# Manluku Youth Development Initiatives-Tanzania (Mydia-tz)



## **Annual Report**

### Fiscal Year 2022





#### Letter from the Board 2022

Dear Mydia-tz Members, Partners and Stakeholders.

As it was in 2021, the year 2022 was also a little bit challenging and decisive year for us. The COVID-19 pandemic affected us a lot in terms of funding. Most of the funders closed their offices and worked occupationally remotely, hence making the processes of project proposals difficult.

However, 2022 also had some positive developments for Mydia-tz. The organization had applied for and became the member of;

- Tanzania Water and Sanitation Network (TAWASANET). TAWASANET is the largest Water and Sanitation network in Tanzania, with more than 140 local and international that advocates for equitable access to water and sanitation services in Tanzania, with a lot of stakeholders' engagement at both local and national levels.
- Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL) network. HWPL is an international peace NGO founded for global peace and cessation of war, associated with the UN Department of Global Communications (DGC) and in Special Consultative Status with the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

We also got a new Donor partner, GAIA Initiatives (USA) who has funded us an on-going project on Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights - Tupange Maisha project, and a local implementing partner called Tumaini Walemavu, Mwilamvya- Kasulu, an organization of persons with disabilities in Mwilamvya ward of Kasulu district, for our on-going need assessment for children with disabilities in & out of school.

Mydia-tz also continued well with finalizing the assessments the "Rehabilitation of Biharu Gravity water system". Thanks to every team member contributing to these efforts!

For the next years, we aim to increase the impact of Mydia-tz by strengthening our fundraising strategies, so that we reach as many beneficiaries as possible. These ambitious plans wouldn't be possible without the support of every member and donor. Thank you!

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Secretary & Executive Director

Chairperson; Board of directors

Andrew B. Bugoye



#### Mydia-tz's highlights from 2022

- On-going Biharu water project, funded by Engineers without Borders-USA, Greater Austin Chapter
- On-going SRHRs Tupange Maisha project, funded by GAIA Initiatives, USA
- Member of the Tanzania Water and Sanitation Network (TAWASANET)
- Completed Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) program to adolescent girls with & without Disabilities, funded by a private donor in the USA.
- Celebrated the Global Day of Play, supported by CAC and EWB-USA
- Need assessment for children with disabilities in and out of school in Kasulu district.

#### Mydia-tz in numbers

	2022	2021	2020	2019
Number of projects	3	4	3	2
Number of beneficiaries reached	35,000	12,150	6,900	700

We well know that young people have the power to solve the challenges they face in the world, but they are being ignored and overlocked. MANLUKU YOUTH DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES – TANZANIA (Mydia-tz) is a non-for profit, non-governmental organization working with youth on matters related to promoting quality & inclusive education, livelihoods and Health (WASH & SRHRs) in Tanzania, with its headquarters in Kasulu town, Kigoma region – Tanzania. The aim of the organization is to provide good environments for opportunities that empowers young people to create positive change.

**Our vision**: Mydia-tz's vision is to be a center for sustainable social-economic development for youth.

**Our mission**: Bringing together initiatives to enhance youth through promotion of quality & inclusive education, health (SRHRs, WASH) and Livelihoods for sustainable development, and ensure that the voice of a young person is heard across decision-making platforms.

**Core values**: Respect, integrity, good governance and transparency

#### Partners and supporters

Since 2013, Mydia-tz (initially Manluku Entertainment), has been working very closely with different partners and supporters/donors. The organization appreciates the contributions made by the following;

- i. The Government of Tanzania
- ii. GAIA Initiatives, USA
- iii. Engineers Without Borders (EWB-USA), Greater Austin Chapter
- iv. Cambridge Development Initiatives, CDI
- v. Coaches Across Continent, CAC
- vi. Anike foundation, USA
- vii. Coca-Cola Tanzania
- viii. Monsanto Tanzania Ltd
- ix. Tanzania Water and Sanitation Network (TAWASANET)
- x. Tanzania Education Network (TEN/MET)
- xi. Heavenly Culture, World Peace, Restoration of Light (HWPL)
- xii. Tumaini Walemavu Kasulu, (Hope Disability Group- of Kasulu)
- xiii. The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)- Tanzania



#### Activities and achievements in 2022

#### 1. Health (WASH, Sexual Reproductive Health & Rights - SRHR)

During the reporting period, under WASH and SRHRs, Mydia-tz got support from two different donors for two different projects. One of the projects "Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) program to adolescent girls with & without Disabilities" was funded by a private donor from the USA and has reached 30 adolescent girls and three female teachers from three schools of Kabanga Mazoezi, Lugole and Nyankungwe primary schools of Kasulu district, through a two days training on Menstrual hygiene management and gender related issues. The program also provided 60 sanitary pads to the 30 trained girls.



Photo showing adolescent girls during the training.



Trainees showing some distributed sanitary pads

Adolescent girl with Albinism, demonstrating how to use a pad

The other project namely "Tupange Maisha" is a six months, on-going project aiming at increasing knowledge to reproductive youth of Kasulu district on SRHRs and family planning.



The project intends to reach 330 youth through organized trainings and other 25,000 people through five organized media awareness programs. During the reporting period, the project has done a project kick off meeting with key project stakeholders, conducted a based survey and a training to 30 ToTs.



Photos showing some presentations during the Tupange maisha, kick off meeting held at Kasulu town council's hall.

Mydia-tz with support from both Coaches across Continent (CAC) and Engineers Without Borders (EWB-USA), Greater Austin Chapter celebrated the Global Day of Play at both Biharu and Kabanga villages. CAC supported a training and celebration manual while EWB-USA



provided sports materials to be used during the peak day.



Phot: Global Day of Play

On the other hand, under Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH); the organization with collaboration with EWB-USA, Greater Austin chapter continued with its project for the rehabilitation Biharu Gravity water system at Biharu ward, whereby all water flow and water quality assessments were finalized. Below are some of the photos for the very activities.



Some photos showing the assessment team during EWB-USA visit at Biharu ward of Buhigwe district, Kigoma



#### 2. Education

Under Education, the organization in partnership with Tumaini Walemavu, has conducted a need assessment for children with Disabilities in and out school for Kasulu district, with an intention of establishing appropriate interventions for children to access their rights including right to quality & inclusive education as per Tanzania National Strategy of Inclusive Education (NSIE, 2021 - 2026).



Photo: Mydia-tz and Tumaini Walemavu signs a partnership Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), at Mydia-tz office



#### 3. Livelihoods

During the reporting period, Mydia-tz has conducted a two days entrepreneurship and life skills training for 35 youth (male and female) from Nyumbigwa and Msambara wards of Kasulu district, facilitated by one of the Kasulu district's government officials as a trainer.





Photo: During the entrepreneurship & life skills training for youth of Kasulu district, held at Kasulu district council's venue



Photos: After the entrepreneurship & life skills training for youth of Kasulu district, held at Kasulu district council's venue



#### 4. Advocacy, Capacity building and Networking

Mydia-tz has continued its cooperation with the Government of Tanzania through its respective offices, being a member of the national sector networks like Tanzania Education Network/Mtandao wa Elimu Tanzania (TEN/MET) and Tanzania Water and Sanitation Network (TAWASANET). The organization's staff has been attending different capacity building, networking and advocacy meetings through these links.



Photo: Mydia-tz attending the HWPL world peace summit, held in Dar es Salaam – Tanzania

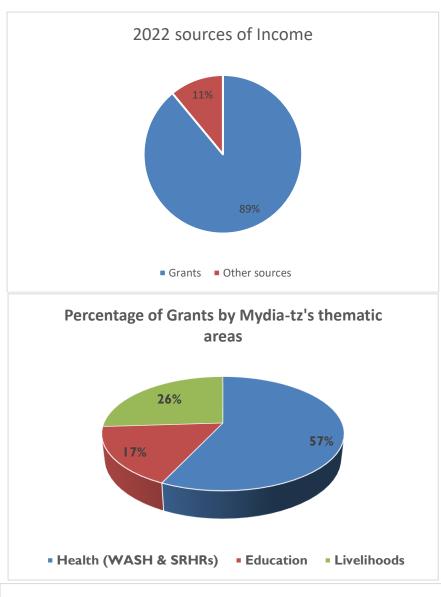


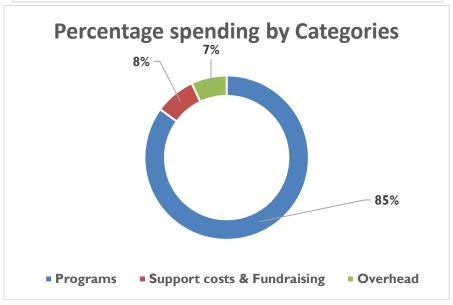
Photo: Kigoma region development stakeholders meeting organized by the Kigoma region administration held at Kigoma town



#### **Financials**

Our financial statements are prepared in compliance with the International financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and comply with the requirements of the Tanzania Non-Governmental Organizations act of 2002.





Thank you for supporting us!



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