

Mothers and Babies at Risk

Children aged under five account for an estimated **70% of all Malaria deaths** worldwide.

2/3 of pregnant women in Uganda do not receive the recommended anti-malarial medication.

Annually **11 million pregnant women** in sub-Saharan African were infected with Malaria. This led to approximately **900,000 babies** born with a low birth weight.

12 million (50%) of children with Malaria in sub-Saharan Africa contract anemia.

All stats from the World Health Organization World Malaria Report 2019



Who We Are

About Us

Microfinance Alliance Africa Projects Foundation is a 501C (3) organization EIN number 83-2763495 registered in the state of Illinois.

Vision Statement

Advance awareness, health, quality of life, and God's care of the underserved.

Mission Statement

Through alliances create sustainable microfinance projects, which enhance health and quality of life by providing shared opportunities to serve others as Christ.

Strategic Priorities

- 1. Fund:** Develop funds to promote health and economic growth.
- 2. Serve:** Aid the underserved in Africa, primarily women and children.
- 3. Sustain:** Support development and self-reliance through reinvestment.
- 4. Empower:** Foster service, leadership, well-being, and independence.
- 5. Share:** Demonstrate shared compassion through stories, images, and solidarity.



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Origin of Medical Missions

The origin of MAAPF dates back to 2014. Founder and chairman Don Grossnickle was serving as a Deacon at Our Lady of the Wayside Parish in Arlington Heights, IL. Grossnickle was assigned to train John Bosco Ssekkomo, a Ugandan seminarian studying at Mundelein Seminary outside of Chicago. The two became fast friends, and Grossnickle traveled to Uganda for Ssekkomo's ordination. While in Uganda, Grossnickle visited St. Jude clinic, and witnessed Mothers and babies dying due to lack of Malaria medicine.

Upon his return to the U.S., Grossnickle prayed for a way to help. Over the next 4 years, Grossnickle made three trips to Uganda, forming alliances with bishops, not-for-profits, and individuals to fund health care and community development projects. In 2018, Microfinance Alliance Africa Projects was formed in order to more effectively serve mothers and babies in need.



“Your kindness has created many miracles. We have grown greatly since you came as angels in 2014.”

Teo Nakawundu
St. Jude Clinic Director

Ongoing Projects

ST. JUDE CLINIC IN NAKIFUMA

Our project centered on St. Jude Clinic in Nakifuma Village (2014–present). The clinic provides free or low cost malaria treatment to mothers and babies. Sub-projects include creating a surgical center, donating a piggery and cows, re-stocking pharmacy, and providing other medical equipment. Contributions totaled approximately \$50,000.

BIKRA COW PROJECT Masaka Diocese

Entered into a Microfinance arrangement to loan 18 cows to impoverished families in the Bikra village. Participants were provided a year-long training in dairy farming and agribusiness. Farmers were encouraged to donate a percentage of milk proceeds to support Bikra Clinic, which provides free or low cost Malaria medicine and treatment to all rural villagers.

ST. LUKE CLINIC IN KKONGE VILLAGE Kampala Diocese

Loaned eight cows and a barn to Kkongé parish community. Proceeds benefit the parish-based St. Luke Clinic and 13 sub-parish satellite medical / educational facilities across the 25 square mile region. Milk and calves produced by the herd also support community schools and agribusiness jobs program.

Future Proposals

Microfinance projects begin with a grant loan application. At present, we have received the following loan applications:

- Nandere Parish in the Luwero Diocese – Barn and 10 cows
- Our Lady of Lourdes – 10 cows

Requests have been made by the Mityana Diocese, Masaka Diocese, Soroti Diocese for grant applications. Also, grant proposals have been received from Lugazi Diocese Caritas, and 2nd Luwero Diocese Clinic.



Get Involved: Long Necks Club

In life, we are often see people suffering and are faced with the responsibility to help. In the modern age, we can see further due to our interconnected global society. We are privileged with “longer necks” that allow us to see those in need—even across the globe.

Visit www.MAAPFoundation.org/donate to contribute to our cause. Send checks made out to MAAPF Foundation to 434 West Park Street, Arlington Heights, IL 60005

