



IMBUTO FOUNDATION A T - A - G L A N C E

JULY 2022 / JUNE 2023

## MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRPERSON



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 our international and local partners, involved in making Imbuto Foundation a symbol of hope and progress, empowering countless individuals through various programmes and initiatives. The Foundation has, since its inception, worked tirelessly to improve the lives of Rwandans, particularly youth and vulnerable groups, by joining 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 towards Sustainable Development Goals by 2030 and our journey to transforming the lives of Rwandans.

For Imbuto Foundation, this has at times meant intervening beyond our usual programmatic engagements in order to join the Country 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 handled the disaster relief efforts.

However, this spirit of solidarity was not only limited to times of adversity. The past year saw a plethora of celebration-worthy moments. The FIFA Congress, for one, 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 dubbed "Imali" (meaning wealth in Kinyarwanda), rewarded a new cohort of innovative young entrepreneurs, organised youth fora, mental health campaigns, and yes, pursued all our other mandates with very encouraging results.

As we rise, we are confronted with challenges too. Challenges that compel us to dive deep and address the heavy question that is too often avoided in public discourse - the question of mental health. Indeed, while the stigma surrounding mental health persists and grows, we continue to bury our heads in the sand, in the face of an issue whose gravity impacts us all, directly or indirectly. We must now take the bull by the horns and ask the tough questions; we must take accountability where needed; we must build systems that cater to all facets of our citizens' health. The ongoing nationwide campaign encouraging our youth to drink responsibly, #TunyweLess, is complementary to our efforts to support mental health awareness, and we are optimistic that it will shed light on the potent dangers of substance abuse.

As we engage in the new fiscal year, may we be reenergized by the encouraging mid-year assessment that has seen us celebrate so many wins, both big and small. No effort has been in vain, and your contributions as citizens of this ambitious Nation have been invaluable.

For this and more, I say Thank you.

I raise a toast to what, I hope, will be many more wins!

#### Her Excellency Mrs Jeannette Kagame

First Lady of the Republic of Rwanda Chairperson of Imbuto Foundation

#### **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.

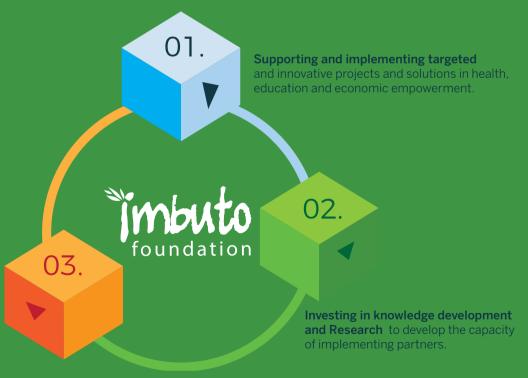
# **OUR STRATEGIC DIRECTION**

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.



Building and catalysing effective collaborations to drive resources towards scaling shared innovative solutions

# **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

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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, multilayered 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



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







# **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.

## SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018-2023)

144,170 CHILDREN AGED O TO 6 AND THEIR FAMILIES ENROLLED IN MODEL AND HOMEBASED ECD&F CENTRES.

**36,480** CAREGIVERS (10,107 MALE and 26,373 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.

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

**42,073** CHILDREN (12,189 PRE-PRIMARY AND 25,880 UPPER-PRIMARY STUDENTS) BENEFITING FROM EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMMES TO IMPROVE LEARNING

562 TEACHERS TRAINED AND MENTORED ON EFFECTIVE TEACHING. 251 (FROM 230) REMEDIAL LEARNING CLUBS ESTABLISHED IN 251 SCHOOLS FROM 13 DISTRICTS.

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

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





# **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.

## **SNAPSHOT OF ACHIEVEMENTS (2018-2023)**

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

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.

15,772 PEOPLE ATTENDED MENTAL HEALTH SESSIONS ON A WEEKLY BASIS IN 683 COMMUNITY-BASED SAFE SPACES AND 80 SCHOOL-BASED SAFE SPACES.

102,364 PEOPLE WERE REACHED DURING AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS ON MENTAL WELLBEING AND MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES.

**482,950** YOUNG PEOPLE ACCESSED AYSRH&R SERVICES, INCLUDING HIV & STI SCREENING & TREATMENT.

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

90 PRIMARY HEALTHCARE FACILITIES BUILT IN NYAGATARE, GISAGARA & GICUMBI DISTRICTS: 87 HEALTH POSTS AND 3 HEALTH CENTRES.

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

**30** SCHOOL BASED COUNSELLORS IN 40 SCHOOLS IDENTIFIED AND TRAINED.

755 HEALTH FACILITIES SUPPORTED THROUGH COMMUNITY BASED HEALTH INSURANCE (CBHI).

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

12,657 PEOPLE RECEIVED GBV AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN 6 DISTRICTS HOSPITALS AND 27 HEALTH CENTRES.

161 PSYCHOLOGISTS AND MENTAL HEALTH NURSES EQUIPPED WITH KNOWLEDGE IN MENTAL HEALTH AND SKILLS TO SUPPORT GBV VICTIMS.





## **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.

## **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

133 YOUNG INNOVATORS
TRAINED ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP
AND BUSINESS SKILLS.

15 BEST INNOVATIVE AGRIBUSINESS SOLUTION PROJECTS HAVE BEEN AWARDED 150 MILLION RWF (10 MILLION RWF PER PROJECT)

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 KICHKIPO

**7,263,390 RWF** OF INCOME GENERATED FROM DIRECT SALES THE 16TH NATIONAL AGRI-SHOW ATTENDED BY EIGHT WINNING PROJECTS

719 JOBS CREATED BY COMPANIES OF ARTRWANDA UBUHANZI ARTISTS

OVER **150** MILLION RWF GENERATED BY ARTRWANDA - UBUHANZI ARTISTS.

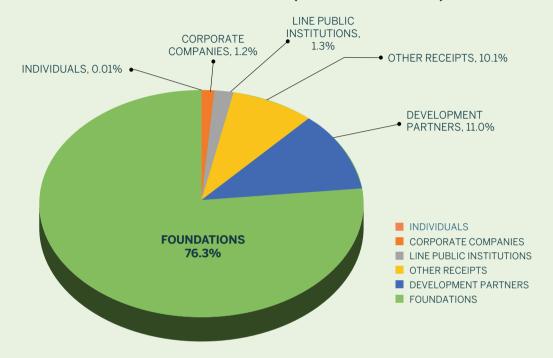
138 YOUNG ARTISTS BENEFITTING FROM THE ARTRWANDA-UBUHANZI INCUBATION PROGRAMME.

TOTAL HARVEST OF **335,306 KGS**, sold for **163,260,000 RWF**.

# 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)



# **OUR PARTNERS**





































































































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