

A woman wearing a vibrant red and black patterned dress and a teal headscarf is bent over, pouring water from a yellow plastic jerrycan into a dark, textured clay pot on the ground. The scene is set in a rural village with traditional mud-brick buildings and thatched roofs. In the background, a man sits on the ground, a dog is visible, and a child sits on the dirt. The overall atmosphere is one of daily life in a rural community.

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Your Impact: Gene & Georgetti



THANK YOU

1,655 PEOPLE NOW HAVE WATER ACCESS

Project: Apai Community - Well Rehabilitation

Location: Apai Village, Swagere Parish, Ochero Sub County, Kaberamaido District, Uganda

Water Users: 1,655 people - 935 women and 720 men

Photo: Happy water users at Apai Community borehole!

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Ugandan Districts

Kaberamaido and Kalaki



Before Rehabilitation

Apai Community borehole was drilled in 2008 by the local government. With over 1,600 water users, the borehole structures were worn out and eroded. Like most boreholes in the region, this one was also missing a fence. Without a fence, animals could freely access the water, making it difficult to maintain cleanliness in the surrounding area.



Alternative Source

When broken, water users were forced to walk nearly 3 kilometers to Apai Primary School. This borehole also faces a lot of challenges, meaning it is not always functional. When both Apai Community and Apai Primary School boreholes were nonfunctional, water users were forced to consume water directly from the lake.





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Apai Village is my home. In Apai Village, we only have 2 boreholes, this one and the other school borehole. Both have challenges. Our well breaks down almost every week. This affects our lives so much and everything is delayed as much time is spent searching for water. It gets worse when the school borehole also breaks down as we are forced to go to the lake.

- Ijang Dorcus, water user,
pumping in photo

Community Led Solutions

We believe locals should not be the beneficiaries of aid, but the owners of transformation. We create strong grassroots partnerships with the community to ensure our solutions are targeted, effective and long-lasting. It is through strengthening the capacity of the local community to plan and own solutions we help implement that we raise the voices of others.





Meet John Peter, Chief Water Engineer

Our solutions enhance the local economy by hiring locals to build our solutions. This also ensures that the knowledge and skills to operate and fix our boreholes stays within the community.



During Rehabilitation



The Rehabilitated Well

Apai Community borehole is now fully functioning and brings clean, safe water to the community. The water users now have access to improved health, hygiene, and sanitation.



After Rehabilitation Monitoring & Evaluation



All water sources are tested for contamination before and after construction. Tests will be conducted by our local team for 2 years post-intervention to ensure that the borehole is properly maintained. To strengthen community capacity for borehole management, the water user committee (8-10 people, encouraged to be more than 50% women as they are the ones that carry the burden of water collection) is trained on borehole maintenance and ensuring proper sanitation and hygiene practices at the water point. This committee decides on a community-wide fee for using the borehole that can be used for future maintenance.

Naume, Project Manager, testing another borehole



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We used to walk long distances in search for water at the lake, which is never safe. Gene and Georgetti Team, we are grateful to you for easing water access for us. This well will help us and we shall now spend less time fetching water. We will now have time to care for our families, garden works and our businesses. Water is now just a two minute walk from my home.

- Mary Akullo, water user, holding a basin of flowing water



With the rehabilitation of our well, we are now addressing the issues of sanitation and hygiene both at our water source and homes. Thank you for this opportunity.

- Ms. Immaculate Ijang, in white t-shirt



Signed & Stamped with Love...

On behalf of our local
implementing partner, POPOW,
and Apai Community, we thank
you for your generosity.



Apai Community Borehole,
Apai Village,
Swagere parish
Ochero Sub-County
Kaberamaido (U)
1st Dec 2022.

Dear Gene & Georgetti Teams;

RE: Appreciation

On behalf of the Apai Community and
the chairperson local council one (LC1) would
like to thank Gene & Georgetti Team.

For a long period of time, we faced

Many challenges as noted below.

- High population: we had over 1655 people which
Made it difficult to maintain
- Poor water coverage: we are surrounded
by water logged areas with few boreholes.
- Resource gaps: here comes when the
government does not have enough fund to
facilitate the rehabilitation of the new
boreholes

We thanked the teams mentioned above
for supporting us with the above challenges

Its benefits to the Community are as follow

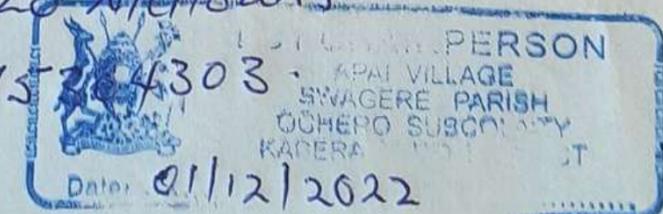
- having good sheltered borehole
- having clean drinking water.

Thanks

Yours in service
[Signature]

OKELLO NICHOLAS

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THANK YOU



This plaque mounted on the well celebrates your love and generosity.



*1,655 people
now have access
to safe water*



*It means a chance
for a better
future!*



*This means improved
education,
health,
well-being...*





And these smiles celebrates the community's joy!

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Apai Community Borehole was re...
Prince of Peace Orphans and Widows
and Apai Village Commu...
In partnership with Surge for...
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About Surge

The Issue

One million people die each year from water, sanitation, and hygiene related illnesses.



2.2 billion lack safe water



4.2 billion lack proper sanitation services



3 billion lack basic handwashing facilities

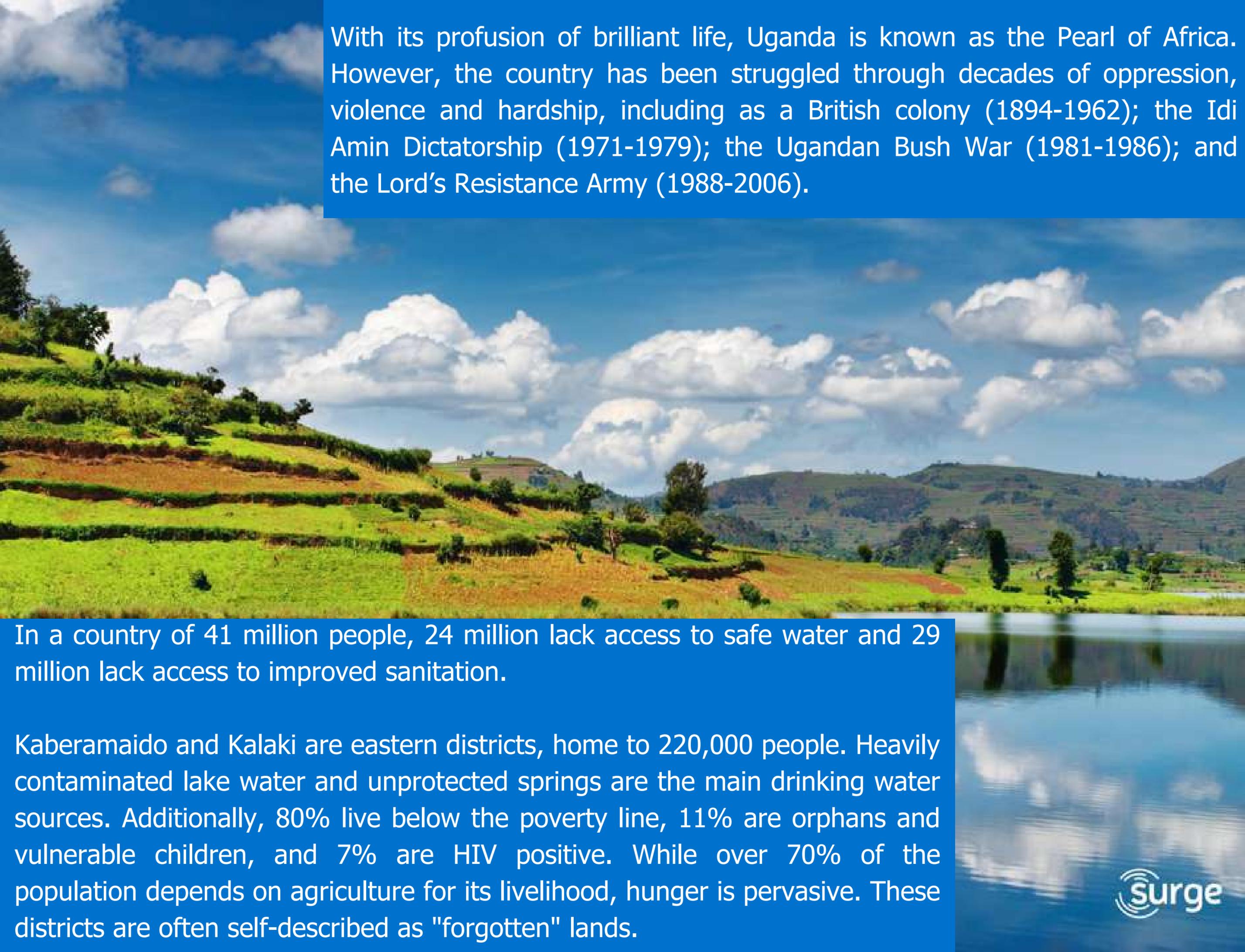
Together, we can transform lives with water infrastructure and education programs!





Our Mission

Surge for Water invests in communities through safe water, sanitation, hygiene and menstrual health solutions to help end the cycle of poverty.



With its profusion of brilliant life, Uganda is known as the Pearl of Africa. However, the country has been struggled through decades of oppression, violence and hardship, including as a British colony (1894-1962); the Idi Amin Dictatorship (1971-1979); the Ugandan Bush War (1981-1986); and the Lord's Resistance Army (1988-2006).

In a country of 41 million people, 24 million lack access to safe water and 29 million lack access to improved sanitation.

Kaberamaido and Kalaki are eastern districts, home to 220,000 people. Heavily contaminated lake water and unprotected springs are the main drinking water sources. Additionally, 80% live below the poverty line, 11% are orphans and vulnerable children, and 7% are HIV positive. While over 70% of the population depends on agriculture for its livelihood, hunger is pervasive. These districts are often self-described as "forgotten" lands.

Our Global Impact

Since 2008:

- 1 Million+ people reached
- 300+ communities, schools, and health centers
- 2000+ field jobs created



Thank You!

Any questions?

Email us at friends@surgeforwater.org

