



# 2025 ANNUAL REPORT



**MISSION:** Empowering Life Through Sustainable Clean Water

**OVERALL STRATEGIC GOAL:** To install a clean water distribution system, educate on WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) and Human Rights, and promote sustainability in at least one new village every year.

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## ACCOMPLISHMENTS/HIGHLIGHTS OF 2025

- 1. WE'VE GONE SOLAR AND COMPLETED OUR 21<sup>st</sup> VILLAGE – BAHİ MAKULU (pop. 8,880)**  
Solar technology finally advanced to a level that could support a project of this size. We are very excited to be using this new environmentally-friendly design that will reduce the cost villagers will pay for water. This clean water project included a 100,000-liter reservoir, pumphouse, solar panels, 15 public water distribution points (including one five-tap distribution point in the center of the village) and a cattle trough to provide water for all the animals in the village.
- 2. NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH RUWASA –** TLP now partners with Tanzania's Rural Water and Sanitation Agency (RUWASA) to bring clean water to villages faster, at lower cost, and with greater long-term sustainability. As part of the government's goal to provide access to clean water across the country, the government has invested in drilling boreholes in the regions that have the most need. In our new partnership with RUWASA, they will manage borehole drilling, TLP will lead project design and construction, and RUWASA will take over the system operations and maintenance once the system is complete.
- 3. EMPOWERED RECORD NUMBER OF VILLAGERS –** The Empowerment Seminar in Bahi Makulu had the highest turnout of villagers of any project thus far. Attendees learned about Human Rights as found in the Tanzanian Constitution and how to promote gender equality for the benefit of a healthier, happier community. This seminar is particularly important because it fosters measurable progress in shifting attitudes, building trust, and ensuring that all groups in the community are actively involved in driving sustainable change.
- 4. WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE (WASH) FOLLOW-UP TRAINING SESSIONS –** During the 2025 follow-up training sessions in Chipanga and Chitope, our staff identified gaps in handwashing practices. That information will be used to guide targeted behavior change efforts going forward. While in the villages for these sessions, we are happy to report our team observed increased toilet construction which is a significant improvement!
- 5. A HELPFUL DONATION FOR MENSTRUAL HYGIENE MANAGEMENT –** Thanks to a very generous donation from a supporter in Minnesota, we acquired some of the most important materials used in the construction of feminine hygiene kits. Our 2025 travel team personally transported the materials to our local business partner in Dodoma. This provided an economic benefit to this important enterprise. Our Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) educational training and kit distribution for the Village of Bahi Makulu is scheduled for first quarter 2026.
- 6. ANNUAL MONITORING AND EVALUATION REPORTING –** In collaboration with village leaders in Chipanga and Chitope, we assessed improvements in sanitation and hygiene practices over the past year using a system called Kobo Collect, comparing the results to those of "best practice" villages. We compiled a report with key observations and recommendations for improvement. TLP then worked with the village leadership to develop a plan to drive further progress and achieve, or exceed, best practice standards for the upcoming year.

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**Established in 2005**

**TOTAL PROJECTS TO DATE –2005 –2025 = \$4,152,330**

## Financial Position – 2025

Management of this organization is accomplished primarily by the volunteer and unpaid efforts of the Leadership Team which is made up of members of the Board of Directors.

### CURRENT ASSETS

Cash 65,251

TOTAL ASSETS 65,251

### CURRENT LIABILITIES

Debt 0

TOTAL LIABILITIES 0

### EXPENSES

#### PROGRAM SERVICES

Bahi Makulu 283,636

WASH Program 10,319

Vehicle Escrow 26,400

TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES 320,355

#### SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES

Management & General 4,171

Fundraising 5,496

TOTAL SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES 9,667

TOTAL ACTUAL EXPENSES \$330,022

2025 INCOMING REVENUE \$349,488

Change in Net Assets \$19,466