

Basic Information

Grant title

RC Hillcrest & HACT Indalo Project to Empower Women

Type of Project

Humanitarian Project

Address community needs and produce sustainable, measurable outcomes

Primary Contacts

Name	Club	District	Sponsor	Role
Robert Campbell	Hillcrest	9370	Club	Host
Gary Dawyduk	Winnipeg	5550	Club	International

Committee Members

Host committee

Name	Club	District	Role
Imelda Haarhoff	Hillcrest	9370	Secondary Contact
William Gibson	Hillcrest	9370	Secondary Contact
Ian Bayley	Hillcrest	9370	Secondary Contact

International committee

Name	Club	District	Role
Strini Reddy	Winnipeg	5550	Secondary Contact International
Eva Vida	Winnipeg	5550	Secondary Contact International

Do any of these committee members have potential conflicts of interest?

No

Project Overview

Tell us a little about your project. What are the main objectives of the project, and who will benefit from it?

Objective is to improve the long term food security and livelihoods of vulnerable young women in Valley of 1000 Hills region through sustainable micro-agriculture. The objective is to train 60 unemployed young women, out of school – aged 18 – 30 - to propagate seedlings for sale within their communities in 6 groups of 10 trainees per group over a two year period. This will improve their
Food Security – to plant their own vegetables and fruit
Empower Women - through skills and business training – and thereby break down gender norms and stereotypes
The project will benefit 60 women and their families which can number an average 7 per household

Areas of Focus

Which area of focus will this project support?

Community economic development

Measuring Success

Community economic development

Which goals will your activity support?

Empowering marginalized communities by providing access to economic opportunities and services; Building the capacity of entrepreneurs, social businesses, and locally supported business innovators; Addressing gender or class disparities that prevent populations from obtaining productive work and accessing markets and financial services;

How will you measure your project's impact? You need to include at least one standardized measure from the drop-down menu as part of your application.

Measure	Collection Method	Frequency	Beneficiaries
Number of individuals trained	Direct observation	Every three months	100-499

Do you know who will collect information for monitoring and evaluation?

Yes

Name of Individual or Organization

Hillcrest Aids Centre Trust (HACT)

Briefly explain why this person or organization is qualified for this task.

HACT is a well established organisation, which has been at the forefront of the fight against HIV/AIDS and making a significant and meaningful impact in the lives of people infected and affected by the disease. Through their work in impoverished communities impacted by the disease HACT has developed various programs to uplift the communities - and empowering women by enabling them to earn a sustainable living such as - Woza Moya ("come spirit of change") Craft training and selling traditional homemade crafts, Gogo support groups program i.e. sewing, baking, Community and Homestead Gardens;

Location and Dates

Humanitarian Project

Where will your project take place?

City or town

Hillcrest KZN

Province or state

KZN

Country

South Africa

When will your project take place?

2022-10-01 to 2024-09-30

Participants

Cooperating Organizations (Optional)

Name	Website	Location
Hillcrest Aids Centre Trust	https://www.hillcraids.org.za	26 Old Main Rd, Hillcrest, Hillcrest South Africa

Supporting Documents

- GG2234575_HACT_Idalo_MOU.pdf

Do any committee members have a potential conflict of interest related to a cooperating organization?

No

Why did you choose to partner with this organization and what will its role be?

HACT was established 30 years ago and has been at the forefront of the fight against HIV/AIDS in the Valley of 1000 Hills region of KZN, South Africa. By adopting a holistic approach to assist people affected by the HIV/AIDS pandemic they have established a number of successful programs aimed at saving and transforming lives through sustainable interventions including, HIV prevention, health education, health care, community outreach, skills development, Food Security and economic empowerment. Empowering Women to feed themselves and earn an income in a dignified and sustainable manner - some of these programs include - Woza Moya ("come spirit of change") - provides craft training and selling traditional homemade crafts, Gogo support group programs i.e. sewing, baking, savings clubs, Community and Homestead Gardens; Skills Development and Training for Vulnerable Youth e.g. Ubunthu Ground Cafe Izingadi Zethemba (Gardens of Hope) Plant Nursery - propagate and sell seasonal vegetable seedlings Collectively HACT's projects and services impact the lives of over 10 000 people annually - the majority of whom are women, ovc's and youth.

Indalo = "work with Nature"

Partners (Optional)

List any other partners that will participate in this project.

no

Rotarian Participants

Describe the role that host Rotarians will have in this project.

Host Rotarians will monitor the project and provide whatever assistance is required by HACT for the successful implementation and running of the program

Describe the role that international Rotarians will have in this project.

Our International partners will provide guidance and assistance as best they can and monitor the project to ensure that it achieves the desired outcomes which is to train the 60 women in micro-agriculture, ensure that they achieve the level of food security desired and Women Empowerment by ensuring that they receive the required training and equipment required to achieve a sustainable level on income

Budget

What local currency are you using in your project's budget?

The currency you select should be what you use for a majority of the project's expenses.

Local Currency	U.S. dollar (USD) exchange rate	Currency Set On
ZAR	15.5	24/12/2021

What is the budget for this grant?

List each item in your project's budget. Remember that the project's total budget must equal its total funding, which will be calculated in step 9. Every global grant includes a match of at least \$15,000 from The Rotary Foundation's World Fund. Project budgets, including the World Fund match, must be at least \$30,000.

#	Category	Description	Supplier	Cost in ZAR	Cost in USD
1	Supplies	Garden Kits	Various	313800	20245
2	Training	Seedling Production Course	HACT	73050	4713
3	Project management	Mentoring & Visits	HACT	129800	8374
4	Training	Women's Health Course	HACT	9840	635
5	Training	Women Empowerment and self-defense Course	HACT	67440	4351
6	Training	Basic Business Skills Course	HACT	129720	8369
7	Project management	Project Monitoring and Evaluation	HACT	84120	5427
8	Monitoring/evaluation	Club Admin costs	RC Hillcrest	12120	782
Total budget:				819890	52896

Funding

Tell us about the funding you've secured for your project. We'll use the information you enter here to calculate your maximum possible funding match from the World Fund.

#	Source	Details	Amount (USD)	Support*	Total
1	Cash from Club	Hillcrest	2,000.00	100.00	2,100.00
2	District Designated Fund (DDF)	9370	5,500.00	0.00	5,500.00
3	Cash from Club	Winnipeg	10,000.00	500.00	10,500.00
4	District Designated Fund (DDF)	5550	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
5	Cash from Club	Oakville	5,000.00	250.00	5,250.00
6	District Designated Fund (DDF)	6820	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00

*Whenever cash is contributed to the Foundation to help fund a global grant project, an additional 5 percent is applied to help cover the cost of processing these funds. Clubs and districts can receive Paul Harris Fellow

recognition points for the additional expense.

How much World Fund money would you like to use on this project?

You may request up to 16,400.00 USD from the World Fund.

15396

Funding Summary

DDF contributions:	20,500.00
Cash contributions:	17,000.00
Financing subtotal (matched contributions + World Fund):	52,896.00
Total funding:	52,896.00
Total budget:	52,896.00

Sustainability

Humanitarian Projects

Project planning

Describe the community needs that your project will address.

The Valley of 1000 Hills Community is an impoverished region in KZN with a high level of HIV / AIDS infections. Unemployment is extremely high. Through our 1000 Survival Gardens Project and HACT's Community Gardens Project there is a need for seedling propagation to supply seasonal vegetable seedlings to the community. Young women are particularly at high risk of HIV / AIDS infection for a myriad reasons which include unemployment and poverty. This project will provide 60 young women aged 18 to 30 with the skills to propagate seedlings, provide food security for themselves and their families whilst empowering the women with skills and business training to also earn an income and thereby strengthen their decision making power within their families and communities

How did your project team identify these needs?

The current unemployment rate stands at 34,4% with Youth aged 15-24 at 64,4% and 25 -34 at 42,9%.

Through our projects and that of HACT in the community we have a need for the production of the seedlings and this project will enable us to train 60 young women to cultivate and sell their seedlings to a captured market of our homestead and community gardens

How were members of the benefiting community involved in finding solutions?

The Gogos in the community are already running community and homestead gardens but have to incur costs to travel to purchase seasonal seedlings. A local source within the community will thus save time and costs to obtain the required seedlings

How were community members involved in planning the project?

The Gogos are already currently purchasing the seeds and seedlings and have identified the need for seedlings to be obtained from within their community

Project implementation

Summarize each step of your project's implementation.

Do not include sensitive personal data, such as government ID numbers, religion, race, health information, etc. If you include personal data, you are responsible for informing those whose personal data is included that you are providing it to Rotary and that it will be processed in accordance with Rotary's [Privacy Policy](#).

#	Activity	Duration
1	Identify 60 women who will participate	4 weeks
2	confirm suitable venues for training	3 weeks
3	Purchase the required basic equipment	4 weeks
4	provide the 5 x half day Vegetable Seedling Cultivation course	6 weeks
5	Visit each trainee's homestead to prepare for installation of portable greenhouse tunnels	6 weeks
6	Provide 1 day My Health My Future Training Course	1 week
7	provide 4 day Basic Business & Entrepreneurial Skills Training	6 weeks
8	6 month Field-based Training and Mentorship	24 months
9	ongoing guidance and mentorship by HACT	indefinite
10	the above activities will be repeated to cover 6 groups of 10 trainees	2 years

Will you work in coordination with any related initiatives in the community?

Yes

Briefly describe the other initiatives and how they relate to this project.

Together with RC Winnipeg, RC Gibsons and the Roll A Hippo Foundation all Canadian based we established the "1000 Survival Gardens Project" for the distribution of "Survival Garden Kits" which consists of a hippo roller (to convey water), garden tools / equipment, seeds, seedlings to families and communities to establish homestead and community gardens. HACT through its outreach program in the Valley of 1000 Hills, already run 36 large scale community gardens and various homestead gardens.

Please describe the training, community outreach, or educational programs this project will include.

The program includes the following training aspects:

- i) Micro Horticulture for seedling production
- ii) Vegetable gardening
- ii) Women's Health and wellbeing training
- iii) IMpower Empowerment and Self defence - gender based violence prevention training course
- iv) Basic business skills training

The above will empower these women to become economically active and give them a greater voice within their communities and households

How were these needs identified?

Through our "1000 Survival Gardens Project" we have provided the community with garden equipment. Gogos (Grandmothers) from HACT's Community and homestead garden projects. HACT's Youth facilitators and Gogo Community Field Officers have identified the need for locally produced seeds and seedlings - all year round. Currently they have to travel to obtain the seedlings which requires transport and costs. This gives us the opportunity to engage and train younger women who are at risk of HIV contraction to be trained and empowered to earn an income and be more positively engaged within their community. This project brings the seedling supply into the heart of the community, retains the economic growth within the community - whilst empowering the younger women within the community.

What incentives (for example, monetary compensation, awards, certification, or publicity), will you use, if any, to encourage community members to participate in the project?

They will obtain the training, the equipment required to get them started and certificates will be issued as they complete the various phases of their training.

Thereafter they will be mentored to ensure the sustainability of the project.

List any community members or community groups that will oversee the continuation of the project after grant-funded activities conclude.

HACT will maintain their mentorship and guidance after the completion of the grant funded activities as they will form part of the HACT Community garden program

Budget

Will you purchase budget items from local vendors?

Yes

Explain the process you used to select vendors.

Quotations will be obtained from Vendors we have experience with to provide quality products

Did you use competitive bidding to select vendors?

No

Please explain.

We are most concerned with the quality and durability of the products supplied.

Please provide an operations and maintenance plan for the equipment or materials you anticipate purchasing for this project. This plan should include who will operate and maintain the equipment and how they will be trained.

The materials utilised are low maintenance and only the seedling growing tunnel structures need to be secured in a good condition - these can be easily repaired by sewing any torn coverings.

Describe how community members will maintain the equipment after grant-funded activities conclude. Will replacement parts be available?

By selling the seedlings the young entrepreneurs will earn an income to replenish stock and maintain the equipment. They will also have an ongoing relationship with HACT's Nursery and Field monitors to assist and guide with any stock replenishment and / or repairs.

If the grant will be used to purchase any equipment, will the equipment be culturally appropriate and conform to the community's technology standards?

Yes

Please explain.

The equipment is basic and proven suitable over time.

After the project is completed, who will own the items purchased by grant funds? No items may be owned by a Rotary district, club, or member.

The items will be owned by the beneficiaries

Funding

Does your project involve microcredit activities?

No

Have you found a local funding source to sustain project outcomes for the long term?

No

Will any part of the project generate income for ongoing project funding? If yes, please explain.

Yes - the beneficiaries will propagate seedlings for sale to generate and income. And with HACT's 32 years engagement with the community they will have an ongoing relationship with HACT's Nursery team and field monitors.

Supporting Documents

- Community_Assessment_support_letter.pdf
- GG2234575_HACT_Idalo_MOU.pdf
- HACT_Support_Letter_Ma_Cwengi_Myeni_Feb_2022.pdf
- HACT_Support_Letter_Sibisi_Feb_2022.pdf
- HVD_-_Seedling_Tunnel_Price_list.pdf
- Quote_Botha's_Hill_Hardware_CC_QTE95336_(1).PDF
- Rotary_Global_Grant_Budget_Rev_1.xlsx

Authorizations

Authorizations & Legal Agreements

Legal agreement

Global Grant Agreement

I confirm and agree to the following:

1. All information contained in this application is, to the best of our knowledge, true and accurate.
2. We have read the Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation District Grants and Global Grants ("Terms and Conditions") and will adhere to all policies therein.
3. The grant sponsors ("Sponsors") shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Rotary International (RI) and The Rotary Foundation (TRF), including their directors, trustees, officers, committees, employees, agents, associate foundations and representatives (collectively "RI/TRF"), from and against all claims, including but not limited to claims of subrogation, demands, actions, damages, losses, costs, liabilities, expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees and other legal expenses), awards, judgments, and fines asserted against or recovered from RI/TRF arising out of any act, conduct, omission, negligence, misconduct, or unlawful act (or act contrary to any applicable governmental order or regulation) resulting directly or indirectly from a Sponsor's and/or participant's involvement in grant-funded activities, including all travel related to the grant.
4. The failure of the parties to comply with the terms of this Agreement due to an act of God, strike, war, fire, riot, civil unrest, hurricane, earthquake, or other natural disasters, acts of public enemies, curtailment of transportation facilities, political upheavals, acts of terrorism, or any similar cause beyond the control of the parties shall not be deemed a breach of this Agreement. In such an event, the Agreement shall be deemed terminated and the Sponsors shall refund all unexpended global grant funds within 30 days of termination.

5. TRF's entire responsibility is expressly limited to payment of the total financing amount. TRF does not assume any further responsibility in connection with this grant.
6. TRF reserves the right to cancel the grant and/or this Agreement without notice upon the failure of either or both of the Sponsors to abide by the terms set forth in this Agreement and the Terms and Conditions. Upon cancellation, TRF shall be entitled to a refund of any global grant funds, including any interest earned, that have not been expended.
7. The laws of the State of Illinois, USA, without reference to its conflicts of laws principles, shall govern all matters arising out of or relating to this Agreement, including, without limitation, its interpretation, construction, performance, and enforcement.
8. Any legal action brought by either party against the other party arising out of or relating to this Agreement must be brought in either, the Circuit Court of Cook County, State of Illinois, USA or the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, USA. Each party consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of these courts, and their respective appellate courts for the purpose of such actions. Nothing herein prohibits a party that obtains a judgment in either of the designated courts from enforcing the judgment in any other court. Notwithstanding the foregoing, TRF may also bring legal action against Sponsors and/or individuals traveling on grant funds in any court with jurisdiction over them.
9. This Agreement binds and benefits the parties and their respective administrators, legal representatives, and permitted successors and assigns.
10. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
11. Sponsors may not assign any of its rights under this Agreement except with the prior written consent of TRF. Sponsors may not delegate any performance under this Agreement without the prior written consent of TRF. Any purported assignment of a Sponsor's rights or delegation of performance without TRF's prior written consent is void.
12. TRF may assign some or all of its rights under this Agreement to an associate foundation of TRF. TRF may delegate any performance under this Agreement to an associate foundation. Any other purported assignment of TRF's rights or delegation of performance without the Sponsors' prior written consent is void.
13. Sponsors will comply with all economic and trade sanctions, including those implemented by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) of the United States Department of Treasury, and will ensure that they do not support or promote violence, terrorist activity or related training, or money laundering.
14. This Agreement constitutes the final agreement between the parties. No amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective unless it is in the form of a writing signed by the parties.
15. Rotary International (RI) and TRF may use information contained in this application and subsequent reports to promote the activities by various means such as The Rotarian, Rotary Leader, rotary.org, etc. Unless indicated otherwise in writing, by submission of the photos, the parties hereby grant to RI and TRF the worldwide right to publish and use the photos, including but not limited to, in RI and TRF publications, advertisements, and Web sites and on social media channels and to license use to others, including, but not limited to, media outlets and its partners and through RI's online image database, for the purposes of promoting Rotary. By submitting the photos, the parties represent and warrant that all persons appearing in the photos have given their unrestricted written consent to use their likenesses and to license use to third parties.
16. The Sponsors agree to share information on best practices when asked, and TRF may provide their contact information to other Rotarians who may wish advice on implementing similar activities.
17. The Sponsors will ensure that all individuals traveling on grant funds have been informed of the travel policies stated in the Terms and Conditions and have been made aware that they are responsible for obtaining

travel insurance.

Primary contact authorizations

Application Authorization

By submitting this global grant application, we agree to the following:

1. All information contained in this application is, to the best of our knowledge, true and accurate, and we intend to implement the activities as presented in this application.
2. The club/district agrees to undertake these activities as a club/district.
3. We will ensure all cash contributions (as detailed in the grant financing) will be forwarded to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) or sent directly to the global grant bank account after Trustee approval of the grant.
4. Rotary International (RI) and TRF may use information contained in this application to promote the activities by various means such as The Rotarian, the RI international convention, RVM: The Rotarian Video Magazine, etc.
5. We agree to share information on best practices when asked, and TRF may provide our contact information to other Rotarians who may wish advice on implementing similar activities.
6. To the best of our knowledge and belief, except as disclosed herewith, neither we nor any person with whom we have or had a personal or business relationship are engaged, or intend to engage, in benefiting from TRF grant funds or have any interest that may represent a potential competing or conflicting interest. A conflict of interest is defined as a situation in which a Rotarian, in relationship to an outside organization, is in a position to influence the spending of TRF grant funds, or influence decisions in ways that could lead directly or indirectly to financial gain for the Rotarian, a business colleague, or his or her family, or give improper advantage to others to the detriment of TRF.

All Authorizations & Legal Agreements Summary

Primary contact authorizations

Name	Club	District	Status
Robert Campbell	Hillcrest	9370	
Gary Dawyduk	Winnipeg	5550	

District Rotary Foundation chair authorization

Name	Club	District	Status
Robert Durston	Neepawa	5550	
Gianna Doubell	Algoa Bay	9370	

DDF authorization

Name	Club	District	Status
Gavin Jepson	Hibiscus Coast- (Margate and Uvongo)	9370	
Gianna Doubell	Algoa Bay	9370	
Fred Wright	Kenora	5550	
Robert Durston	Neepawa	5550	
Mark DiBiase	Greenville	6820	
William Thurmond	Lexington	6820	

Legal agreement

Name	Club	District	Status
Jeannette Brigit	Winnipeg	5550	
Ian Bayley	Hillcrest	9370	