



## HOPE OF FAMILY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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# CHILD FIRST

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## ABOUT HOPE OF FAMILY

The primary goal of Hope of Family is to promote parental involvement in their children education while improving families' socio-economic status. Families and Hope of Family staff agree on the contract terms to sign in order to effectively support their children and raise their school performance. Parents agree to visit their children on the weekly basis, provide more after-school time for their revision, respond sooner to teacher's or any other school leader' invitation to discuss about the child's learning.

### Our Mission

Reduce extreme family poverty through strong and efficient children education

### Our vision

Families that live decent life with appropriate and timely involvement in their children education.

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## Message from the Founder



*Dear Friends of Hope of Family,*

Welcome again to the third issue of Hope of Family Newsletter which is available by the end of every month.

The third issue of our monthly newsletter will brief you on the progress of our work in Shyogwe sector, Muhanga District where our Team have tried to fulfil their tasks despite this time when we all have to strengthen and keep observing the measures in place to contain the spread of Corona Virus pandemic.

We will also have a look on the proposed project of providing improved cookstoves to about 3,500 families in Muhanga District and if our project is successful with 24 months those families will start to receive those cookstoves which are favourable to the protection of Environment.

Within this time, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Hope of Family benefactors, beneficiaries, local administration for your support that you always provide to us in order to be successful in this journey of alleviating families from poverty while at the same time ensuring that all the children have access to education.

Enjoy the reading.

***Best Regards.  
Mpayimana Aimable,  
Founder and Legal Representative***



## HoF seeks to reduce Carbon emission by providing Improved Cookstoves to locals in Muhanga District

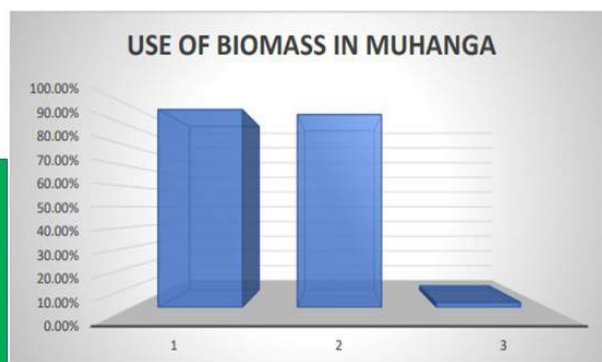


Poor cooking style leads to negative impacts on Air quality

### USE OF BIOMASS AS ENERGY FOR COOKING IN MUHANGA DISTRICT

<b>TOTAL USE OF BIOMASS</b>	98.30%
<b>FIREWOODS</b>	95.80%
<b>CHARCOAL</b>	2.50%

**98,3% of District Households are using biomass as energy for cooking such as firewood (95.8%), charcoal (2.5%), while at national level these are 86.3% for firewood and 10.6% for charcoal.**



Source: EICV 3

Hope of Family, a local NGO operating in Muhanga District in the Southern Province of Rwanda seeks the way to reduce carbon gas emission by providing Energy saving cookstove to at least 3,500 families in Muhanga District.

Wood-burning improved cook stoves will be distributed among households over the next 24 months under the Hope of Family stove project.

The distribution of these stoves will be targeting mainly two categories of people namely vulnerable communities and HoF beneficiaries including widows, household headed by children and the poorest households made of women and children.

The second category will be community members who are financially able to pay for the stove at subsidized cost.

According to the project designing Team, the construction of improved cooking stoves will reduce the quantity of wood used to cook, and will thus facilitate sustainable forest management and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

For the risk management, Hope of Family will work closely with Rwanda Environment Management Authority and other actors in the Energy Sector.

Statistics show that in Muhanga, 13.1% of Households have access to electricity and are using electricity as source of lighting against 10.8% at national level.

This is to say that most of the District households are using other sources of lighting such as oil lamp (4.9%), candle (1.7%), lantern (56.8) and other source of energy (0.3%), according to the third Integrated Households Living Survey.

Expert highlight that the lack of electricity has considerable negative impact in the development of Muhanga District.

Moreover, 98,3% of District Households are using biomass as energy for cooking such as firewood (95.8%), charcoal (2.5%), while at national level these are 86.3% for firewood and 10.6% for charcoal. This project of promoting the ceramic stove known as canarumwe (cook with one stick) in rural areas of Muhanga district-Southern Province of Rwanda, is a pilot project for the sustainable development of the market-based dissemination of improved cookstoves.

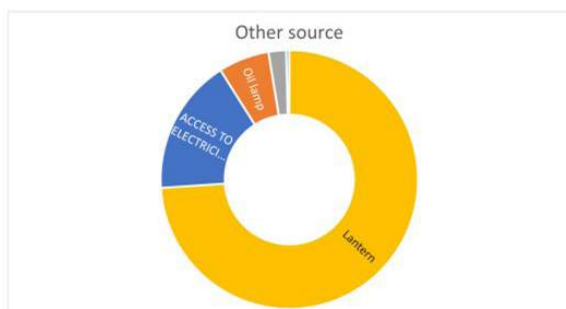
**It will contribute to the government efforts to make a radical shift from the free dissemination strategy to market-based dissemination of Improved cook stoves (ICS). This stove is locally manufactured and has been tested.**

#### USE OF OTHER SOURCES OF ENERGY-MUHANGA

##### ACCESS TO ELECTRICITY

Oil lamp  
Candle  
Lantern  
Other source

	DISTRICT LEVEL	NATIONAL LEVEL
Oil lamp	4.90%	
Candle	1.70%	
Lantern	56.80%	
Other source	0.30%	
ACCESS TO ELECTRICITY	13.10%	10.80%



**Oil lamp (4.9%),  
Candle (1.7%),  
Lantern (56.8)  
and other source  
of energy  
(0.3%),**

Source: EICV 3



# **Renovating beneficiaries' houses progressing well (PHOTOS)**





Rebuilding houses of Hope of Family beneficiaries is progressing well. Hope of Family believe that by the National Hero's Day which is set on 4th July 2020, all houses will be fully completed.

According to Hope of Family the handover of these houses will be done by the said date. Construction activities are being done by the beneficiaries themselves and their neighbours who believe that supporting a neighbour during the crises is a good act that anyone with good heart can do voluntarily.

Hope of Family's main objective in this activity is to make sure that the beneficiaries are living a decent life. According to the work plan, Hope of Family will ensure that the total cost for each house's renovation is provided.

The organization has allocated a budget to this cause, thanks to the benefactor's support which is enabling us to make this happen.

Five houses are set to be renovated after heavy rain destroyed them during the April to May rain.

It is expected that more families will be also supported case by case. We started with those whose houses were heavily damaged by the rain.





## **HOPE OF FAMILY donates Radios and Mobile Phones to 77 more beneficiaries in Muhanga**



HOPE OF FAMILY, a local NGO operating in Muhanga District, Shyogwe Sector has donated radios and mobile phones to 77 more beneficiary families to facilitate them have access to information as well as sharing daily updates among its beneficiaries. HoF also gave them solar power bank and home light.

Such charity activity took place last week on 6 June 2020 at Hope of Family Head Office which is located in Shyogwe Sector, Kinini cell.

The donation followed the previous one, the same of its kind, which took place in 2019 when 23 family beneficiaries were donated the same kits.

According Mfateneza Emmanuel, the Executive Director of HoF, "the donation is timely since children are still remaining at Home due to the COVID 19 pandemic, henceforth, they will be able to follow radio learning programs aired on regular basis to help students in a lockdown across the country."

For parents, mobile phones will ease their communications between family members as well as between parents and teachers in case of follow up to their children' education.

Child's school also will be able to call parents in case of the discussions regarding the student.

Hope of Family is also advocating for access to smart phones among beneficiaries since Smartphone is the best tool that will not only ease the smart communication but also enabling the real and timely project monitoring among beneficiaries from down to top level and vice versa.

The primary goal of Hope of Family is to promote parental involvement in their children's education while improving families' socioeconomic status.







## Hope of Family provides Health Insurance to 255 needy families in Muhanga



Hope of Family, a local NGO operating in Muhanga District has provided Health Insurance to 255 needy families who were identified in close collaboration with local leaders of Shyogwe Sector.

The beneficiaries were selected from two villages of Kinini cell namely Kabungo and Nyakabingo.

Hope of Family Health Insurance commitment was preceded by the meeting on 5th June 2020 with local leaders of the beneficiary villages as well as the Shyogwe sector administration.

The Health Insurance provided to needy families will cover the year 2020/2021 while in total 1, 162 family dependants will benefit from the Insurance.

255 families include 100 existing beneficiaries of Hope of Family plus 155 non beneficiaries who were selected by local leaders based on their living conditions.

Emmanuel Mfateneza, Executive Director of Hope of Family explained that “donating Health Insurance to

non-beneficiaries of Hope of Family is the contribution of the project through which HoF together with local administration seek to reach 100% Health Insurance Coverage in the two villages by 1 July 2020.”

This NGO is one of the prominent NGOs operating in Muhanga District which has proven to have obvious positive impacts on the living conditions of beneficiaries.

The NGO started with five families in the pilot stage which was followed by the replication of the program to more 100 families who live in Shyogwe Sector.

Mpayimana Aimable, the Founder and Legal representative of Hope of Family revealed that once means are available, more citizens will be added to the program. Hope of Family’s main objective is to combat extreme family poverty through children’s education.





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