



GLOBAL GRANTS COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Use this form to report community assessment findings to The Rotary Foundation when you apply for a global grant.

Assessing the strengths, weaknesses, needs, and assets of the community you plan to help is an essential first step in designing an effective and sustainable global grant project. See [Community Assessment Tools](#) for full instructions and helpful tips.

This form will help you report the results of your community assessment, and it's required when you apply for any humanitarian or vocational training team grant. Complete a separate form for each beneficiary community (e.g., school, health care system, or village), using information that is both current and specific to each community. Remember, you can't use global grant funds to cover the cost of doing an assessment, but you can use district grant funds.

COMMUNITY OVERVIEW

Describe the characteristics (such as geographic information, main sources of income, population size, and access to education and health services) of the specific community where this project will take place.

The Lusaka Metro area has a population of over 3,324,000 people with most living in the high density residential townships commonly known as "Compounds". In these areas, we find the most underprivileged members of society who eke out a living as traders and vendors, with a very few number being formally employed. Government Health Facilities are available in each township but are generally overstretched in providing health care due to lack of equipment and funding issues. Patients and medical samples are frequently referred to the next level hospitals leading to extra costs and delays by patients in receiving medical attention.

COLLECTING COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT DATA

When you conducted the assessment, who in the community did you speak to? At least two different community representatives and beneficiaries who are not involved in Rotary (such as teachers, doctors, or community leaders) should be included in the discussions.

1. Community Leaders, Kanyama Constituency – Mr Phiri +260977371956
2. Community Leader - Lillian Mwale +260978785136

3. Community Leader - Rose Mukabe +260978887149
4. Sister Silavwe – was then at Kalingalinga Health Centre +260962785376
5. Lusaka District Medical Directors – Dr Rhoda Mkandawire +260977420737 (former Director)
6. Dr Astrida Maseka +260967458580 (Current Director)
7. Lusaka District Medical Equipment Co-ordinator – Mr Obert Samusiku +260977475939
8. Ministry of Health Stores & Equipment – Mr K Mbewe +260431458
9. Doctor Wilson Mbewe – Medical Superintendent Kanyama Level 1 Hospital +260977466316
10. Sister Permanent Secretary (Donor Coordinator) – Dr George Sinyangwe + 260

When in the last year did the discussions occur?

From April 2022 to date

What methods did you use to collect information from community members (such as community meetings, interviews, or focus groups)?

1. Community meetings with Health Professionals and another during free eye camps
2. Interviews during Visits to Health Facilities

TARGET POPULATION

Who will benefit directly from the project? List the groups that will benefit (such as schools, hospitals, vocational training centers, cooperatives, or villages).

1. The Lusaka catchment area of over 2 million people from the selected Health Facilities. It was not possible to cover all the Facilities in Lusaka for cost reasons. We can add another sizeable number as people from Lusaka Province also visit the same Health Facilities.
2. Health Professionals will benefit

Describe the process of how the beneficiaries were identified.

1. Over the years, the Rotary Club of Nkwazi has been working with the Ministry of Health in various Projects. It was during the visits to a Health Centre in the company of D6460 USA Group Study Exchange that we confirmed the dire need for hospital equipment and medical supplies. We interviewed the Health Staff. We later met patients and community leaders in follow up visits.

COMMUNITY STRENGTHS, NEEDS, PRIORITIES, AND PROJECT DESIGN

Describe what members of the community said matters to them during the assessment.

1. Availability of medical equipment, supplies and consumables leading to better health service delivery
2. Prompt service to patients without having to wait too long in queues or being referred to other Facilities and would therefore look for money for transport.
3. Safe working environment with the right tools for job for health professionals to enable them to give quality health service to patients.

Describe the community's strengths and resources.

1. The Community have a strong desire to improve their welfare and work as a cohesive team
2. Health staffs are dedicated to duty, patient and resilient and give their best under the circumstances. They therefore have the potential to give better quality service

Describe any challenges and gaps in the community's behaviors, skills, and knowledge.

1. The Communities are impoverished and cannot afford private medical care nor the expense to travel to Referral hospitals
2. Health Professionals lack the "tools" to give better health care

What issues will the project address, and how does the community currently address those issues?

1. The Project will address the scarcity of much needed medical equipment to health Centres and thus provide better health delivery. Currently, the Health Centres refer patients to higher level hospitals or make do with the little that is available. They also ask for more equipment from Government who are unable to adequately meeting the demand due to funding problems.

Provide the specific details of the project design and how it will solve these issues.

The needs were assessed through discussions with heads of the Facility and Department heads. The Assessment also involved visits to every section of the Facility to see what equipment was available and what was lacking. This gave a very accurate assessment of the requirements of each Facility and once the donations are received, they will make a huge impact.

Describe the long-term plan for the project (such as oversight, financial responsibilities, and expected behavior change) after Rotary's involvement ends.

The government of the Republic of Zambia through the Ministry of Health pledged to take all donations as Government property that will fall within their service and maintenance schedules hence ensuring sustainability of the Project. Host Rotarians will also go to facilities, months after the donation to check on the state of equipment and if need be, discuss with Health Professionals.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (FOR ALL ENVIRONMENT AND WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE PROJECTS)

What are currently the greatest environmental threats to local land, air, water resources, and the ecosystem?

n/a

List any cultural practices that are relevant to the project (such as agricultural techniques or traditions).

n/a

What positive and negative environmental changes do you expect to result from the project?

n/a