

**CONSTITUTION  
OF  
SAVING CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN  
UGANDA**

**( SACY UGANDA )**

**IBAMBIRO CELL**

**RUSHOROZA PARISH**

**KIHIIHI SUB COUNTY**

**KANUNGU DISTRICT**

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## **Preamble**

We, Saving children and youth in Uganda members are convinced of the need to organize ourselves into a development focused group prompted by the desire to establish strong links in order to identify and overcome our social economic problems.

We undersigned members here by on 12<sup>th</sup> /02/2021 declare to abide by this constitution as a supreme binding authority on resolution and policy for the material time being and working together.

## **Article 1.0: Name and Address of the group.**

**1:1:**The name of the group shall be saving children and youth in Uganda(SACY)

Physical Address: Ibambiro cell,Rushoroza parish,Kihiihi subcounty,Kanungu district

## **Article 2.0: General objectives of the group.**

The general objective of the group is to eradicate household poverty among members and sensitizing the children and youth on the promotion and protection of environment, and development programs like goat rearing, children and youth empowerment and other income generating activities.

## **2:2: Specific objectives of the group shall be;**

- (a) To protect and conserve the environment of Ibambiro - Rushoroza Kihiihi subcounty and other areas of Uganda as well.
- (b) To organize and educate the indigenous communities on conserving their traditional cultural practices for future generation and environmental conservation purposes for community welfare.
- (c) To promote the saving culture in our community.
- (d) To promote viable market for our products through improved quality and market quality research.
- (e) To promote community skills and talents of the youth.
- (f) To eradicate poverty in our families.
- (g) To promote co operation among members and awareness about income generating activities

## **2:3: Activities of the group**

- (a) Creating environmental conservation awareness in the communities
- (b) Creating awareness on HIV/AIDS including in the rural communities
- (c) Working with children and youth living with disabilities
- (d) Conservation in photography project
- (e) Youth empowerment
- (f) Adult learning
- (g) Agriculture programs e.g. fruit growing vegetable growing poultry keeping goat rearing etc
- (h) Promoting Art and craft, culture and Music dance and drama

- (i) Promoting food security and nutrition programs
- (j) Creating awareness about the dangers of domestic violence
- (k) Addressing the dangers of drug abuse and alcoholism

**Article 3:0: Membership benefits of members and the cessation of memberships**

**3:1:** Membership of the group shall be required by the people with the following qualifications

- a) A good member to join the group must be a citizen of Uganda but preferably a resident of Ibambiro in Rushoroza parish kihiihi sub county
- b) Any member will be asked only 10,000 as membership fee in order to develop our SACY group
- c) Must have paid the membership determined by the group
- d) Must be a female / male between the age of 18 and 50 years
- e) Must declare a person who shall succeed his/her share on cessation of membership
- f) Must be taking part in group activities like vegetable growing or goat rearing
- g) Must be a person of good character
- h) Must be trust worthy
- i) Must a bid by the constitution and rules and regulations of the group

**Article 4.0: Cessation of membership.**

Any member shall be ceased by;

- a) Failure to abide with the constitutional rules and regulations of the group and being warned, fined and fails to pay.
- b) The dismissal of a member by general meeting for Gross misconduct.
- c) The general meeting shall decide the benefits of dismissed member or else the CDO shall be informed for advice.
- d) A member who decides to leave the group and goes shall not share on the assets of the group.
- e) If a member voluntarily withdraws from the group .
- f) If a member embezzles group funds.

**Article 5.0: Organs and management of the group.**

**5.1 The following shall be organs of the group.**

- a) The general meeting assembly.
- b) The executive committee
- c) Other committees (as need arises).

**5.2 Powers and function of the general assembly.**

- a) Be composed of all members of the group.
- b) Be the supreme organ of the group.

- c) Discuss all the concerns / needs and problems of the group.
- d) Pass resolutions for effective implementation.
- e) Have the power to elect office bearers.
- f) Shall constitute a committee where necessary.

#### **Article 6.0: Extra ordinary general meeting**

6.1 An extra ordinary general meeting shall be convened whenever there is an urgent need.

6.2 An extra ordinary general meeting shall be convened whenever the executive committee deems it necessary.

#### **Article 7.0: Executive committee .**

**7.1 An executive committee shall be composed of 9 members.**

- a) The chairperson
- b) Vice chairperson
- c) Secretary
- d) Treasurer
- e) And other 5 members

**7.2. The executive committee shall have the following functions.**

- a) It shall carryout the duties assigned by them by the general meeting.
- b) The executive committee shall plan and make proposals and present them to the general meeting for approval / adjustment.
- c) The life of the executive committee shall be two years from the date of its election and shall meet whenever there is need to do so.
- d) To implement decision of the general meeting .
- e) To monitor the activities of the group.
- f) To formulate rules and regulations of the group for approval by the general meeting.

**7.3. The chairperson shall**

- a) Arrange with the secretary and call meetings.
- b) Chair the meetings.
- c) Be a signatory of legal documents.
- d) Do other duties assigned to him / her by the group.

**7.4. The Secretary.**

- a) Shall take and keep records of minutes for both general and Executive meetings.
- b) Shall arrange and prepare meetings liaison with the chairperson.
- c) In his /her absence, a temporally secretary shall be elected.

## **7.5. The Treasure.**

- a) Shall be accepted to be a person of integrity and shall control the funds on behalf of the group.
- b) Shall safeguard financial books.
- c) Shall make sure that all funds are properly banked, credited or saved.
- d) Shall present a financial report when there is need for it.
- e) Shall be able to solicit ways and means of getting income the group.

## **Article 8.0: Finance.**

8.1. Financial year of the group shall commence from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December of every year.

### **8.1.1. Fines.**

- Missing a meeting.
- Late coming / rumor mongering.
- Make unnecessary noise in the meeting.

### **8.2. Source of funds shall be.**

- a) Membership
- b) Grants
- c) Donations
- d) Fines
- e) Fundraising activities
- f) Members voluntary contributions
- g) Any other funds which may be raised in accordance with objectives of the group / sales of products.

## **Article 9.0: Bank Account.**

- a) The group shall keep its funds on a bank account to be opened up in the nearest bank as agreed by members.
- b) The signatories of the bank account shall be 3 of the following.  
Chairperson, treasurer and secretary.
- c) The principle bank signatory shall be the chairperson to sign with any of the two.
- d) Annual estimates / budgets shall be approved by the general meeting after being discussed by the executive committee.

## **Article 10.0: Amendment of the constitution.**

$\frac{3}{4}$  of the general meeting shall be able to make any amendment in the constitution and shall inform members within 14 days before amendment is done.

**Article 11.0. Affiliation.**

The group shall be free to affiliate to government agencies and nongovernmental organizations as shall be resolved in the general meeting.

**Article 12.0. Official Language.**

The official language shall be English but in meetings Rukiga / Runyankore shall be used and shall meet once a month.

**Article 13.0. Quorum.**

- a) The Quorum of the Executive shall be 2/3 of numbers.
- b) The general meeting Quorum shall also be 2/3 of the general members.

**Article 14.0. Members' rights and obligations.**

Members shall have a right to make decisions and shall have obligation to contribute to the implementation of the resolutions passed by the general meeting.

**Article 15.0. vacation of the office**

Officers of the group shall vacate offices by resolution made by general meeting or a letter written by the executive pending confirmation by the general meeting.

**Article 16.0. Books of Accounts.**

The group shall keep the following books of accounts;

- a) Memberships register.
- b) Cash book
- c) Receipt book
- d) Payment voucher
- e) Minute book

**Article 17.0. Dissolution.**

- a) This group may be dissolved by the general meeting by a resolution passed by 2/3 majority votes in favor of the motion.
- b) Notice of at least 30 days shall be given to all fully paid up members of the group in advance prior to the meeting of the general meeting to consider the motion to dissolve the group.
- c) The general meeting shall subsequently pass the motion and establish a 5 person committee which will ensure the orderly dissolution of the association and after payment of debts of the association the remaining property and assets shall be shared appropriately and community development officer shall be informed in writing.

**Article 18.0. Adoption of the constitution.**

The constitution of the Saving Children and Youth in Uganda is here by adopted by the undersigned members to govern our group to guide us for prosperity and development and this constitution is adopted on 12<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2021.

NO	NAME	SEX	TITLE
1	AGABA BRILLIANT	M	CHAIRPERSON
2	NDUHUKIRE ESAU	M	VICE CHAIRPERSON
3	KEMIGISHA JACKLINE	F	SECRETARY
4	ASIIMWE YONA	M	TREASURE
5	AKAKWANSA MARK	M	MEMBER
6	MUGISHA DERRICK	M	MEMBER
7	NIWAHA MARKLINE	F	MEMBER
8	ARIHO ALICE	F	MEMBER
9	MUGUME KENNETH	M	MEMBER
10	AINEMBABAZI SUZAN	F	MEMBER
11	TWINE ARNOLD	M	MEMBER
12	AHIMBISIBWE ALEX	M	MEMBER