

About us

In Burundi, the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) World Service supports Internally Displaced People (IDPs), local communities and returnees. It promotes the integration of vulnerable people and the empowerment of youth in the provinces of Cankuzo and Ruyigi, near the Tanzanian border.

Since **2006**

















Protection Education Human rights WASH

Livelihoods



Country office

Bujumbura

- Operations
 - Cankuzo Province
 - Ruyigi Province

Field office

Cankuzo

Who we work with

In 2022, LWF Burundi supported **33,000** Persons of Concern (PoC)



- **22,500** local population (68%)
- **6,500** returnees (20%)
- 4,000 IDPs (12%)



- **20.000** adults (61%)
- **13,000** children (39%)



- **19,000** men (58%)
- 14,000 women (42%)



"I am pleased to do this work. I am recognized by people from the community and they come to me for advice. Authorities are also working with us. We are proud to achieve something important for the community."

Clothilde Mbonigaba is one of the twenty women participating in a gender justice project funded by various partners including the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation. Participants attended a training on advocacy and women's social and economic rights to support women from their community. They also defend their rights at the local and national level as they engage with duty-bearers.

Our impact

LWF Burundi's work relies on three programmatic areas: Livelihoods, Quality Services and Protection & Social Cohesion. In addition, gender justice and environmental protection are cross-cutting approaches that we apply in all sectors of intervention. These programmatic areas underlie our 2019-2024 global stategy and represented an investment of 1.1 million euros in 2022 in Burundi.



Livelihoods 768K €



Protection and social cohesion 228k €



Quality Services 130K €



LIVELIHOODS

3,045 individuals received food items for emergency relief
11,283 individuals sustainably strengthened their livelihoods



PROTECTION & SOCIAL COHESION

1,415 people participated in 36 sensitization sessions on children's rights, gender equality and sexual and gender-based violence 20 women leaders were empowered to claim their rights



QUALITY SERVICES

1,700 individuals were supported through the COVID-19 project
57.500 km of roads were rehabilitated



CROSS-CUTTING FOCUS AREAS

Gender justice Inclusion of minorities Environmental protection



"Before the training, we used to farm big fields and to use a lot of seeds for a small harvest. Now, we use less seeds but have better results. Many people are asking to join our cooperative and others are asking us to train them. We helped our neighbors to apply the techniques we learned."

Sidace Minani, the president of the cooperative, took part in a youth rights and resilience promotion project funded by the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and the LWF's German National Committee. Participants attended a training and received seeds and tools for improved methods of farming. The LWF project started in 2017 and the cooperative is independent since 2022.

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Our partners













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