

Proposal Application

1. Summary Coversheet stating:

Name of group or organization;	Phalombe Youth Arms Organization (PYAO)
Proposal Date;	20 th January 2020
Title of Project;	Phalombe Community Library Construction Project
Project Type;	Education
Whether the project involves construction of a permanent building or buildings;	Yes
Brief purpose of the program;	<p>PYAO would like to construct a community library whereby youths in the district will be using to read books to enhance culture of reading. This project will also reduce the burden youths faces in traveling long distance to find good library with enough books. This will be a center for lifelong learning and community development</p> <p>The library will also help young people in the district to access appropriate Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights, Life Skills and HIV related information</p>
Sponsoring organization or agency;	No sponsoring organization
Project Manager Contact;	<p>Stanford Chidule, Programs Coordinator, Opposite Phalombe Health Centre, P.O. Box 111, Phalombe.</p> <p>Cell: +265881794436 Email: phalombeyoutharms@gmail.com / stanfordchidule@gmail.com</p>
Name of local committee that will supervise the project;	Mkhumba Area Development Committee (ADC), sensitization of communities' members about library construction.
Name of group/entity/individual that will manage the budget and buy materials/equipment;	<p>Paul Mpulula, Finance and Administration Officer, Phalombe Youth Arms Organization, P.O. Box 111, Phalombe. Cell: 0888180038 Email: phalombeyoutharms@gmail.com / mpululapaul@gmail.com</p>
Program period proposed start and end date;	20 th January 2020 to 20 December 2020

Location of Project (include map) (Region, District, Traditional Authority (T.A.), Village(s));	The project will be implemented in Southern Region, Phalombe District, Traditional Authority Mkhumba, Bokosi Village
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2. Project Plan

Problem statement, project plan (description and model), projects activities, and expected results.

i. Community problem:

Youth around Phalombe Boma faces a problem of access to quality, appropriate and correct information and education, and communication regarding academic, social and sexual reproductive health and rights including HIV and AIDS due to inadequate availability of good libraries in the district which have space for reading and quality books, literature and ICT facility. This problem makes youths to travel as far as Blantyre to borrow books at National Library as well as failure to perform well in their academic as they only depend on the books their school library has which are also inadequate in most schools. The problem of unavailability of good libraries is contributing to reduction in the culture of reading amongst the youths and the community, limited access correct appropriate and quality sexual reproductive health and and rights information which leads to low utilization of SRHR and HIV services

ii. Project Scope:

PYAO would like to construct a library in area of village headman Bokosi with the aim of providing a platform for easy access to quality and appropriate social economic and health related information and education; reducing the burden youths are facing of traveling long distance to get the books and also read. We are anticipating that by constructing a library the boma where more schools are located it will make more youths having access to good books and better reading environment which in the end will translate to many students doing well in their academics hence economic improvement as many youths will be educated. Attached is the design of the library. The library will also will work as a resource center for the youths and the community in order to contribute to the reduction of high prevalence of fertility rates, HIV, STIs and gender and sexual violence

iii. Project activities:

The following are the activities to be implemented in order for our project to achieve results;

- a. Project briefing to District Executive Committee
- b. Community Leaders sensitization meetings
- c. Formulation of project implementation committee
- d. Training Project Implementation Communication on their role on the project
- e. Conducting meeting with community on cross cutting issues (information communication and education)
- f. Community resource mobilization (sand and quarry)
- g. Procurement of project materials
- h. Actual construction of the library
- i. Purchase of books and news papers
- j. Procuring / hire of the contractor
- k. Review meetings with communities
- l. Joint monitoring with the district council, member of parliament, councilor and district education manager office

iv. Supplier consultations:

The materials of the project some will be procured within Phalombe and others in Blantyre. Attached are the quotations for the materials to be procured.

v. Project involvement:

As an organization we strongly believe in inclusive development and participation. Communities will be engaged in every step of executing this project starting from planning, implementation and monitoring of the construction activities. This is the reason we plan to establish a project implementation committee which will be strictly comprise of local communities and the youths as owners of the project while the PYAO will be spearheading all the processes for smooth implementation. During review meetings planned communities will be able to express how they look at the way the project would be managed.

vi. Project Results:

What are the expected results (changes in the community) after you implement this project? The project is expected to bring the following results to the community

- a. Improvement in the culture of reading amongst youth and members of community

- b. Increase and improvements in performance and passing rate in schools around the boma.
- c. Increased and improved access to sexual reproductive and rights, and HIV and AIDS related services

3. Project Beneficiaries

i. Intended direct beneficiaries of the project:

- Disaggregation: 200Men/ 600 Women/ 1800Boys/ 1650Girls Total; **4,250**
- The beneficiaries will benefit as they will be coming to read at the library as well as borrow books which they will be able to use home and return. They will also benefit from the ICT programs to be done by the library

ii. Intended indirect beneficiaries of the project:

- Disaggregation: 250 Men/ 550 Women/ 1500 Boys/ 1300 Girls/Total; **3,600**
- The indirect beneficiaries will benefit from the project since they will be able to use the books that will be borrowed by the direct beneficiaries. They will also benefit from the project as they will be taught some skills which the direct beneficiaries have learnt through reading the books which they will be borrowing from the library

4. Project Length:

The length of the project is 12 months.

5. Sustainability Plan

For sustainability of the project beyond the funding phase the our organization will continue providing guidance and management of the library together with the community library committee which will be established before completion of construction of the library. This community committee will be responsible in ensuring that those who lost the books have replaced, encouraging community to contribute towards maintenance costs of the library in order to keep the structure in good condition so that it can be used for long period. Apart from the committee local leaders will be given a role and power to give punishment to community members who want to vandalize the building. The community library committee will be also required to make a presentation of the progress the library is making to the community once every 3 months.

6. Statement regarding proposal being submitted elsewhere for funding

The project has not been submitted to other funding organization or donors

7. Involvement of State whether Member of Parliament or Councilor

As development spearheading people in the area Member of Parliament and Councilor will be involved in helping us to disseminate messages of importance of participating in the construction of the library. They will also be involved in this project as persons who will be able to help us sourcing books for the library. District Youth Office, District Health Office, District Community Development Office and Department of Planning and Development at the District Council will also be providing technical assistance to the project.

8. Budgets

i. Value of Local Contributions:

S.No	Item	Qty	Price (MK)	Total(MK)
1	Sand(tons)	15	15,000	225,000
2	Quarry(tons)	20	35,000	700,000
3	Unskilled labor (people)	4	40,000	160,000
4	Water (people)	4	45,000	180,000
	Sub-total			1,265,000

ii. Items and Expenses Being Requested:

No	item	Qty	Price	Total
	Cement	200	8,000.00	1, 600,000.00
	Timber	100	5,000.00	500,000.00
	Iron sheets	100	8,000.00	800,000.00
	Lime	10	7500	75, 000.00
	Paint	10	9000	90, 000.00
	Furniture	10	34000	340, 000.00
	Wiring	1	500000	500, 000.00
	Total			3,905,000.00

9. “Buy in” of Local Authorities:

Traditional Authorities;

The T/A will be the community lead person in the project implementation. They will provide overall community coordination. The T/A will call for and coordinate community dialogue meeting to mobilize community members and ensure that the community acknowledge and accept the project.

Chief Executive Officer/District Commissioner;

PYAO will work hand in hand with the district executive committee (DEC) and District Council through the Director of Planning and Development by ensuring that they are well updated on the day to day operations and progress. The DEC and District Full Council will provide technical expertise, supervise the operations and request PYAO to provided monthly project updates.

Community Development Assistant;

The community development assistant will be the secretariat of the project. They will coordinate community mobilization, resource mapping and provide updates to the DEC through the ADCs/VDCs

Member of Parliament;

The MP will be involved from the beginning of the project to enhance advocacy. The MP will also help to mobilize resources, work force and ensure other mechanism of sustainability

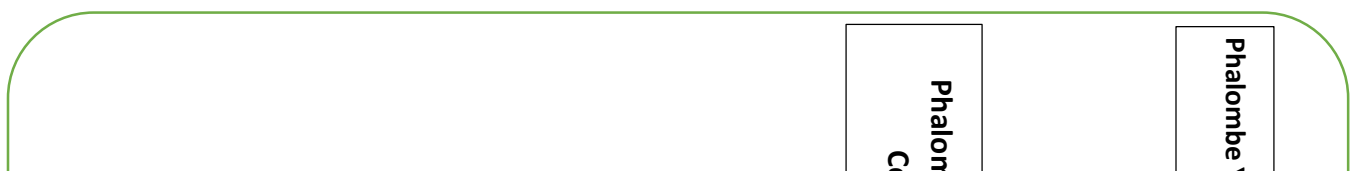
Councilor;

To community Councilor will act as a point of coordination and collaboration with both the community and the district council. He will champion community ownership through community involvement

These authorities should be relevant to the kind of project being proposed. These signatures indicate that these authorities:

- Are informed of the plans in this proposal;
- Approve of these plans;
- Attest that it is a valid plan put forward by a legitimate organization; and
- Are pledging their support to the project.

10. Directional Map (as noted above) draw an accurate map to enable the Embassy team to locate you project)



Phalombe District Council

Phalombe Trading Centre

Fortlister Road

LOCAL AUTHORITIES