIENT LIFESTYLES AMONG RURAL FAMILIES IN UMGUZA DISTRICT OF ZIMBABWE			
2.	FUNDING PARTNER	The Civil Society Fund (CISU)			
3.	RESPONSIBLE PARTNER	Seniors without Borders Denmark			
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7.	JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (7 members)	Seniors without Borders		Nhaka Afrikan Worldview Trust	
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		2.Anna Hempel		2.Knowledge Mafukidze	
		3.Bodil Nydal		3.Reginald Sithole	
		4.Britta Junge			
8.	PROJECT LIFE	START	01.01.2023	END	30.06.2024
9.	PROJECT REF: NO Journal number:				
10.	LOCATION	COUNTRY	Zimbabwe	PROVINCE	Matabeleland North
		DISTRICT	Umguza	WARDS	14
11.	PROJECT SUMMARY one page	<p>Intervention Title: Promotion of climate-resilient lifestyles among rural families in Umguza district of Zimbabwe</p> <p>The livelihoods of rural households in Zimbabwe continue to be affected by both systemic and idiosyncratic shocks, which include, but are not limited to, systemic shocks such as climatic shocks (drought and prolonged mid-season dry spells, floods, water logging, crop and livestock pests, hailstorms), and economic shocks, notable sharp changes of cereals and livestock prices. This has resulted in increased vulnerability and fragility in rural households, especially in drought prone regions such as Umguza district (in Matabeleland, Zimbabwe) where most of the people rely on rain-fed agriculture for their livelihoods. The worsening agricultural conditions, which are an effect of climate change, have contributed to and worsened situations of food insecurity, malnourishment, and undernourishment. Many smallholder families live in a sustained state of hunger, and as of January 2023, 5,8 million people of the 15 million population need food aid.</p> <p>Nhaka Africa Worldview Trust (NAWT) in collaboration with Senior without Borders (SwB), will be undertaking an 18-month intervention that will contribute towards improved resilience of vulnerable and food-insecure populations in the disaster-prone Umguza district. The project is targeting 250 vulnerable smallholder farming households in ward 14 (60% female), Umguza district, increasing their capacity to effectively cope, adapt to and recover from climatic shocks and stresses. This will be achieved through three main areas:</p>			

		<p>a) Increasing households' capacities in sustainable agricultural production practices and climate-smart technologies. The target households will be reached using a training of trainers approach using community-trained volunteers. In addition, they will also be trained at an established Climate Change Adaptive Resource Centre (CCARC) which will be equipped with solar-powered boreholes and demo gardens. The project will procure and promote traditional grains (sorghum, millet, finger millet) which are drought tolerant.</p> <p>b) Secondly, the project will enhance farmers' institutional capacities for comprehensive climate change adaptation planning. This will see the facilitation of farmer groups with capacitated leadership structures where women will also occupy decision-making positions.</p> <p>c) Thirdly the project will enhance climate change knowledge dissemination. This will see the documentation and sharing of best practices, carrying out of climate change awareness and adaption actions among stakeholders and households. Knowledge-sharing sessions will be organized where target households will showcase their work to the outside world.</p> <p>As a result of the intervention, it is anticipated that 70% of the households will be applying climate-smart agriculture practices and technologies in their fields; all of them will be using climate information to implement risk-reducing actions thereby improving their resilience to climate change shocks; 60% will be participating in collective input and output marketing actions; and more importantly, they will be a 10% increase in family income.</p>
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JULY 2023 ACHIEVEMENTS

Report Focuses on Achievements of July 2023 as Seen from the Program Implementation Team

Introduction

The report presents project progress achieved in the month of July 2023 under the project entitled above. The month of July focused on catching up with different activities:

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6. Approvals with ZIMFEP HQ to work at George Silundika High
7. Working on the shifting of the centre from Chairman's (Manfred's) Plot - as advised by JMC Continuous collaboration with the village heads, Local Councilor for Ward 14, Mr. Ncube and prominent people such as retired influential figures, school heads, etc... remained the norm.
8. Monitoring and Evaluation for the Second Quarter

Summary

This report covers the activities conducted during the month of July in ward 14. The main activities carried out are the registration of farmers, nomination of volunteers and finalization of the baseline values. The operating environment remains unpredictable due to preparation of the upcoming general elections due on the 23rd of August 2023. However, the project is upholding sensitivity to political gatherings' potential interferences.

Detailed activities

Registration of farmers and nomination of volunteers were the main activities carried out during the month. The project collaborated with the area councilor Mr Ncube in the process. Villages visited were Alicedale, Barford, Imvana, and Enyokeni where registration forms were left with village heads.

A plan is now in place for conducting monthly training visits to conduct agriculture lessons. Four lessons will be conducted per month, that is 1 lesson per week in each village.

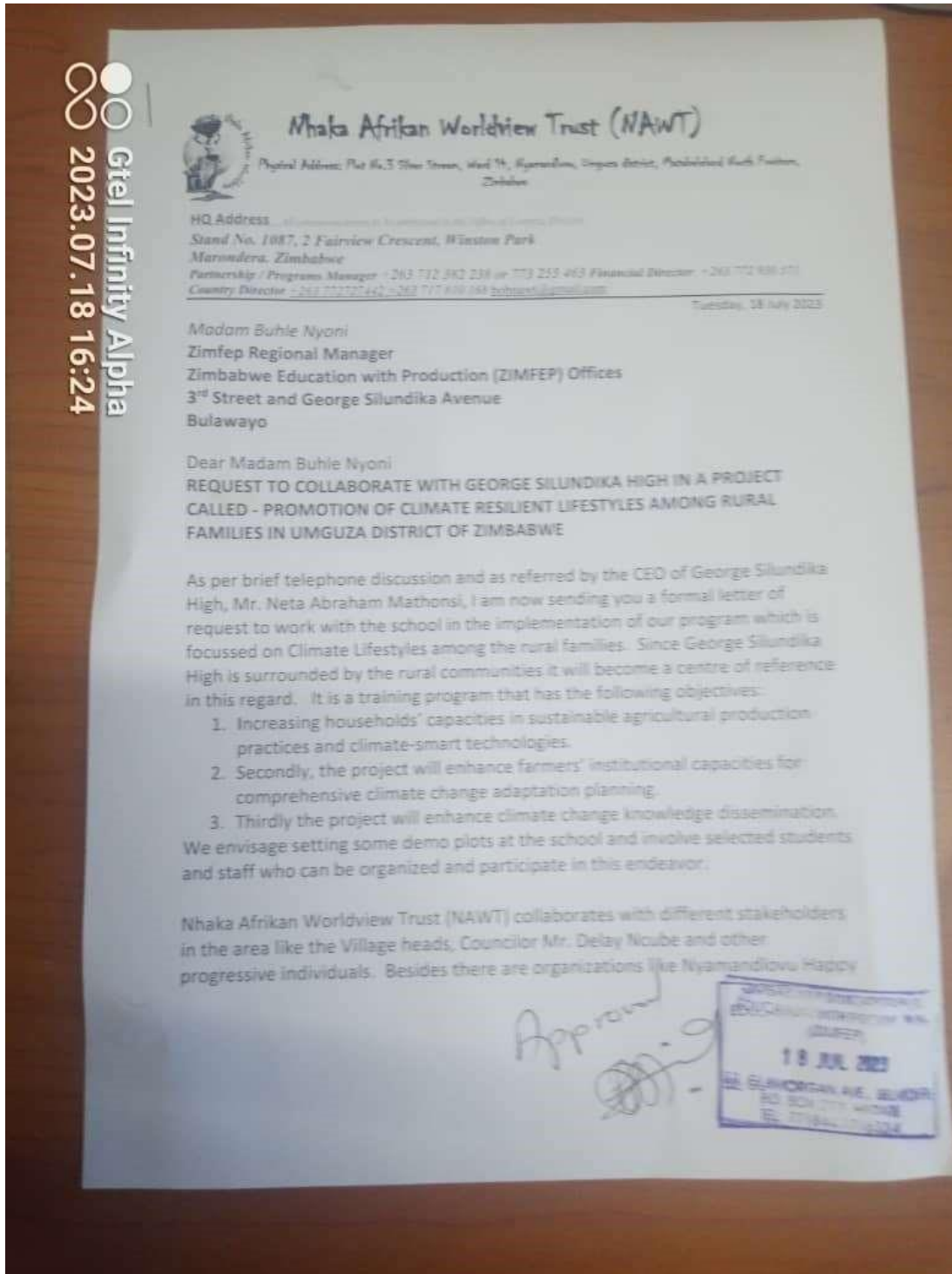
Analysis of baseline values was also completed during the month. Baseline values have now been developed which will be used going forward to determine project progress.

CHALLENGES FACED

- As elections are approaching the challenge is that it is very difficult to gather people and address them due to campaigns
- Another challenge is the distance to reach the villages. Some follow-ups are being made digital which is not very effective as some people have no phones and in some cases connectivity is poor.

Attachments


Letter and CV to ZIMFEP to work at George Silundika High with Approval Stamps from Head Office



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Curriculum vitae

Bob is an honest, experienced and efficient team builder and leader of people, who has proven that he can sustain working under pressure. He has a proven clean record in working with people at all levels of organizations. He has worked in both public and private sectors for many years and gained valuable experiences.

Bob possesses excellent organizational and administrative skills, with experience in dealing with the public and high level of workloads within strict deadlines. He is recognized for self-accountability, situational acclimation fast paced prolific innovation. Possess skills in training international volunteers (Asians, Africans, Americans & Europeans) responsible for carrying out development work. Proficient with both computerized and clerical systems and can work with strict deadlines. Sits in various Boards and these continuously update skills and experiences.

Languages

No	Language	Spoken	Written	Reading	Comprehending	Comment
1	Shona	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mother tongue
2	Ndebele	✓		✓	✓	
3	Swahili	✓		✓	✓	
4	English	✓	✓	✓	✓	Pitman Instructor
5	Portuguese	✓		✓	✓	
6	Danish	✓			✓	

Areas of Expertise

- Development / humanitarian work
- Leading & Mobilization of people to meet set development work related goals
- Administration
- Training
- Projects Management: planning, implementation, monitoring & evaluation and reporting
- Participatory Rural Appraisals
- Working with HIV & AIDS Projects / Programs - at both national & international levels
- Organizing travel arrangements and fulfilling international immigration formalities.

Satellite Pictures - Location of George Silundika High, Alicedale. Nawt Offices and Nyokeni

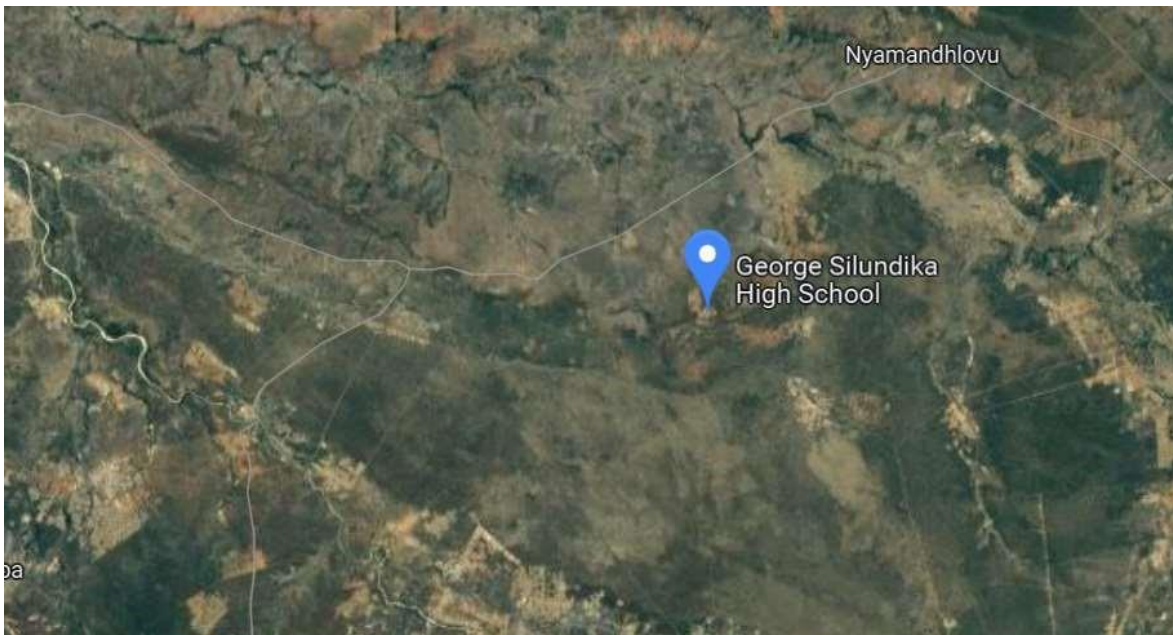
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Nyokeni Plot

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Plot at Alicedale



The target group in ward 14 is will appear as this:

No	Area of FFLg	No of households	Sub total	comment
1	Alicedale	32		Principal demo Plot with water
2	Barfords	30		To use Alicedale
3	Imvana	30		To use Alicedale
4	Nyokeni	30		To use Nyokeni demo. The need to have a solar water pump.
Sub Total from communities			122	This is the subtotal of the 4 villages above.
5	Silverstream	10		Demo Composts with Happy Farmers Association. Work in progress to identify these 10 Household farmers
6	George Silundika	100	100	Demo plot with student club and Staff as households
			222	

Attachment No 1: Abbreviations:

Common Abbreviations in this Project / Program

No	Abbreviation	Meaning
1.	JMC	Joint Management Committee (comprised of 7 members)
2.	NEC	National Executive Committee (NAWT)
3.	PMEC	Programs Management Executive Committee
4.	PMC	Programs Management Committee
5.	CISU	Civil Society in Development
6.	SUG/ SwB	Seniors without Borders
7.	NAWT	Nhaka Afrikan Worldview Trust
8.	DIP	Detailed Implementation Plan
9.	CVC	Corona Virus Challenge
10.	COVID 19	Corona Virus Disease of 2019
11.	PM	Program Manager
12.	PA	Program Accountant
13.	PAss	Projects Assistant
14.	PC	Program Coordinator
15.	PD	Programs Director
16.	FC	Field Coordinator
17.	CD	Country Director
18.	FU	Farmers Units
19.	AGRITEX	Agriculture Extension Officer
20.	SRRC	Sekwi Rural Resources Centre

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