

# imbuto foundation



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Literally translated, imbuto [eem-bu-toh] means 'seed'.

“A seed well planted, watered, nurtured and given all the necessary support, successfully grows into a healthy plant – one that reaches high and stands tall. Imbuto Foundation envisions this for all its current initiatives and those in the future.”

First Lady of the Republic of Rwanda  
and Chairperson of Imbuto Foundation,  
H.E. Mrs Jeannette Kagame

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### **VISION**

A nation of empowered and dignified Rwandans.



### **MISSION**

To support the development of a healthy, educated and prosperous society.



### **VALUES**

Excellence, Integrity, Innovation, Solidarity and Commitment.



### **STRATEGY**

Imbuto Foundation's work is aligned to national priorities and it fulfils its mission through advocacy, community outreach, mentorship, fostering partnerships and unleashing young talent.

**ENGAGE. EDUCATE. EMPOWER.**

## OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

We are guided by the following five principles, that are integral to the role we must play in catalysing growth in the ecosystems of education, health, youth and economic empowerment.

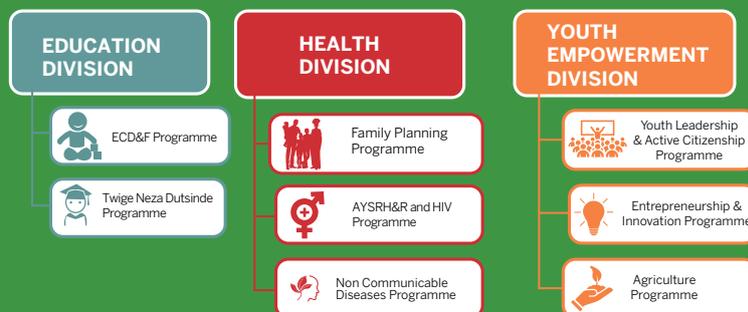
1. We invest first and foremost in people: our mission is to empower individuals to take advantage of opportunities. Fundamentally, our work needs to touch a person and consequently their communities.
2. We invest in challenges that are not being addressed by others: we like to be catalytic and sustainable. If other funding and implementing partners are adequately addressing a problem, we will move on. If it is not being addressed, we will build a sustainable way to do so.
3. We invest with partners whose values resonate with ours: we understand that the challenges we face cannot be solved by individual action but rather with collaborative action. However, we will only work with like minded and value-driven partners.
4. We invest in solutions that lead to the achievement of national, regional and global goals: we see ourselves as partners for the development of Rwanda, the region, and the world at large. We therefore align our objectives with the country's National Strategy for Transformation (NST), with Agenda 2063 for the Africa We Want, and with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
5. We invest in harnessing the power of innovation and technology: technology gives us, on a scale and speed never before possible, the opportunity to further our impact, and tap into latest trends and developments.

## TARGET FOCUS

The 2018-2024 Strategic Operating Plan has opened the way for a new direction, under the following priorities:

- Contributing to a competitive knowledge-based economy through motivated, excellent and well-educated students.
- Contributing to the improved quality of life through informed, confident and healthy citizens.
- Contributing to equitable and sustained national development through productive and engaged youth and women.
- Multiplying and scaling up impact generated by Imbuto Foundation interventions.
- Imbuto becoming a self-sustained and philanthropic Foundation to make an impact.

Our programmes, therefore, have been strategically restructured to feature targeted programmes and initiatives aimed at maximising our impact and realising our newly established goals.



At the Foundation, we have two additional departments that contribute to strengthening the capacity of implementing partners and financing new strategic initiatives: Knowledge Development and Research, and Resource Mobilisation and Partnerships.

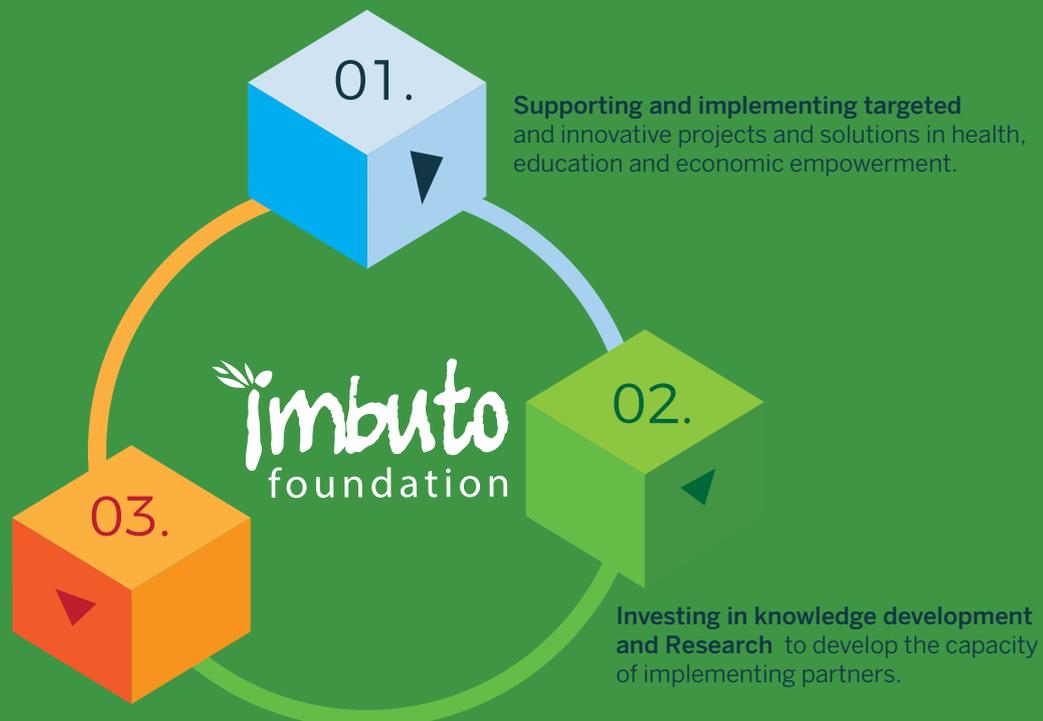
# OUR STRATEGIC DIRECTION

Through its work and advocacy, the Foundation has, over the years, emerged as a trusted and committed partner of choice for the Nation's development, reputed for its ability to deliver impact efficiently and effectively. The Foundation has grown to manage over 20 projects in the areas of health, education and youth empowerment, since its inception in 2001.

To expand on this past experience and maximise its impact, Imbuto Foundation continues to direct its interventions within the framework of its Strategic Operation Plan 2018–2024. The Foundation has transitioned to developing the capacity of implementing partners and to fostering greater collaboration in the ecosystem within which it operates.

More specifically, the Foundation:

- Supports and implements targeted, people and community-centred programmes.
- Lays emphasis on generating and documenting lessons learnt from its experience in implementing programmes.
- Facilitates and catalyses effective collaboration to strengthen ecosystems in its areas of intervention.



# OUR UNIQUE APPROACH

Our unique approach is a community-centered and holistic model that seeks to meet the needs of those we serve during their entire life cycle, from early childhood to adulthood.



## ACRONYMS & DESCRIPTIONS

<b>AERG</b>	Genocide Survivors Students Association
<b>ANC</b>	Antenatal Care
<b>AYSRH&amp;R</b>	Adolescent and Youth Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights
<b>ASRH</b>	Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health
<b>APESEK</b>	Association pour l'encadrement sûr des enfants orphelins et autres enfants vulnérables de Kivumu
<b>CBOs</b>	Community-Based Organisations
<b>CBHI</b>	Community Based Health Insurance
<b>CHWs</b>	Community Health Workers
<b>COVID-19</b>	Coronavirus Disease 2019
<b>CYRWA</b>	Celebrating Young Rwanda Achievers
<b>ECD</b>	Early Childhood Development
<b>ECD&amp;F</b>	Early Childhood Development & Family
<b>FASACO</b>	Fondation des Activistes Pour la santé de qualité dans la Communauté
<b>FP</b>	Family Planning
<b>GS</b>	Groupe Scolaire
<b>GBV</b>	Gender-Based Violence
<b>HC</b>	Health Centre
<b>HIV</b>	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
<b>HIV/AIDS</b>	Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
<b>ICTs</b>	Information Communication Technologies
<b>ID</b>	Identity Document
<b>IGAs</b>	Income Generating Activities
<b>KABC</b>	Kigali Alliance Business Centre
<b>MM</b>	Mountain Movers
<b>MEG</b>	Mathematics Economics and Geography
<b>NCDs</b>	Non-Communicable Diseases
<b>NCDA</b>	National Child Development Agency
<b>PAC</b>	Parent-Adolescent Communication
<b>RMNCAH</b>	Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health
<b>STIs</b>	Sexually Transmitted Infections
<b>TND</b>	Twige Neza Dutsinde
<b>TVET</b>	Technical and Vocational Education and Training
<b>UNFPA</b>	United Nations Population Fund
<b>USD</b>	United States Dollar
<b>VUP</b>	Vision 2020 Umurenge Programme
<b>YFS</b>	Youth Forum Series

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As we embark on this remarkable journey through Imbuto Foundation's annual report for the year 2022 - 2023, we are proud to highlight the outstanding contributions and commitment of all involved in making Imbuto Foundation a symbol of hope and progress, empowering countless individuals through various programs and initiatives. The Foundation has worked tirelessly to improve the lives of Rwandans, particularly youth and vulnerable groups, by collaborating with national efforts to provide access to education, healthcare, and socioeconomic opportunities.

This past year has been filled with valuable lessons. Despite having just overcome a pandemic, Rwanda has maintained a promising pace in its race to Sustainable Development by 2030. For Imbuto Foundation, this has at times meant intervening beyond our usual programmatic engagements, in order to join the nation in tackling emergencies such as the May 2023 floods. We are grateful to our staff and to the Rwandan population for the dynamism and commitment with which they joined disaster relief efforts.

However, this spirit of solidarity wasn't limited to times of adversity. The past year saw a plethora of celebration-worthy moments. The FIFA Congress was an inspiring success, which allowed us to engage with talented football stars and adepts from across the world. Imbuto Foundation launched a new Agriculture Challenge, rewarded a new cohort of innovative young entrepreneurs, organised youth forums, mental health campaigns, and yes, pursued all our other mandates with encouraging results.

Nevertheless, we have been compelled to address a heavy question that is too often avoided in public discourse. Indeed, while the stigma surrounding mental health persists, we are merely sticking our hands in the sand, in the face of an issue that impacts us all, directly or indirectly. We must now ask the tough questions, take accountability where needed, and build systems that cater to all facets of our citizens' health. The nationwide campaign encouraging our youth to drink responsibly is complementary to our efforts to support mental health awareness, and we are optimistic that it will shed light on the dangers of substance abuse.

As we engage in the new fiscal year, may we be re-energised by the encouraging mid-year assessment, that saw us celebrate our wins, big and small. No effort has been in vain, and your contributions as citizens of this ambitious nation have been invaluable.

To, I hope, many more wins.

**Her Excellency Mrs Jeannette Kagame**  
*First Lady of the Republic of Rwanda and  
Chairperson of Imbuto Foundation*

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In the past year, the Imbuto Foundation has driven significant initiatives to address Rwanda's socio-economic priorities, emphasising innovation and community support. Notably, in the aftermath of devastating floods in May 2023, the Foundation mobilised its staff and its resources to assist the Government of Rwanda's relief efforts establishing temporary Early Childhood Development Centres to safeguard young children in the most affected areas.

Imbuto Foundation also remains committed to sustaining the positive national developmental momentum of the post-COVID-19 period. Through our Baho Neza Mental Health safe spaces members are allowed to work through traumatic experiences, memories, and daily struggles, in a respectful and careful manner, that is conducive to community healing.

The Youth Empowerment division has seen substantial growth with the successful launch of the "Imali Agribusiness Challenge." This programme, in partnership with the Ministry of Agriculture and partners, empowers youth entrepreneurship in Agriculture, aligning with sustainable Agricultural practices. It provides mentorship, training, and financial support to the top 15 Agripreneurs.

The ArtRwanda – Ubuhanzi Second cohort has yielded outstanding results by identifying and nurturing creative youth in various creative industries. A total of 60 talented individuals are participating in a mentorship programme that develops both artistic and entrepreneurial skills.

The creation of the Kimironko Sports and Community Space, promoting sportsmanship and community engagement was made possible by The Foundation's fruitful partnerships with institutions like the Basketball Africa League (BAL) and the Rwandan Federation of Basketball (FERWABA).

Looking ahead to the upcoming fiscal year and the assessment of the 2018 – 2024 Strategic Plan, Imbuto Foundation remains dedicated to contributing to the transformation of Rwanda with innovative solutions tailored to our unique local context and needs.



The Foundation acknowledges the crucial role played by partners, stakeholders, and friends in attaining these goals and expresses its gratitude for their continuous support and collaboration. We look forward to engaging, educating and empowering more communities in an equitable and impactful manner.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sandrine Umutoni". The signature is fluid and cursive.

**Sandrine Umutoni**  
Director General

# FACES OF IMBUTO

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My journey with Imbuto Foundation started when I was still in secondary school, after being awarded for my exceptional performance in primary school final exams. Today, I am a successful journalist. Without the empowerment and guidance I received from Imbuto, I might have faced failure. The ongoing workshops and encouragement I received as a student motivated me to become an advocate through journalism. My wish for the Imbuto Foundation is for them to continue their invaluable contributions to the education sector in Rwanda.

**Aissa Cyiza**

Twige Neza Dutsinde Programme Beneficiary



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I had little hope for the future. However, engaging in discussions with professionals who shared profound and inspiring messages sparked a transformation within me. As I started appearing in public, those who know me have witnessed the positive changes that the Imbuto Foundation brought into my life. First Lady Mrs. Jeannette Kagame, the Chairperson of Imbuto Foundation, has a profound affection for all the youth. She assumes a motherly role, especially for orphaned youth, offering guidance and wisdom in her presence. I find it challenging to encapsulate the essence of Imbuto Foundation in one word, but I would describe it as a cornerstone in the development of Rwanda.

**Charles Habonimana**

Leadership and Active Citizenship Beneficiary



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Working with Imbuto Foundation has profoundly impacted me in three key ways: both personal and financial growth as well as fulfilling my aspirations to serve my country. My wishes for Imbuto are continued expansion and the provision of invaluable support to those in need. I also hope that its beneficiaries hold it close to their hearts. As we often say, 'Once Imbuto, Always Imbuto'.

**Ildephonse Hitimana**

Imbuto Foundation staff - Education Division



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We have witnessed the Imbuto Foundation's remarkable growth under the visionary leadership of Her Excellency, Madame Jeannette Kagame, the First Lady. They've evolved from implementing a few programmes to adopting a comprehensive, multi-layered approach to address the complex challenges facing Rwanda's youth and other underprivileged communities. When I think of the Imbuto Foundation and its work, the word 'inspiring' immediately comes to mind – Rwandans empowering Rwandans. Continue to serve as an inspiration not only to organisations, communities, and the people you support but also to your partners. Your steadfast leadership is paving the way for youth, not just in Rwanda but across the African continent.

**Liana Nzabampema**

Partner



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I have been a girls' educator in charge of discipline for over a decade now. This journey has made me a better educator in two significant ways. Firstly, the training provided enhanced my ability to address girls' difficulties, identify any academic challenges, and assist in improving their performance. Secondly, the Imbuto Foundation's support extended to providing school fees for brilliant students who come from disadvantaged families. To young girls who've received assistance from the Imbuto Foundation, I encourage them to remember the value of giving back to their community (Garuka Ushime). It doesn't always require expensive gifts, but a willingness to help others and show gratitude in meaningful ways.

**Sister Anne Marie Ayingabiye**  
Partner

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My journey with Imbuto Foundation started in 2018 when I joined the ArtRwanda - Ubuhanzi competition in the fashion category. Working alongside the Imbuto Foundation has not only provided me with valuable business development opportunities but also equipped me with essential training on operating efficiently and effectively. I am deeply grateful for the continuous support that has enabled me to expand my business.

**Toni Grace**  
Innovation and Entrepreneurship Beneficiary

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As the Deputy Director overseeing medical practices at a mental health facility, I extend my gratitude to the Imbuto Foundation and GAERG for launching an educational campaign about mental disorders and healthcare services. This initiative helps our patients and community members access the support they need and have information on where to get the support from. While it is a challenging journey, we are thankful for their efforts and remain committed to its continuation.



**Clementine Niyomwungeri**  
Partner

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When I think of Imbuto Foundation, the words that immediately come to mind are ‘Educate, Engage, and Empower.’ The foundation’s focus on these elements, educating through engaging discussions with youth and empowering them, is clear. The journey has been extensive, witnessing positive impacts. Looking ahead, over the next 20 years and beyond, I hope for continued progress and active involvement from the Imbuto Foundation in the development of Rwanda’s youth.



**Meilleur Murindabigwi**  
Leadership and Active Citizenship Beneficiary

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# OUR PORTFOLIO



# EDUCATION DIVISION



# EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY (ECD&F)



In 2013, Her Excellency Mrs Jeannette Kagame launched the ECD&F programme to support the holistic development of children aged 0 to 6. The goal of the programme is to ensure that all children achieve their full developmental milestones, while their families and communities are empowered with the right tools to nurture and protect them.

The ECD&F programme uses the following approaches:

- **ECD centres (3 to 6 years old)**
- **Home-based services (3 to 6 years old)**
- **Home visits (0 to 3 years old)**

In addition, parents receive training and support in Income Generating Activities (IGAs). Imbuto Foundation offers and delivers the integrated ECD services in all 30 districts.

## ECD&F Programme - Jacqueline Mukamugenzi

My name is **Jacqueline Mukamugenzi**, residing in Bweya village, Gatsibo district. November 2022 is when we learned about the Uburezi Iwacu project during a village meeting led by the sector supervisor. The aim was to enroll parents with children aged 3 to 9 in the project, to allow us and our children to benefit from various sessions, such as parenting tips, literacy, kitchen hygiene, balanced diet, and inclusivity for disabled children.

Given that our child, Gisèle Tumukunde, was 4 years old, my husband and I decided to join the "Twite ku mwana" - a Parents Peer Support network (PPSN) of our village. From the knowledge we gained in those sessions, we also established an Income Generating Activity (IGA) group, saving money to improve our economic situation. This positive change has significantly improved our lives and those of our children.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018 - 2023)

**144,170** CHILDREN AGED 0 TO 6 AND THEIR FAMILIES ENROLLED IN MODEL AND HOME BASED ECD&F CENTRES.

**124,971** PARENTS BENEFITED FROM PARENTING SESSIONS IN ECD & F CENTRES.

**36,959** CAREGIVERS (10,112 MALE and 26,847 FEMALE) TRAINED IN INTEGRATED ECD&F AND OFFERED RELEVANT SERVICES.

**5,767** ECD SPACES ESTABLISHED: 17 MODEL ECD CENTRES, 25 COMMUNITY BASED ECD CENTRES & 5,725 HOME BASED ECDS.

**942** TRAINERS (600 MALE AND 342 FEMALE) TRAINED IN THE INTEGRATED ECD PACKAGE ACROSS 30 DISTRICTS.

**2,281** CELL-LEVEL STAFF (1,102 MALE AND 1,179 FEMALE) TRAINED IN THE INTEGRATED ECD PACKAGE ACROSS 30 DISTRICTS.

# TWIGE NEZA DUTSINDE



This initiative aims to improve learning outcomes for students in basic education, through increasing access to remedial learning support services for under-performing students, supporting the education of brilliant but vulnerable students as well as empowering girls to excel in education. This initiative has been successful in meeting its programme objectives, with reports of students performing better academically, being more respectful of gender diversity, more enthusiastic about learning and developing strong group work skills. The initiative works with the families of its beneficiaries, whose support is essential in instilling positive values, such as politeness and respect in the classroom, cleanliness and punctuality.

## Twige Neza Dutsinde Programme - Nyabihu District

**Obed Twizerimana**, an 8-year-old with a physical handicap, is one of the beneficiaries of our remedial programme in Nyabihu District. Despite being 8 years old, he hadn't started school due to his physical impairment. His family initially hesitated to enroll him alongside other students due to his condition. After discussing the child's rights, we encouraged Obed's participation in school summer camps. His mother used to carry him to and from school since he didn't have a wheelchair. With the collaboration of the sector and support from Nyabihu District, Obed was provided a wheelchair in March 2023.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018 - 2023)

**46,816** CHILDREN (12,189 PRE-PRIMARY, 8,040 LOWER PRIMARY, 25,960 UPPER-PRIMARY STUDENTS AND 627 OUT-OF-SCHOOL CHILDREN) BENEFITING FROM EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMMES TO IMPROVE LEARNING.

**562** TEACHERS TRAINED AND MENTORED ON EFFECTIVE TEACHING. 251 REMEDIAL LEARNING CLUBS ESTABLISHED IN 251 SCHOOLS FROM 13 DISTRICTS.

**251** SCHOOL LEADERS TRAINED IN SCHOOL MANAGEMENT EFFECTIVENESS.

**3** PUBLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS BUILT IN GASABO, GICUMBI AND NYARUGENGE DISTRICTS

**6,681** YOUNG GIRLS AWARDED FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SINCE 2005.

**10,641** ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS PROVIDED TO SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS SINCE 2002.

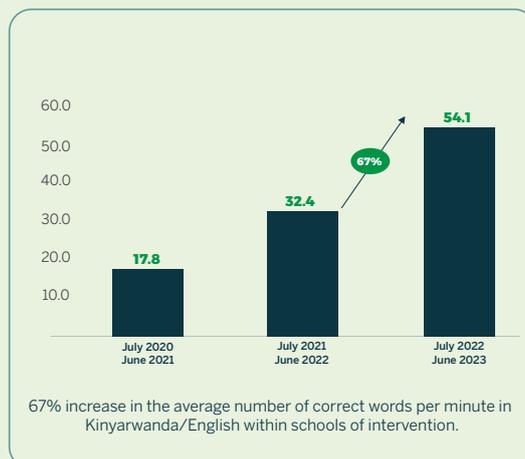
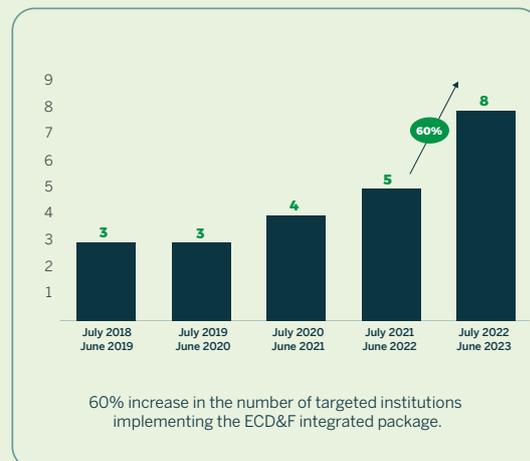
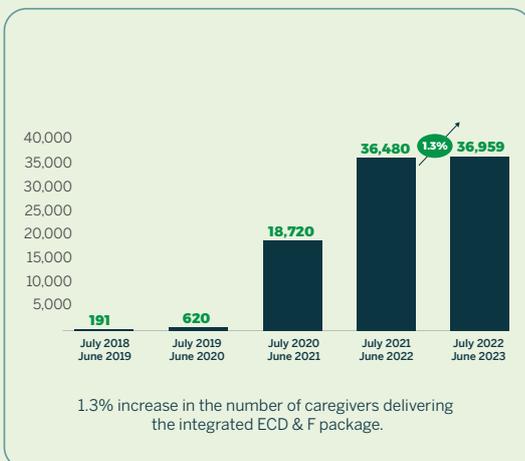
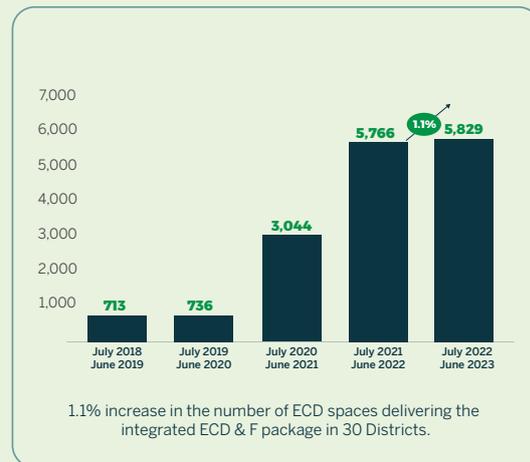
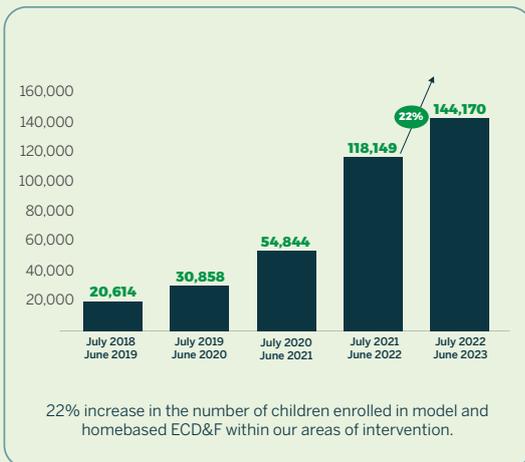
# EDUCATION DIVISION



During this fiscal year 2022-2023, our activities and efforts in the area of education aimed at achieving two overarching outcomes:

- Increased and equitable enrolment in quality ECD services.
- Improved learning outcomes for learners in basic education.

Through efforts aimed at ensuring equitable enrolment in quality ECD services, Imbuto Foundation has seen:



# HEALTH DIVISION



# ADOLESCENT YOUTH SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS (AYSRH&R) AND HIV



The AYSRH&R and HIV programme promotes positive behaviour among adolescents aged 10 to 24 years old. The programme targets adolescents both in and out of school, pairing schools and out of school clubs with youth organisations and health centres to provide youth-friendly services. The programme also trains peer educators to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS and teaches adolescents to reduce the risks of unplanned pregnancies.

## AYSRH&R and HIV Programme Beneficiary - Scholastique Maniragaba

My name is **Scholastique Maniragaba** and I am 22 years old. I became pregnant when I was 17 years old back in 2018, leading to my family's immediate rejection and eviction. Alone, I sought solace in the Imbuto Foundation's programme through FASACO. Following dialogues and discussions, my family and I reconciled, restoring harmony. These initiatives not only reunited us but also provided us with opportunities. The weekly transport allowances they gave us enabled me to save gradually, funding my sewing lessons, an advice from my father. I also purchased 2 pigs, aiming to establish a pig livestock business. With the invaluable support of Imbuto Foundation and UNFPA through FASACO, I acquired a sewing machine. This machine helped me in growing my clothing business, enabling me to financially support my child, parents, and siblings.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018 - 2023)

<b>482,950</b> YOUNG PEOPLE ACCESSED AYSRH&R SERVICES, INCLUDING HIV & STI SCREENING & TREATMENT.	WORKFORCE OF <b>65,775</b> HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS DELIVERING SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, FAMILY PLANNING, AND HIV PREVENTION SERVICES.	GBV MOBILE CLINICS IN BURERA, RUBAVU AND NYAGATARE DISTRICTS: <b>399</b> GBV CASES SUBMITTED TO RWANDA INVESTIGATION BUREAU AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE BUREAUS, <b>213</b> CASES REGISTERED FOR LEGAL SUPPORT AND <b>112</b> CHILDREN REGISTERED (BIRTH REGISTRATION).
<b>16,054</b> PEOPLE REACHED THROUGH PARENT-ADOLESCENT COMMUNICATION FORUMS: 9,774 PARENTS AND 6,280 ADOLESCENTS AND YOUTH.	<b>16,054</b> PEOPLE REACHED THROUGH PARENT-ADOLESCENT COMMUNICATION FORUMS: 9,774 PARENTS AND 6,280 ADOLESCENTS AND YOUTH.	<b>3,493</b> TEACHERS FROM BURERA, MUSANZE, KARONGI, NYAMASHEKE, RUSIZI, GISAGARA AND MUHANGA TRAINED ON COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION.
<b>755</b> HEALTH FACILITIES SUPPORTED THROUGH COMMUNITY BASED HEALTH INSURANCE (CBHI).	<b>9,932</b> TEEN MOTHERS BENEFITED FROM THE INTEGRATED PACKAGE OF TEEN MOTHERS	<b>200</b> TEEN MOTHERS SUPPORTED WITH MEDICAL INSURANCE.

# FAMILY PLANNING



The family planning programme aims at increasing contraceptive prevalence among families with unmet needs, by improving the quality, access and uptake of family planning services.

## Family Planning Programme Beneficiary - Alphonsine Uwase

My name is **Alphonsine Uwase** and I am from Karongi District. I got pregnant at 18 years, when I was in senior 4 of high school. Despite my efforts to conceal it, my parents discovered the truth and were not happy about it that they even mistreated me. My father's mistreatment ceased after I joined the Baho Neza group, suggested by a supportive CHW (community health worker) in my neighbourhood. Through this initiative, I learned to rebuild my life post-teenage pregnancy, restoring confidence and living a healthier lifestyle. Attending a PAC (Parent-Adolescent Communication) forum, accompanied by my parents, transformed our relationship. Thanks to Baho Neza, I have now mastered money-saving tips, started a successful bag knitting business and even taught other girls. I am immensely thankful to Imbuto Foundation for launching the life-changing Baho Neza project, which rejuvenated our family bonds and finances.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018 - 2023)

**2,016,137** PEOPLE REACHED THROUGH AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS ON FAMILY PLANNING.

**345,538** PEOPLE ACCESSED AND USED FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES (112,179 LONG-TERM AND 233,359 SHORT-TERM METHODS).

**237** TV AND RADIO TALK SHOWS, 17 TV DRAMA SERIES, 12 RADIO DRAMA SERIES AIRED ON DIFFERENT MEDIA HOUSES, TO RAISE AWARENESS ON FAMILY PLANNING, SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH.

**100** PRIMARY HEALTHCARE FACILITIES BUILT AND RENOVATED IN NYAGATARE, GISAGARA, GICUMBI, MUHANGA, RUSIZI, KICUKIRO AND NYARUGURU DISTRICTS.

**20** AMBULANCES, 2 MOBILE CLINICS AND 2 BLOOD COLLECTION BUSES PURCHASED AND DISTRIBUTED TO HEALTH CARE FACILITIES.

# NON - COMMUNICABLE DISEASES



The Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) programme aims to improve knowledge, attitudes and practices among Rwandans, to decrease the burden of NCDs and mental health issues.

## Non - Communicable Diseases Beneficiary - Nyaruguru District

My name is M.G. and I am 39 years old. My marital conflicts began in August 2008, shortly after our wedding. We endured 15 tumultuous years together and constant disagreement but persevered due to our five children. My excessive alcohol and substance use fueled our disputes, and that earned me a reputation as a troublemaker in the community.

Introduced by local CBCs (Abahumurizamutima), I joined the Baho Neza project, intrigued by its potential. Through the Umbrella exercise, I learned to positively transform my behaviour. I learnt how to manage my anger better, ceased family disputes, and abandoned substance abuse. Now, my wife and I live harmoniously, supporting our family. With plans to launch a small business, I am optimistic about our future. I am profoundly thankful to the Imbuto Foundation and Baho Neza for guiding me out of darkness and restoring my life.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018 - 2023)

<b>3</b> MENTAL HEALTH MODULES FOR CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED.	<b>106</b> MASTER TRAINERS FROM 4 CBOs, 6 DISTRICT HOSPITALS, 27 HEALTH CENTRES, 3 NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTRES AND IMBUTO FOUNDATION WERE EQUIPPED WITH KNOWLEDGE ON MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS AND SKILLS ON HOW TO FACILITATE SAFE SPACES IN THE COMMUNITY.
<b>102,364</b> PEOPLE WERE REACHED DURING AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS ON MENTAL WELLBEING AND MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES.	<b>720</b> PEOPLE REACHED THROUGH 5 ONLINE CONFERENCES ON MENTAL HEALTH.
<b>294</b> PEOPLE REACHED OUT WITH QUESTIONS ON MENTAL HEALTH DURING RADIO AND TV TALK SHOWS THAT WERE CONDUCTED IN DIFFERENT COMMUNITY RADIOS AND TVS.	<b>1,275</b> COMMUNITY-BASED COUNSELLORS TRAINED ON HOW TO LEAD HEALING GROUPS.
<b>80</b> SCHOOL BASED COUNSELLORS IN 40 SCHOOLS IDENTIFIED AND TRAINED.	<b>15,772</b> PEOPLE ATTENDED MENTAL HEALTH SESSIONS ON A WEEKLY BASIS IN 683 COMMUNITY-BASED SAFE SPACES AND 80 SCHOOL-BASED SAFE SPACES.
<b>356</b> INDIVIDUALS FROM THE COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL SAFE SPACES WERE REFERRED TO HEALTH CENTRES FOR MENTAL HEALTH SPECIALISED SERVICES.	<b>161</b> PSYCHOLOGISTS AND MENTAL HEALTH NURSES EQUIPPED WITH KNOWLEDGE IN MENTAL HEALTH AND SKILLS TO SUPPORT GBV VICTIMS.
<b>101</b> INDIVIDUALS WERE REFERRED TO DISTRICT HOSPITALS FOR SPECIALISED SERVICES.	<b>12,657</b> PEOPLE RECEIVED GBV AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN 6 DISTRICTS HOSPITALS AND 27 HEALTH CENTRES.

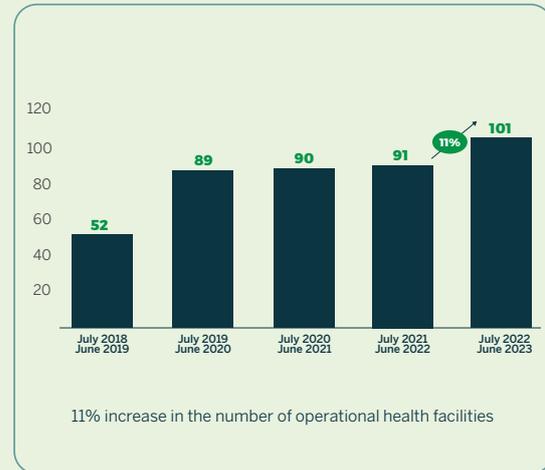
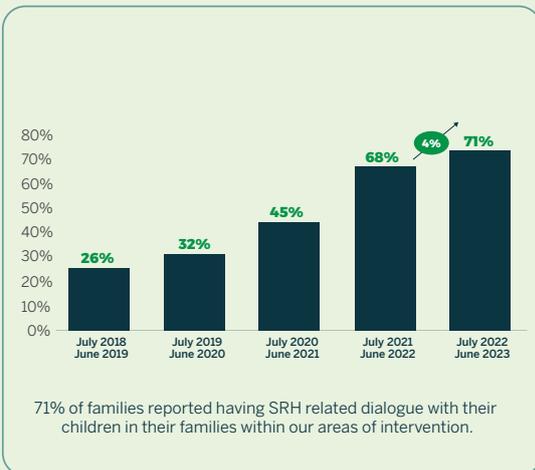
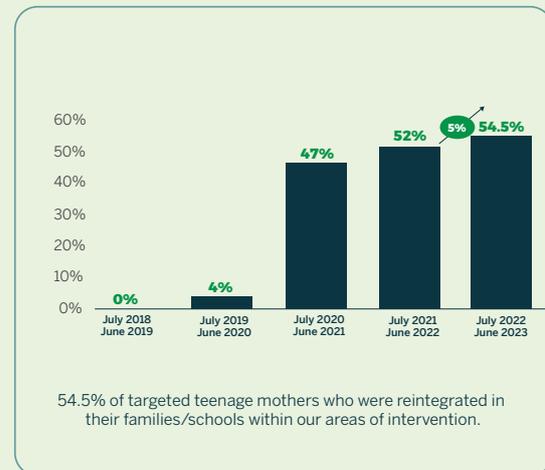
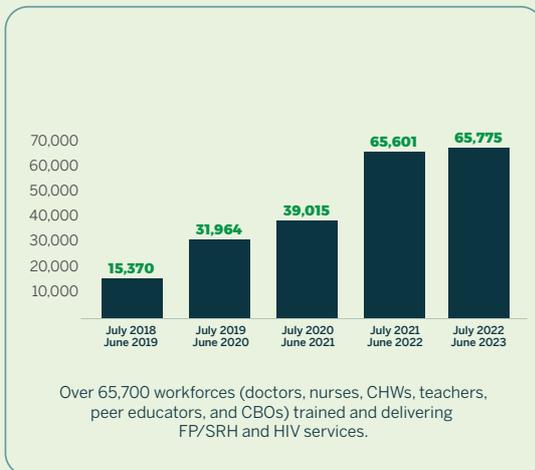
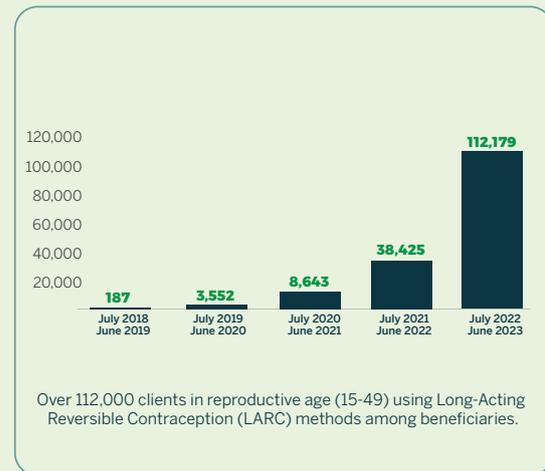
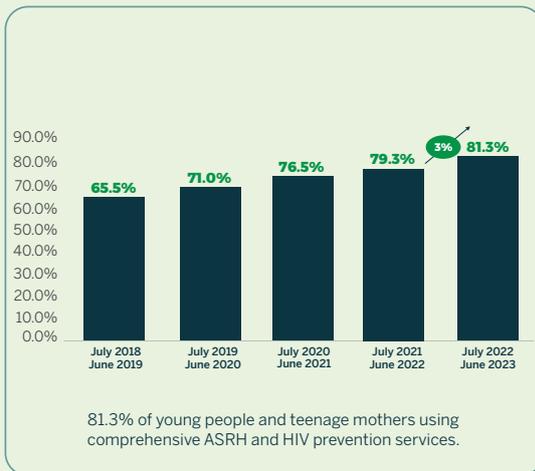
# HEALTH DIVISION



During this fiscal year 2022-2023, our health programmes aimed at achieving three major outcomes:

- **Increased knowledge, information and willpower to make timely, informed, positive and safe health choices.**

This has resulted in:



# YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIVISION



# YOUTH LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP



The Youth Leadership and Active Citizenship programme aims at providing youth, of different socio-economic backgrounds, with the support and platforms to participate in leadership initiatives and be active members of the Rwandan society. Through youth forums and training, the youth is encouraged to discuss and identify common solutions, while at the same time, being oriented towards personal development.

## Youth Leadership & Active Citizenship Programme Beneficiary

During Igihango cy'Urungano youth forum, MM, shared a personal experience about how he grew up in a single-parent household with four siblings, believing his father had passed away when he was young. He was unaware of his father's whereabouts until later, around the fifth grade, when he discovered that his father was involved in activities affecting the country's security, hiding in a neighbouring country. This revelation instilled fear in him, causing him to hesitate to attend school, concerned about potential differential treatment due to his father's opposition. He considers himself lucky for not being treated differently due to his father's opposition to the Government. He expressed his gratitude to the Government and also encouraged his fellow youth to strive for unity.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018 - 2023)

**921,784** YOUTH EMPOWERED THROUGH 74 YOUTH FORUMS ON TOPICS INCLUDING LEADERSHIP, PATRIOTISM, CIVIC RESPONSIBILITIES, VOLUNTEERISM, FINANCIAL FITNESS, CAREER GUIDANCE, PUBLIC SPEAKING, MENTAL HEALTH, AND SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH.

**56** YOUNG WOMEN AND MEN AWARDED FOR THEIR EXCEPTIONAL ACTIVITIES UNDER THE YOUTH CONNEKT CHAMPIONS AND CYRWA AWARDS.

THROUGH THE SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR CHANGE COMMUNICATION PROJECT, 12 TV TALK SHOWS AND 12 RADIO TALK SHOWS DEVELOPED AND AIRED ON VARIOUS MEDIA HOUSES, TO RAISE AWARENESS ON MENTAL HEALTH.

# ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND INNOVATION



The Entrepreneurship and Innovation programme aims at promoting job creation, creativity and entrepreneurial spirit among the youth. Through initiatives such as ArtRwandaUbuhanzi and Innovation Accelerator, the programme provides mentorship, training and financial support to young entrepreneurs and innovators, especially those seeking to provide solutions in response to challenges related to sexual reproductive health, comprehensive sexuality education, family planning, and maternal health, among others.

## Entrepreneurship and Innovation Beneficiary - Diane Ishimwe

I used to envision a future where my dreams came true, and the reality I now experience even exceeds my expectations. The proudest moment of my life arrived when I was named the country's top artist by ArtRwanda-Ubuhanzi. This marked the beginning of my dream turning into reality. Through a transformative 1-week boot camp, I gained insights into business, learned to solidify my unique artistic identity among fellow creatives, and realised that hard work and passion can shape an extraordinary self. Looking ahead, I picture myself managing my art gallery, mentoring young artists, and living the life I have always aspired to, surrounded by like-minded individuals.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018 - 2023)

**138** YOUNG ARTISTS BENEFITTING FROM THE ARTRWANDA-UBUHANZI INCUBATION PROGRAMME.

MORE THAN **39** BUSINESS/COMPANIES CURRENTLY OPERATED BY GRADUATES OF THE 1ST ARTRWANDA - UBUHANZI COHORT.

OVER **150** MILLION (**OVER USD 12,000**) GENERATED BY ARTRWANDA - UBUHANZI SELLING POINT.

**719** JOBS CREATED BY COMPANIES OF ARTRWANDA - UBUHANZI ARTISTS.

**19** BEST INNOVATIVE SOLUTION PROJECTS AWARDED WITH USD 190,000 (USD 10,000 PER PROJECT), AND SIX MONTHS OF ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND MENTORSHIP SERVICES.

**133** YOUNG INNOVATORS TRAINED ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND BUSINESS SKILLS.

# AGRICULTURE



The Agriculture programme aims at improving the lives of women and youth from disadvantaged families through income-generating activities. Programme recipients are grouped into cooperatives where they are taught how to generate an income from horticulture, as well as manage cooperatives. In addition, they receive start-up funds for agricultural activities inputs.

## Agriculture Programme Beneficiary - Vines Ltd

'Vynes,' a local wine brand, has emerged as a winner in the Imali Agribusiness Challenge. Through regular collaboration with farmers in Kamonyi District, Vynes not only ensures a stable market for these farmers but also crafts high-quality wines using bananas, pineapples, and other locally sourced fruits.

The journey began with Cyiza Steve, co-founder of Vynes, who learned winemaking from his father from a young age. With guidance from his experienced father and a professional winemaker, Cyiza established his own company, transforming his passion into a profitable business.

Later, Cyiza joined forces with Faustine Niyomubyeyi, co-founder and skilled food scientist, to create non-alcoholic red wine. Their shared vision involved adding value to locally grown fruits, addressing concerns about excessive wine imports in the Rwandan Wine Industry.

Today, Vynes stands out in Rwanda as one of the pioneering brands offering Premium White Wines crafted from non-grape fruits. Recently, they participated in the Imali Agribusiness Challenge, and won seed funding worth \$10,000.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018 - 2023)

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MINAGRI AND FRIENDS OF IMBUTO, 'IMALI AGRIBUSINESS CHALLENGE' INITIATED TO ATTRACT YOUTH-LED IMPACTFUL SOLUTIONS IN AGRICULTURE.

**15** BEST INNOVATIVE AGRIBUSINESS SOLUTIONS HAVE BEEN AWARDED **USD 124,000** (USD 8,000 PER PROJECT).

**7,263,390 RWF (OVER USD 6,000)** GENERATED FROM DIRECT SALES AT THE 16th NATIONAL AGRI-SHOW.

**37** COOPERATIVES BENEFITING FROM OUR PROGRAMME CONNECTED TO MARKETS.

**3,410** FARMERS, **2,890** WOMEN AND **520** MEN FROM **37** COOPERATIVES DIRECTLY BENEFITED FROM AGRICULTURE INTERVENTIONS IN **16** DISTRICTS: HUYE, NYARUGURU, RUHANGO, MUHANGA, KAMONYI, BUGESERA, RWAMAGANA, NYAGATARE, KIREHE, NGOMA, KAYONZA, MUSANZE, GICUMBI, RUBAVU, GASABO, AND KICUKIRO.

**335,306 KGS** OF FOOD PRODUCTS.

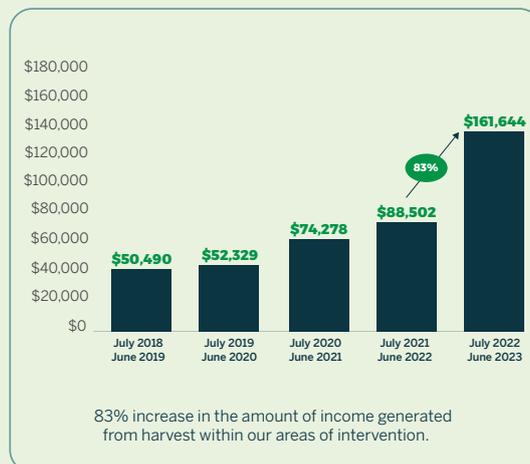
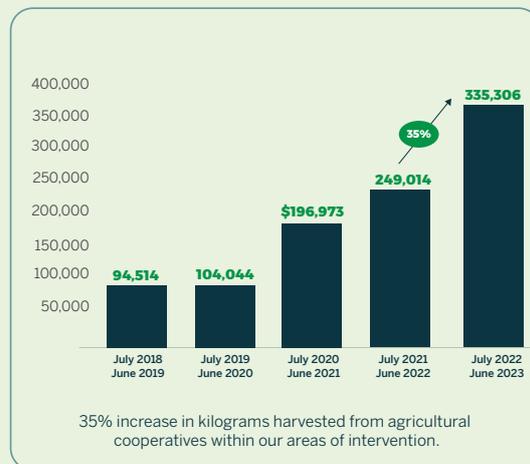
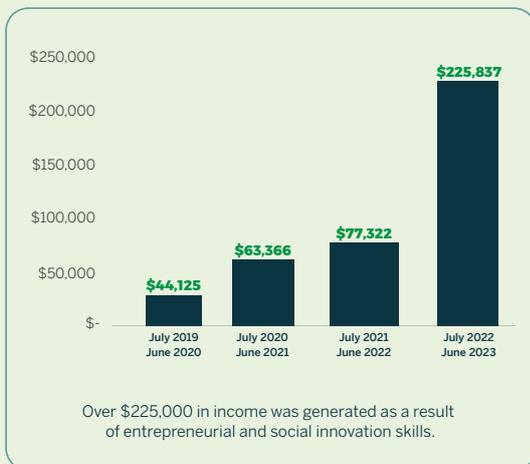
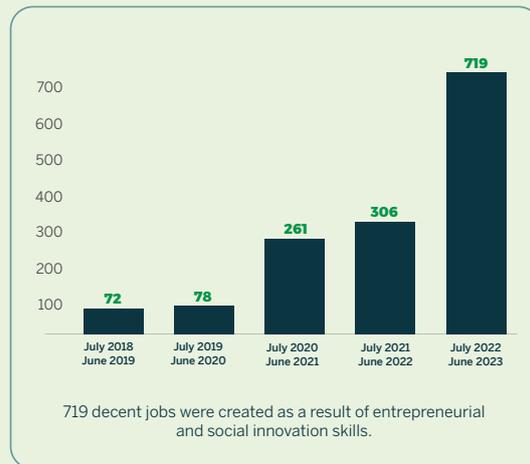
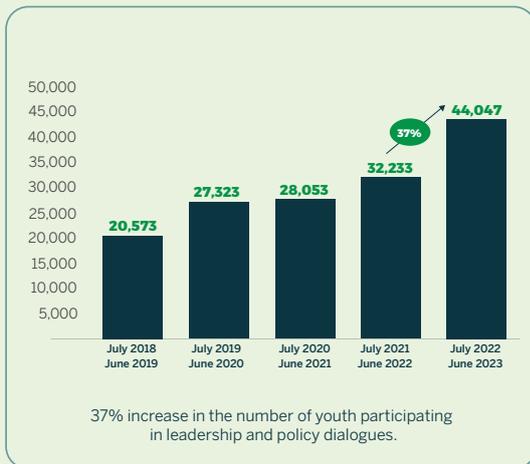
**163,260,000 RWF (USD 135,000)** GENERATED FROM SELLING FOOD PRODUCTS.

# YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIVISION



During this fiscal year 2022-2023, our targeted programmes under Youth Empowerment aimed at achieving the three following key outcomes:

- **Enhanced youth leadership, participation and engagement in national development.**
- **Improved entrepreneurial and social innovation skills among participating beneficiaries.**
- **Increased agriculture and livestock quality, productivity and production**



# FINANCIALS



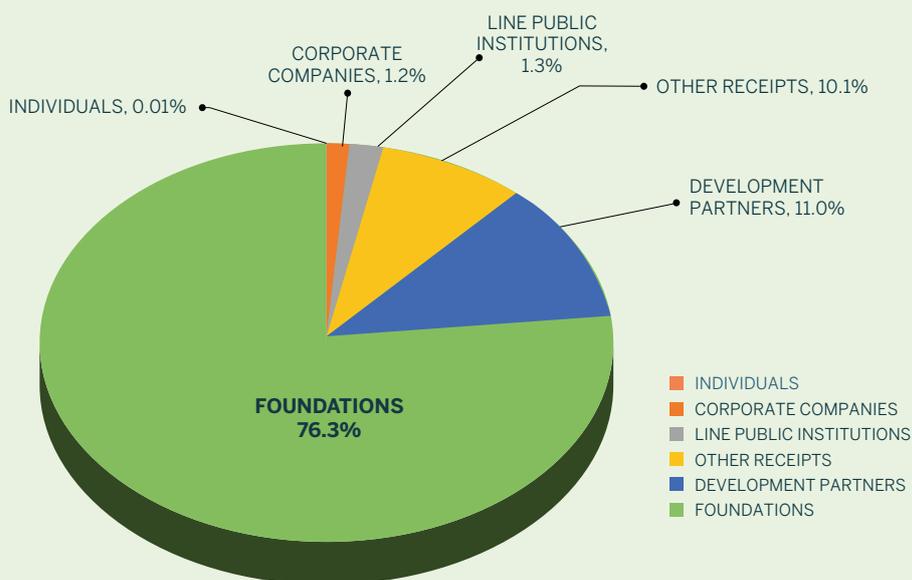
# FINANCIAL REPORT

## JULY 2022 - JUNE 2023



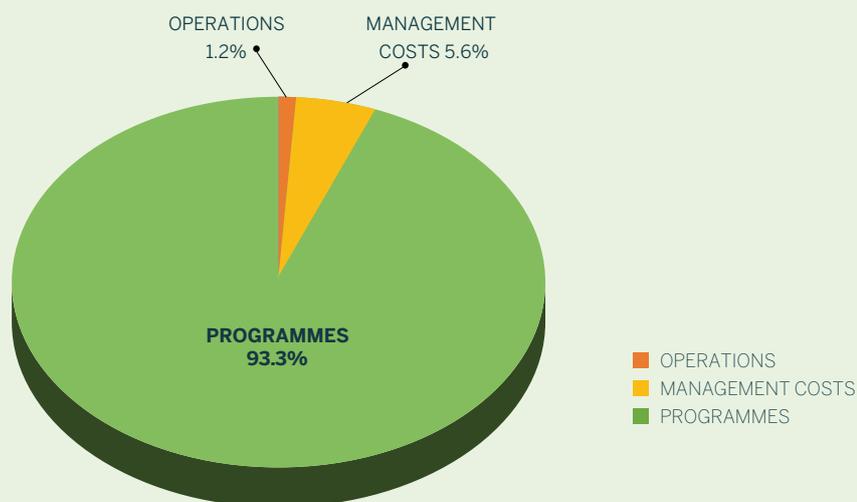
### INCOME

Total Income: Rwf 20,913,325,315 (USD 17,958,220)



### EXPENDITURE

Total Expenditure: Rwf 26,186,055,049 (USD 22,485,899)



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20 years of APF and 25 years of FFRP Anniversary Celebration | Kigali, 8 July 2022



UGHE Master of Global Health Delivery Class of 2022 Commencement | Butaro, 28 August 2022



EZA - Urugwiro ECD centre inauguration and 1st cohort graduation | Kigali, 1 September 2022



African Philanthropy Forum | Kigali, 24 October 2022



Unity Club 15th Annual Forum | Kigali, 12 November 2022



Youth Forum and #iAccelerator Phase 5 Grand Finale | Kigali, 19 December 2022



Car Free Day | Kigali, 22 January 2023



Imbuto Foundation General Assembly Meeting | Kigali, 17 February 2023



Fashion Brunch with designers | Kigali, 15 March 2023



Kwibuka 29 | Kigali, 07 April 2023



Unveiling of Kimironko Sports and Community Centre | Kigali, 27 May 2023



Visit of the Family House at Bel Eau | Seychelles, 28 June 2023



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