

Grace Community Hospital Venture Plan Overview

[Rwenzori Center for Research and Advocacy](#) is a non-profit organization founded in 2010 with the mission to support vulnerable children and families in Kasese district primarily through health interventions such as reproductive maternal, neonatal and child health, family planning, nutrition, malaria prevention, HIV/AIDS awareness, care and support to persons infected and affected. RCRA proposes the construction of a not-for-profit community hospital in Kasese, Western Uganda aimed at benefitting vulnerable women, children and adolescents, Infants and Migrants across the Rwenzori region.

The rationale is to sustain and scale-up high impact, high quality and low-cost health services across the region in line with our vision of; ‘[Rebuilding our community through quality healthcare and education, thereby securing a more promising future.](#)’ The hospital will be designed with a clinical focus on maternal and pediatric care, alongside a capacity for urgent care with easy and equal access for all in outpatient department.

The high number of maternal deaths annually in Uganda account for 2% of the annual maternal deaths globally. Furthermore, almost 28% of maternal deaths in Uganda occur in young women aged 15-24 years. Considering the three leading causes for maternal deaths (hemorrhage, obstructed labor, complications from stillbirth) are preventable, the available and accessible public Health Centre IIs are characterized with very limited capacity to serve the large population. Patients have to travel longer distance to Fort portal referral hospital and Mulago in Kampala for better health care the RCRA sees the urgent need to address the health situation of mothers and children. In order to achieve this a not-for-profit hospital will offer services to those in need.

This hospital has been designed to target sustainable development goal 3: Reducing Maternity Rate, lower Newborn and Child Mortality Rate, Eliminate Epidemic. Sections of the community hospital will include Outpatient department, maternity ward, paediatric and emergency wards, diagnostics laboratories, clinical research services as well as Early childhood care, community outreaches, administration and procurement departments. Additionally, a range of medical, nursing, diagnostic, administrative and support staff will be employed in order to ensure the smooth operation of the hospital.

Capital investment required		UGX	GBP
	Land purchase, landscaping and boundary wall	399,526,850	84,484
	Four-story hospital building, comprising maternity and children’s wards; general outpatients department; laboratories; theatre; emergency and research unit; private rooms; and administration offices	2,904,073,150	614,099

Equipment and fittings	3,900,000,000	824,699
Separate staff accommodation block	1,350,987,715	285,681
Mortuary building	117,600,963	24,868
All architecture and structural consultancy fees, supervision of works	2,303,600,000	487,122
Total Expenses	10,975,788,678	2,320,953

Donations and partnerships are now being sought to support both the building and operation of the hospital. Once built, the hospital will also be funded through affordable patient medical fees, private room fees, lab fees, sales of medicines and community nutrition products, payments from Ministry of Health Primary Health Care Results based financing indicators plan, Medical student placement fees). We would be very grateful for your support.

