



A HAND FOR A REFUGEE

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A hand for a refugee (H4R) is a *registered* youth/women led social enterprise/ refugee based organization driven by a profound understanding of the urgent need to strengthen the socio-economic well-being of refugee communities.

**Cofounder;** Kataike Viola and Safali Libia

**Location;** Kyebitaka village, Kyangwali Refugee settlement-Kikuube district

**Mission statement;** Committed to uplifting refugee smallholder farmers through sustainable agriculture, fostering economic transformation, self-reliance, and resilient livelihoods

**Vision statement;** A sustainable, empowered, and thriving generation of Africa

**Objectives;**

- To achieve social and economic development and improved quality of life for disadvantaged rural households and communities.
- To forge livelihood solutions that will yield quality education and improve refugee livelihoods and self sustainability while in host communities in Uganda.

**Tagline;** Refugee welfare is our responsibility.

**Logo;**



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**Focus areas**



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1. Through climate-smart agriculture livelihood and economic empowerment, we advance and advocate for the economic potential of women and youth within refugee communities in Uganda by equipping them with the tools, skills, and opportunities necessary to build sustainable livelihoods.
2. Youth/ Women economic empowerment. In refugee settings, women and young people often face barriers to economic inclusion, including limited access to start-ups, heavy domestic burden, cultural gender discrimination, and business skills needed to thrive in the business world. These constraints leave many trapped in cycles of poverty and dependence, particularly in male-dominated households. A Hand for a Refugee (H4R) is committed to advancing the economic potential of women and youth within Kyangwali refugee communities by equipping them with the tools, skills, and opportunities necessary to build sustainable livelihoods. Our thematic area of Youth and Women Economic Empowerment directly contributes to SDG 1 and 5, which seeks to achieve zero poverty and gender equality and empower all women and girls respectively.
3. Quality education for girls. A hand for a refugee enhances access to quality education for girls and skilling for young women. This is through engaging parents in the above programs to save and enrol their girl children back to school and as well enrolling young women in the H4R skilling and capacity building for employment and economic development.

### **Impact measures and stories**

1. Over 350 households reached the Kyangwali refugee settlement, 1500 people reached both directly and indirectly and 75% of these are women.
2. One green jobs demonstration plant / land on 5 acres lobbied from the office of the prime minister and refugee law council
3. 200 women skilled in sustainable agriculture and economic empowerment green jobs
4. Through the Girl Fund, H4R was able to reach and impact 35 both girls and young mothers' ages of 15-30 years. These people of concern were from villages of Kyabitaka, Mukarange, Kilima, Kavule and Maratatu. All



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the 35 trainees trained in vegetable growing, watermelon farming, Fish farming and piggery farming between the period of April to September. These sessions went successful in that all trainees had lunch and breakfast and the Trainers were facilitated accordingly

5. Eco-sustainable solutions and contribution to the environment.

### **5 years plans**

- Expand to 50,000+ smallholder farmers, women, youths and girls in the next 5 years
- Innovate more 5 solutions that are scalable and sustainable
- Secure own space on 10 acres for co-creation, exhibition and knowledge sharing.
- Expand to three more refugee camps in Uganda.

### **Stories**

- [https://youtu.be/XdhlivF1\\_Kg](https://youtu.be/XdhlivF1_Kg)
- <https://youtu.be/yrokoQCBLBU>

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