

Partnerships & Capacity Building with CBOs and NGOs

COSITA works in close collaboration with a network of Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) across Northern Tanzania to strengthen local capacity, empower communities, and drive sustainable development. These partnerships are at the heart of COSITA's mission, ensuring that grassroots organizations are equipped to deliver impactful, community-led solutions.

Through this collaborative approach, COSITA not only implements programs but also invests in strengthening partner organizations to become more effective, accountable, and sustainable.

Our Partner Organizations

COSITA proudly partners with the following organizations:

- Engaruka Community Initiative Organization (ENCO)
- Genesis Community Foundation
- Hodari Education Foundation
- Elang'ata Girls Empowerment Organization
- Tanzania Livelihood Initiative Organization
- Dupoto Development Organization
- Mark Foundation
- Eagle Foundation
- Partnership For Women and Development Tanzania



These organizations operate in diverse regions, including Manyara, Monduli, Ngorongoro, Loliondo, Longido, Kiteto, and Hanang, enabling COSITA to extend its impact across multiple underserved communities.

Collaborative Community Interventions

Together with its partners, COSITA has implemented a wide range of community-focused initiatives aimed at improving livelihoods and promoting sustainable development. These include:

- Promoting **community health, hygiene, and sanitation practices**
- Supporting **food security and nutrition initiatives**
- Advancing **environmental conservation**, including tree planting and climate awareness
- Promoting **education and capacity development in schools and communities**
- Empowering **women, youth, and children** through rights-based and economic initiatives

All interventions are designed to be participatory, inclusive, and locally driven to ensure long-term impact.

Capacity Building & Training Programs

A cornerstone of COSITA's partnership model is strengthening the institutional and operational capacity of partner organizations. COSITA has successfully delivered a series of structured training programs, including:

1. Empowering Communities & Driving Sustainable Change

This training focused on equipping partner organizations with practical approaches to design and implement impactful, community-led development initiatives. Emphasis was placed on sustainability, inclusivity, and long-term community ownership.

2. Financial Management & QuickBooks Training

Partners received intensive training on:

- Financial planning and budgeting
- Transparent financial reporting
- Accountability systems and internal controls
- Effective use of **QuickBooks** for financial tracking and reporting

This has significantly improved financial transparency and operational efficiency among partner organizations.

3. Resource Mobilization Training

This training aimed to strengthen the ability of CBOs and NGOs to secure funding and sustain their programs. Key areas included:

- Proposal writing and fundraising strategies
- Donor engagement and relationship building
- Identifying funding opportunities and diversifying income sources

4. Monitoring, Evaluation, and Report Writing (MERL) Training

COSITA equipped partners with essential skills in:

- Project monitoring and performance tracking
- Evaluation methodologies and impact assessment
- Professional report writing and documentation
- Data collection and evidence-based decision making

Impact of Our Partnerships

Through these trainings and joint interventions, COSITA's partner organizations have demonstrated significant improvements in:

- Organizational management and governance
- Financial accountability and transparency
- Project implementation and reporting
- Resource mobilization capacity
- Community outreach and engagement

These strengthened organizations are now better positioned to deliver sustainable, high-impact programs within their communities.

Conclusion

COSITA believes that lasting change is achieved through strong, strategic partnerships. By working hand-in-hand with CBOs and NGOs and investing in their growth, COSITA is building a resilient network of local organizations committed to transforming communities and promoting sustainable development across Tanzania.