



**World Vision SA
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INTRODUCTION

- World Vision is an NGO
- WVSA Giyani program is located in Mopani District, Limpopo Province.



What went well...

- ✚ Partners engagements- the government departments playing a tech role
- ✚ Community ownership of the projects at high level
- ✚ Community local level innovation
- ✚ SGF network whats-app group
- ✚ Support from the facilitating agency
- ✚ Support visit by donors with the technical specialists was educative



Areas of growth...

- ✚ Timeline constraints
- ✚ Communication limitations
- ✚ Budget figures not aligned to work to be done and phases
- ✚ Policies conflict – bank accounts management
- ✚ Communities not understanding the processes – delays
- ✚ Environmental management
- ✚ Sustainability Plans
- ✚ Monitoring tools



Recommendations...

- + Mentoring and coaching
- + Other platforms of communication like skype/webex to avoid questions going back and forth
- + Contextualisation of models and tools
- + Reports to be simplified esp the finance part
- + Procurement policy to be in a checklist form
- + The Donors to have high level partnerships/MOUs with the government so that it trickles down to the districts
- + To do skills audit of the grantees
- + Value add and market linkages



Water reservoirs







Questions????



End of Ms Nyasha Chagwanda's Presentation

MMALEROBA FARMERS PRIMARY CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED REG NO. 2013/004022/24



**Makgabetloane village AGRO-ECOLOGY
and BIO-ENERGY project**



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ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND AND PROFILE

Name of organisation	Mmaleroba farmers primary cooperative		
Organisational type	Agricultural Co-operative		
Size of organization	1-10 members		
Geographical scale of operation	District	Municipality	Village
Rural area	Bojanala	Moretele	Makgabetloane

Project Background

- Mmaleroaba farmers primary cooperative have three years experience in implementing small projects. In September 2014 a cooperative received 50 000 US dollars from GEF SGP for biogas project as an initiative that has currently addressing environmental problems within an area where it is installed as well as reducing the cost of electricity for beneficiaries who owns biogas digesters by producing cheaper energy from any organic waste.



what has worked well?

- As a funds recipient a cooperative managed to: involve a participation of community members, skills for addressing environmental problems through production of clean energy was provided to the community members, community is benefiting from the project by saving a cost of electricity and utilization of fossil fuel, implement and report against planned activities within a timeframe, use funds according to the budget without any deviations.
- Owners of digesters project members and employees were trained for producing cheaper and cleaner energy by installing and operating digesters by themselves

What has not worked so well and should be changed?

- Minority of community members are benefiting from the project instead of majority due to insufficient funds.
- Involvement of women and youth was not effective as expected.
- A rate of jobs created is low.

What needs to happen in the GCF small grants project so that grantees are best supported?

- Training for project management must be provided to the project members
- Grants should focus more on projects that will be able to create jobs as well as generating income to project members.
- Grants must be provided annually to the progressing projects until a project meet its stability as well as benefiting a majority most especially those who are vulnerable and in need of a particular service.

- More awareness of biodiversity and agro-ecology should be brought to those who doesn't have knowledge and updates about the importance of this initiatives most especially rural residents.
- Monitoring and evaluation should be done on a regular bases as part of giving a necessary support to the project members as well as community members.

THANK YOU!

Makgabetloane village AGRO-ECOLOGY and
BIO-ENERGY project

Striving for clean energy, clean environment
and healthy food



End of Mr Jacob Matloa's Presentation

SETSOTO WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



Given the necessary support and sustenance the future looks bright.



Adopt-a-River Project



Setsoto Women Empowerment

- Setsoto Women Empowerment came with a unique project, named Adopt-a-River, whose objective was to care of the Caledon River, an important source of water for the community of Ficksburg and Meqheleng. The river is often polluted by inhabitants of Ficksburg and Lesotho. It is in light of this that Setsoto Women Empowerment embarked on a project to adopt the river and take care of it. The Adopt-a-River initiative is set to be a permanent program to enhance awareness around cleaning and rehabilitation of the river. It is the mission of the programme to conserve, protect, care and clean the Caledon River, a precious source of water. The project also deals with general environmental awareness and campaigns.

Setsoto Women Empowerment



Our beneficiaries seen here busy cleaning

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Itekeng Basadi Setsoto



Itekeng Basadi Setsoto

- It is a project started by 6 women, in January 2011. It is primarily a sewing business, where women sew fabrics, duvets, pillow covers, and traditional attire. The company has grown from 6 members to 15 members who are shareholders in the company. It has achieved a lot since its inception, and has exhibited at various fairs.
- Services:
- Sewing of traditional attire, for both men and women. Women constitute main clients, however.
- Design.
- General embroidery.
- Sewing of school uniform.
- Cutting
- General sewing on fabrics.
- Pillow making

Itekeng Clean and Green Project



Itekeng Clean & Green Project

- Itekeng Clean & Green Project is an initiative which falls under Itekeng Disabled Centre. It is a project dedicated to inculcate environmental care and awareness among the community in our locality. Given the challenges of environmental pollution, Itekeng Clean & Green Project is poised to play a meaningful role in addressing these challenges in our area.
- The project started as a massive cleaning campaign in Ficksburg, in 2010, trying to circumvent the effects of environmental pollution due to household wastes. It has now expanded to include the other towns of Setsoto (Setsoto comprises Ficksburg, Clocolan, Senekal and Marquard)

Itekeng Clean & Green Project



Cleaning and taking care of community graveyards remains a one of the cornerstones of the project.



Itekeng Food Security Project



Itekeng Food Security Project

- The project started in 2004, in Meqheleng (Ficksburg) under the tutelage of Mary Raletsoane, who initiated it, recruiting 5 women to join the project. Initially, the idea was to supply fresh vegetables to disabled children, and orphans/vulnerable children (OVC) at Itekeng Disabled Centre. It was also an initiative to create a job opportunity for women at the food garden to enable them to feed their families. The project utilizes a food garden at the local library in Meqheleng. The project has grown to provide employment for 18 women and 2 men who permanently work with the project. These are people who are very dedicated to their work, and see this as a way out of poverty and despair. The objective is to help address issues of food security for our low-income community. This is to be accomplished by providing an opportunity for people to grow own food, thereby increasing access to affordable nutritious food. More importantly, to harness this activity as a job creation initiative that will put bread on the table for our beneficiaries.

Itekeng Food Security Project



Our beneficiaries seen here busy tending a garden as part of our project



Dumping site



Cleaning

- massive cleaning campaign-elimination of dumping sites; Recycling; Greening of community spaces; Conversion of abandoned spaces into parks; Rehabilitation of landfills sites; Community awareness and education about the importance of a clean, dumping site-free and healthy environment.
- A clean, green and healthy environment; Poverty reduction; A job creation mechanism
- Cleans Graveyards and dumping sites.

End of Ms Mary Raletooane's Presentation

1. Organisational Background & Profile

Name of organisation

Tsogang Water and Sanitation

Organisational type

Non-Governmental Organisation

Size of organization

7 Employees

Geographical scale of operation

District: Mopani

Municipality: Letaba

Village: Ga-Ntata

EXPERIENCE RECEIVING AND IMPLEMENTING SMALL GRANTS

- Opening and managing a dedicated banking account to implement the small grant project
- Managing expectations
- The process of selecting the expert was challenging due to lack of commitment and expensive rates from experts.
- Tsogang have a good relationship with Ga-Ntata stakeholders and the project is well known and supported by the community.
- Projects that are not well introduced and understood by the community are problematic and have high chance of failing.



WHAT HAS WORKED WELL IN ACCESSING SMALL GRANTS

- Community buy-in ownership by introducing cash and in-kind contributions.
- Building partnerships with local government departments e.g. Department of Agriculture, DWA.
- Briefing sessions and introduction to application forms



WHAT HAS NOT WORKED SO WELL AND SHOULD BE CHANGED?

- Delays in project approval or rejection process
- Approval of Phase one budget did not cover bank charges to keep the account active.



HOW CAN THE GRANTEE OF A SMALL GRANT BE BEST SUPPORTED?

- Hosting frequent quarterly meetings with SGR to share lesson learnt, challenges and to supporting each other.
- Building individuals and organisational capacity (financial and technical reporting)





End of Ms Patience Chawane's Presentation