

# 2019

Project of the year PROJECT TITLE: Strengthening Women's Cooperative for Rural Agribusiness in Democratic Republic of the Congo (SWCRA)

## ASSOCIATION ESPERANTO DE KINSHASA POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT "AEKD"

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Name of the	ASSOCIATION ESPERANTO DE KINSHASA POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT "AEKD"						
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Vision	"A peaceful United and healthy world offering the marginalized women, jchildren and youth an opportunity to have						
	a say and be involved in the socio-economic development decisions affecting them".						
Mission	"A child, women and youth focused organization working towards: peace, unity, social and economic						
	empowerment through Advocacy, psychosocial support, sensitization, community outreaches, networking,						
	educational support, environmental protection and conservation"						

Shared value	"Every woman is my Mother and Every Child and Youth is my Brother / Sister".
Objectives	To create social stability and awareness on reproductive issues, HIV / AIDS and other related adolescence issues.
	To strengthen Women's Cooperative for Rural Agribusiness.
	Creating avenue for advocacy for human rights, peaceful resolution of conflicts and sustain socio-
	economic development among the marginalized communities.
	To advocate for a society whereby children and youth with disabilities have equal rights and
	opportunities for growth and development.
	Improved access to education and psycho-social well being of marginalized children and youth.
	Increase household income through self help projects hence eradicating household poverty among the
	victims of armed conflict and marginalized communities.
	Unconditional release of the children and youth by the Lord's Resistance Army
Activities of	a) Psychosocial Support
the	Multiplier TOT module, development and implementation of community action plans on psychosocial
Organization	support, follow up of formerly abducted children in the community, provision of counseling services,
	community based reception and rehabilitation of Formerly Abducted Children (FAC), referrals of severe
	cases to other specialized service providers.
	b) Strengthening Women's Cooperative for Rural Agribusiness
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	farmers' productivity and revenue in a sustainable way. The objective is to solve the obstacles that
	characterize the situation for women in the agribusiness sector when compared to their male counterparts
	in many rural districts of Republic of the Congo, and increase production capacity and access to markets
	for rural female entrepreneurs and their network of local producers.
	c) Child protection
	Formation and training of child protection committees, community dialogue meetings, and support to
	community led initiatives on child protection, translation of key legal and policy documents into local
	languages, data collection on violation of children's rights and supporting formal education for Orphans
	and Vulnerable Children in Western Democratic Republic of Congo.
	d) Livelihoods Support
	Provision of sustainable and profitable means of livelihoods, training of Income Generating Activities
	and financial management, support to Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVCs') to attain vocational
	skills and provision of basic start up tool kits to beneficiaries War affected children in the community.
	e) Peace Building and Reconciliation.
	Training of Parents Support Groups and Youth Support Groups on peace building and conflict
	resolution, ongoing tracing and re-union, facilitation of community reconciliation and peace meetings,
	community and religious dialogues and consensus building on traditional justice systems, interactive
	games and sports among children and youth, development and implementation of peace, action plans,
	and dissemination of Information Education and Communication (IEC) materials to provide acceptance
	and reintegration.
	f) HIV AIDS / is mainstreamed into all the core programs of AEK-D.
	a) Advocacy
	g) Advocacy Is a strategy through which AEK-D addresses cross cutting issues that arise from the above core
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#### h) Environmental Protection and conservation

Training of Youth Support Groups, formation of Environmental Protection and Conservation Clubs in schools, established a tree nursery which acts as a demonstration site and supplies tree seedlings to the community. AEK-D will open a tree demonstration garden in 2020 which will be used as a learning centre for tree growers, students and environmentalists.

#### i) Emergency and relief

Provision of food aid, training in food security and agricultural rehabilitation to formerly displaced returnees, people affected by drought and floods which resulted to famine in Western D.R. Congo.

#### j) Reproductive Health

This is done through: Behavioral Change Communication (BCC), awareness and sensitization, guidance and counseling, distribution of Information Education and Communication materials, HIV/AIDS Counseling and Testing and community outreaches.

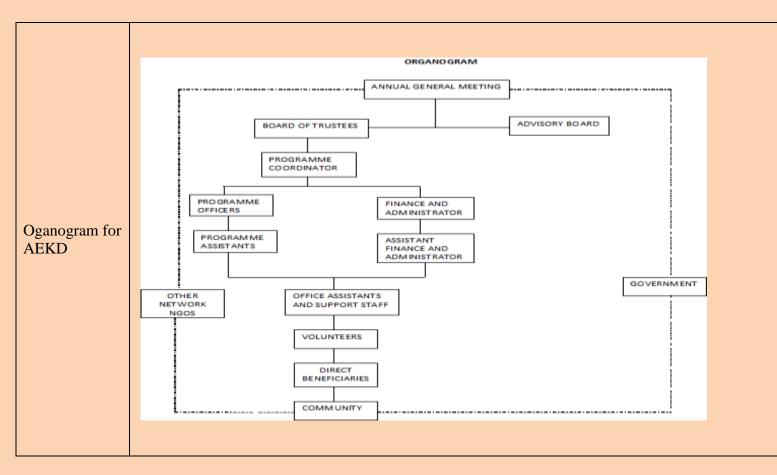
#### k) Mental Health

Due to the war in Eastern D.R. Congo, AEK-D has identified the post war effects in youth characterized by street life, alcoholism, drug and substance abuse. AEK-D is looking for funding for this project. It will be implemented through: guidance and counseling, radio talk shows, Youth rehabilitation and skills promotion/capacity building center and community outreach. This is an area not being supported by any organization and the Government facilities are lacking. We feel there is need for an immediate response to this programme.

#### l) Education

This is a cross-cutting activity in all the programs of AEK-D. It is an integrated activity. AEK-D is supporting 102 orphans and vulnerable children by provision of scholastic materials, school fees and basic materials. We are getting a very big challenge in terms of funding considering the level of poverty resulting from the 20-year war. There are many OVCs that need support but the financial capacity of AEKD cannot support beyond the 102 beneficiaries.

	Current and past projects					
	Sources of funding	Project funded	Status	Donor contact		
Experience and achievements	War Child Holland	Psychosocial and lifeskills development.(Fun Crew).	Ended	Frank Velthuizen, Deputy Country Director, War Child Holland, DRC.		
	Vodacom/ DRC	Education	Ended	Vodacom/ DRC		
	International Labour Organisation, Youth Entreprenuership Facility	Youth to Youth Fund Young Women Entrepreneurial Development through Apiary	Ongoing			



### **Bank Information**

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