

# ENCOMIUM 2020

*ANNUAL REPORT*  
2020



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## Directors' Message

Through it all with the COVID-19 Pandemic, we've seen nothing but resilience from our team, our partners, and our community. In this report, we apprise all our stakeholders of our achievements and progress towards achieving our commitments in our areas of focus. We are grateful to our partners and well-wishers who have always stepped up to support us when we needed it the most.

In our hearts of hearts, we continue to pledge excellence as we build this incredible organization, Encomium 2020. We continue to work towards incorporation and legitimizing our operations as a non-profit with a responsibility to the well-being of others in our communities. We are committed to community empowerment with a great focus on strengthening and facilitating systems, platforms and interventions that support everyone to make decisions vital to their wellbeing. We anticipate great strides in building a more equitable and progressive society where no one is left behind.



## Organisation overview



- ✚ 10 VHTs trained on COVID-19 prevention measures and provided with reusable face masks and pocket hand sanitizers.

Encomium 2020 is a non-profit organization that works to improve and dignify living standards by empowering communities to the realization of the absolute minimum resources necessary for long-term well-being.

Our goal is to create an atmosphere where one and all lead a dignified and healthy life with improved living standards.

We give priority to meeting the basic needs of all the people, including the fulfilment of certain standards of nutrition (food and water), and the universal provision of health and education services through inter-sectoral, holistic programmes.

We leverage participatory, transparent, accountable and community-demand-driven approaches to address the multidimensional poverty and confront the various deprivations of poor health, lack of education, inadequate living standards and disempowerment.

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## Our History

Encomium 2020 was established and registered as a Community Based Organization in Pakwach district, in March 2019, to augment community skills, abilities and knowledge through capacity building and to motivate the community to participate in development projects so as to assist all community members discover their own potentials towards the realization of sustainable community development and social wellness of communities. We acknowledge high expectations associated with operating a non-profit organization, but we do not take responsibility lightly and we are immensely honoured to make our contributions towards improving the living standards within our communities, especially for women and children.

### Our Vision:

An uplifting and motivating society that inspires confidence and nurtures everyone's potential for holistic being.

### Our Mission:

Proactive and innovative approaches to bold community transformation through fostering the fulfilment of basic needs for all and sundry.

### Our Pledge

1. We recognize everyone's rights, needs and contributions.
2. We share powers, rights and accountability with all our stakeholders.
3. We actuate participation, independence and dignified living.

## Program Highlights

- ✚ Hygiene dignity kits distributed to 30 households of the elderly
- ✚ 24 home visits conducted for psychosocial support
- ✚ 30 tippy tap jerrycans provided to 30 households to facilitate hand-washing and enhance hand hygiene
- ✚ 02 hand washing facilities distributed to market places
- ✚ COVID-19 prevention guidelines and awareness creation through posters to enact positive behaviour change



COVID-19 hit ground in Uganda in March 2020 and the government immediately developed and implemented directives and guidelines to prevent the spread of the disease, including a country wide lockdown. Counter measures worked well but at the expense of some vulnerable groups of people in our communities, most especially the elderly.

Uganda practices community based management of older persons as opposed to institutionalization. With such community based management, the patients who would recover from COVID-19 were discriminated against on return to their respective communities from the treatment centres. Encomium 2020 set out to offer psychosocial support and capacity building for the community members to strengthen community capacity on the basics of COVID-19 prevention and response among high risk populations such as these older persons in Pakwach Town Council.

Our COVID-19 response targeted to ensure that the vulnerable people get the adequate, inclusive and safe support to prevent and reduce the infection risk of the COVID-19 disease outbreak; as well as be protected from the negative impacts of state emergency measures to control and respond to the outbreak. We take pride in our achievements as illustrated in the numbers to address the direct and indirect impact of the COVID-19 disease outbreak.

## Our Future Perspectives

The COVID-19 pandemic has wreaked unprecedented havoc on children, families and communities, disrupting vital services and putting millions of lives at risk. School closures have resulted in adolescents becoming redundant leading to greater likelihood of engagement in risky sexual behaviour and increased risk of sexual violence and exploitation. Thousands of teenage girls became pregnant and have given birth under similar circumstances. Such teenage mothers experience many physical, psychological, mental and social challenges, and have since dropped out of school due to barriers including social stigma, lack of childcare or financial support. Encomium 2020 intends to provide these adolescent girls with life skills and livelihoods training so that they can ably take back control of their lives, overcome their sense of powerlessness, recognize and use their abilities.



# 2020 Balance Sheet



## Annual Report

Encomium 2020

As of June 30th 2021

Fiscal Year From July 2020-June 2021

<b>Balance on Hand (July 2020):</b>			<b>12,589,638</b>
<b>ACTUAL RECEIPTS</b>			<b>Actual YTD*</b>
	Local Membership Dues		5,000,000
	Donations		-
	Other Income		1,800,000
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>			<b>6,800,000</b>
<b>ACTUAL EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Administration		
		Office Rent	3,600,000
		Office supplies & Maintenance	400,000
		Office utilities	500,000
		Communication costs	380,000
		Printing costs	500,000
		Transport costs	1,050,000
	Registration		
		Incorporation payments	375,000
		Lawyer witnessing MOA and AOA	50,000
		Virtual Post Office Box subscription	90,000
		Website domain fees and hosting	500,000
	Volunteer Costs		
		Office Administrator	960,000
	Programme Expenses		
		Community hand washing facilities	1,380,000
		Purchase and installation of tippy tap jerrycans	300,000
		COVID-19 prevention guidelines posters	200,000
		Hygiene dignity kits for the elderly	800,000
		Home visits conducted for psychosocial support	450,000
		VHT training on COVID-19 prevention measures, equipping them with masks and sanitisers	1,500,000
		Faciliator's Allowance	100,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>13,135,000</b>
<b>New Cash Balance</b>			<b>6,254,638</b>
<b>Treasurer's Notes and Signature</b>	This report is in Uganda Shilings currency - the prevailing exchange rates apply.		
			



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