



**RAISING
THE VILLAGE**



Ready-To-Eat Initiative
PROJECT RESULTS

THE NEED

The global pandemic disproportionately impacted the most vulnerable communities.

In last-mile rural villages in Uganda, communities were facing:

- **Rapid depletion of household savings**
- **Rising food insecurity**
- **Unexpected income loss**
- **Loss of productive assets**

OUR RESPONSE

Leveraging the our existing operations and utilizing our replicable program model, Raising The Village (RTV) quickly mobilized to roll out our food security initiative with Ready-To-Eat (RTE) garden boxes.

Phase I of the project was launched in 2020 in last-mile rural communities in Uganda. After the success of Phase I, we launched RTE Phase II.



RTE garden boxes provided a sustainable food supply for a family of 5 with at least 1 nutritious meal per day over 12 months. Each kit consisted of a variety of 150 vegetable seedlings designed to maximize a 5×5 metre garden, or fill existing household items such as jerry cans or old sacks. Crops were ready to harvest within 3-4 weeks post distribution.





Thanks to our team, the local governments, and our funders, RTV has successfully completed all the distribution and transplanting of seedlings to beneficiary home gardens.



1,220,000+ community members in last-mile villages supported during the COVID-19 crisis.

246,000+ partner households provided with a nutritious meal per day for each family member for at least 12 months.

Rapid roll-out and crisis response in existing and new districts, reaching **10 districts** in Southwest, East, and North Uganda.

Established **strong partnerships** between local governments and RTV in new regions.

Provided **training** on basic agriculture, organic farming and seed multiplication practices.

Prevented the loss of income & productive assets and provided an additional source of income for partner families.

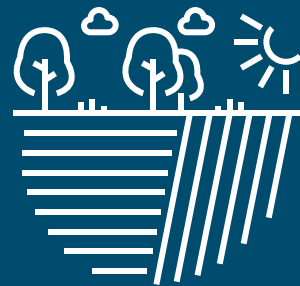
REACH

RTE Phase I

2020

RTE Phase II

2021



of
Districts

3

districts in Southwest Uganda:
Kanugu, Rukungiri, Mitooma.

8

districts in Southwest, East and North
Uganda : Abim, Kagadi, Kaliro,
Kibaale, Kyenjojo, Luuka, Mitooma,
Rubanda.



Households
reached

46,000

201,556



Community
members
supported

220,000

1,007,780

OUTPUTS

RTE Phase I 2020

RTE Phase II 2021



Training
sessions
conducted

132

509



Training
guides
distributed

35,568

242,300

OUTPUTS

RTE Phase I

2020

RTE Phase II

2021



Seed
variety/garden
box

12

15



Average # of
seedlings/house
hold

155

161



Total # of tins
and sachets
of seeds
distributed

6,188

35,000

OUTPUTS

RTE Phase I 2020

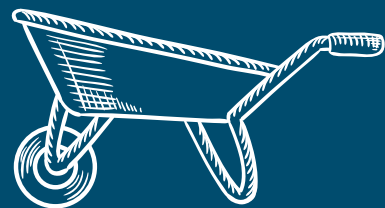
RTE Phase II 2021



Nursery beds
established &
harvested

48

212



Tons of organic
manure
distributed

360

1,660



of tools
distributed

912

9,684

OUTCOMES

RTE Phase I 2020

RTE Phase II 2021



Households with
established
vegetable
gardens

96%

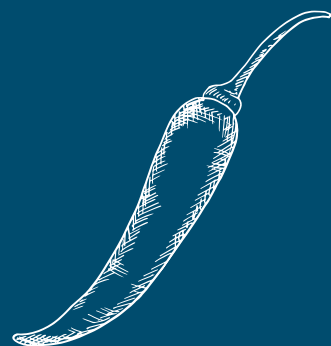
99%



Households
gardens
harvested & used
for food supply

96%

98%



Households
transitioned into
organic pesticides

N/A

80%

GALLERY





Irene with her blooming white eggplants



A community member receiving seedlings



Community members registering their names during seedling distribution



RTV staff monitoring and providing extension services to Enid



Enid harvesting vegetables from her garden



A happy harvest day for Agnes



Community member during seed distribution



Seedling transplanting in Nyakashema Parish



A family with the vegetables they harvested in their garden



LAWRENCE' S STORY

"I can now invest the money I would have used in buying vegetables to buy other things like posho and investing in my children's education."

Like many in his village, Lawrence's livelihood deteriorated following the market disruptions brought on by the lockdown measures in the wake of the pandemic.

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GLADYS' STORY

"There are nutritious vegetables I have never grown in my own garden but now I have them."

Gladys is among the women farmers in Eastern Africa who make up half of the farming workforce in the region. The pandemic has further intensified the pressure on farmer women and their families facing dire food insecurity and loss of income.

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