

Clean Water Systems Prevent Illness & Improve Healthcare



Hospital access to clean water transforms healthcare

Meet Zipora Mzunya. She is one of two medical attendants at the small village hospital in Ikombolinga. Before TLP installed a clean water system in the village, Zipora attended to an average of **40 patients per month** with **waterborne diseases**. What has been the initial impact of this TLP clean water system?

Waterborne illnesses have already dropped by 80%.

Most village hospitals in isolated, rural areas are without clean water for handwashing, sterilization of equipment, cleaning, and laundry. The Village of Ikombolinga was no exception. Before TLP installed a clean

water system, Zipora would walk a long distance each morning to bring a bucket of dirty surface water from a local source to the hospital. This water was not safe, but it was all that was available. The long walk also made for a tiring day of work. When attending to women in childbirth, even more water is needed: prior to birth for the sterilization of implements and after birth for bathing mother and baby plus laundry. For those reasons, **pregnant women were asked to bring their own water for the birth of their children**. It was difficult for Zipora to tell pregnant mothers they must bring their own water.

Can you imagine being ready to deliver a baby and having to walk miles to fetch and carry a bucket of water?!

Now with clean water available at the hospital, all patients have a more sterile, safe environment for healthcare. Zipora says, “thank you TLP!”



Mothers, babies, and all villagers thrive with access to clean water



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