

Final Report

The programme aims to conserve forests and protect the wildlife at Billing area in Akot Payam, Rumbek East, South Sudan. The area has been greatly affected by two decades of war resulting in massive loss of trees and wildlife. The program aims at protecting forest and conserving wildlife by sensitizing and educating the community on essential roles of forests and wildlife in sustaining.

The program set out to:-

- To train and sensitize the community (head teachers, local authority leaders and community leaders) on forest and wildlife conservation benefits.
- To train game wardens on forest management and protection skills.
- To carry out lobbying meetings with the ministry of education to influence them to integrate the essentials of trees in safeguarding life into primary school curriculum; with the local authorities to influence enactment of forest conservation rules and demarcation of land reserved for forestation.
- To organize a tree planting sessions where massive tree cutting had taken place.

How precisely did the RSG Award/Grant Help You?

Through the grant received from RSG in April 2006, we managed to:-

- Sensitize and train 50 head teachers, 50 local authority leaders and 50 community leaders on the essential roles of forest and wildlife in safeguarding rural life and basic methods of forest and wildlife conservation.
- Train 15 game wardens on the basic forest and wildlife management and conservation skills.
- Organized one lobbying meeting with the local authority leaders to influence the enactment of forest conservation rules and demarcation of land reserved for forestation.
- Organized one lobbying meeting with the ministry of education to influence the integration of essentials of trees in safeguarding rural life as a subject into primary school curriculum.
- Organize tree planting sessions where 3,000 trees were planted in areas where massive tree cutting had taken place in Akot village.

Are there additional ways the RSG Grant can assist you?

RSG fund can assist us by facilitating more trainings for the local community in forests and wildlife conservation. More training is needed for 30 more game wardens, as the number trained was only a small of the total in Rumbek.

Exceptionally Outstanding Member of RDF Team

Lako Majok Derder and Amukwong Dhieu Achiek. They were the team leaders. They risked their lives to enable the project succeed when there was high tension as a result of the fighting that had been going on in the village. They took a lot of persuasive skills to convince the local authority to enforce legislation and demarcation of land for afforestation. This success was directly attributed to them. Their contact details C/O P. O. Box 15838 – 00100, Nairobi, Kenya. Email: rdfafrica@kenyaweb.com

Have Other Local Organizations Contributed Significantly to Your Work, and if so, which organizations were these?

RDF was the only organization involved in this project which engaged most of the community members. This is because the inhabitants are mainly pastoralists and agriculturalists who are concerned with razing areas for their animals and land for horticulture. Thus it became important for them to conserve forests and protect wildlife.

RSG Financial Report for the Conservation and Protection of Wildlife				
Project Activity	Duration (Days/Wks /Mnths)	No. of Participants (Quantity)	Unit Cost (USD)	Total Cost (USD)
Total Grant Awarded by RSG		GBP 5,000		8,556.00
Procurement of Project Equipment/Materials				
Training Manuals	1	1	826.00	826.00
Training & Sensitization Workshops				
Head Teachers' Hall Hire	4	50	30.00	120.00
Meals & Refreshments	4	50	10.00	2,000.00
Local Authority Leaders' Hall Hire	4	50	30.00	120.00
Meals & Refreshments	4	50	10.00	2,000.00
Community Leaders' Hall Hire	4	50	30.00	120.00
Meals & Refreshments	4	50	10.00	2,000.00
Transportation	4	50		
Game Wardens Hall Hire	4	15	30.00	120.00
Meals & Refreshments	4	15	10.00	600.00
Organization & Mgt Staff Expenses				
Programe Director	1		200.00	200.00
Finance & Admin. Officer	1		150.00	150.00
Programe Developmen Officer	1		150.00	150.00
Field Coordinator	1		150.00	150.00
Grand Total Expenses				8,556.00