

The Edith M Ellis 1985 Charitable Trust

Central Tanganyika Diocesan Trust

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1.1 Please summarise what you are seeking from us

We seek a grant of £3750 to fund the training of 10 local conservation agriculture trainers in semi -arid Central Tanzania for one year, to help end food insecurity and reduce poverty sustainably for subsistence farmers. Poor climate and soil fertility are the drivers of food security issues. 50% of the subsistence farmers are impacted by hunger during poor harvest years (around one million people in this region) 68% of them survive on incomes of £1.60 per day.

Tell us more about your project and the impact it will have on those it aims to help, and how it will bring about significant change

The Diocese of Central Tanganyika (DCT) (Tanzania) is an Anglican Diocese of 290 Parishes (200 villages) with 300 Pastors caring for one million people. DCT has recently completed a pilot sustainable Conservation Agriculture (CA) project in 15% of its villages which on average DOUBLED HARVEST yields in region. We now want to roll out the CA program to more villages by recruiting 10 local CA trainers for a year.

Each village has a DCT Pastor who selects farmers for training depending on capability, motivation and hardship. Subsistence farming plots are typically 2 hectares and support a family of 6 to 8. The Conservation Agriculture program (CA) teaches farmers to maximise soil coverage with mulch to retain moisture in arid conditions. Additionally, farmers are taught to use 20% of their plot size to grow non-food crops which rot down to create natural fertiliser for the next year.

A locally recruited Tanzanian CA trainer costs £375 to train and have operating for one year. The impact figures for a single CA trainer are :

- a) A DCT CA trainer covering 10 villages would coach 150 farmers.
- b) At an average family size of 6 to 8 people this directly impacts approximately 1,000 people.
- c) Each trained farmer can then coach approximately 5 more farmers which benefits another 35 people.

Over time, this multiplier effect means that a single DCT trainer can coach 150 farmers, who train 750 others, improving the food security of approximately 6,000 people in total.

If 10 CA trainers could be funded by the Edith M Ellis Charitable Trust the food security of 60,000 people would be improved over time.

Our approach is innovative as subsistence farmer (mainly women) harvest yields can double on average with little or no cost using CA techniques, in an area where incomes are at the UN absolute poverty level index. The approach is sustainable in respect of climate change, is ecumenical as villages are typically a mix of religions and critically will help alleviate food insecurity.

1.3 Which grant-giving categories does your project fulfil?

C - Interfaith and ecumenical understanding

D - Peace work connected with climate breakdown

1.3c Interfaith and ecumenical understanding

Having trained CA farmers in villages has the multiplier effect as described in section 1.2 which can generate improved food security for villagers, across the many different faiths in subsistence farming villages. In short this is "agricultural Christianity in action".

1.3d Peace work connected with climate breakdown

DCT's conservation agriculture program is a food security alleviation initiative which has been driven by the increasing climate change impacts in Africa. As such the CA trainers contribute to the peace process as defined in section 1.3c on a cross- religion, cross cultural basis eg Christians and Muslims in Tanzanian villages.

1.4 Which country is the project based in?

Tanzania (TZ)

1.5 Will the project continue after initial funding has ended?

No

1.6 How will the project be monitored and evaluated?

DCT local staff will monitor the CA roll out process and provide reports on a 3 monthly basis to the Edith M Ellis Charitable Trust including photographs and mobile phone video clips of training sessions. Local DCT CA staff work closely with myself and other UK and Australian based volunteers.

Our key evaluation metrics will be :

- 1) recruiting 10 Tanzanian women farmers and training them in CA techniques.
- 2) critically the number of farmers trained, especially Women.

2.1 Expenditure

EXPENDITURE ITEM	AMOUNT	NOTES
Trainee travel costs	£375	From villages to training venue and return.
Training session venue, facilitation etc	£751	Total cost of CA training sessions
Follow up visits to subsistence farms	£2,063	Follow up visits are critical to ensure trainers are implementing CA techniques correctly on their own plots
Local Tanzania training admin	£561	
TOTALS	£3,750	

2.2 Income

INCOME SOURCE	TARGET AMOUNT	AMOUNT RAISED	NOTES
We aim to recruit 2 cohorts of 10 CA trainers ie £3750 for each cohort. The first cohort is already funded see line 2.	£7,500	£	We have already raised £3750 to fund 1 cohort of 10 CA trainers (see line 2) and seek to fund the other cohort from the Edith M Ellis Charitable Trust ie £3750
Funding from a Church, Anchor Foundation and individuals	£3,750	£3,750	Funding in place for 1 cohort of 10 trainers

TOTALS	£11,250	£7,500	
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2.3 What is the total amount (in £ sterling) your organisation is requesting from The Edith M Ellis Trust?

£3,750

2.4 Has your organisation made an application to The Edith M Ellis Trust before?

No

2.5 Please state your organisation's annual turnover (in £ sterling)

£13,093

2.6 Do you wish to upload your audited accounts or financial statement?

No

2.7 Please tell us where payment should be made if your application is successful

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3.1 Your name

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3.2 Your contact telephone number

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3.3 Your position within the organisation

Volunteer Adviser to the Bishop Central Diocese of Tanganyika

3.4 Your email address

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3.5 Organisation name

Central Tanganyika Diocesan Trust

3.6 Please state the status of your organisation

UK registered charity

3.7 Please summarise what your organisation does

The Central Tanganyika Diocesan Trust (CTDT) is a registered Charity formed in 1947. CTDT raises funds which flow through the Anglican Diocese of Central Tanganyika (DCT) in Tanzania to people in need o help with training, famine relief, agriculture and religious activities. The staff are all volunteers working in the UK and in Tanzania.

Fast No More is the agricultural and famine relief campaigning arm of CTDT. Please see the fastnomore website.

3.8 UK correspondence address for organisation

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3.9 UK telephone number

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3.10 UK charity number (if applicable)

1034798

3.11 Year established

21st March 1947 (10 March 1994 was registered as a charity)

3.12 Website (if applicable)

CTDT does not have a website, however <https://fastnomore.com/> is the website for agricultural work

3.13 Social media accounts (if applicable)

N/A

4.1 How did you hear about The Edith M Ellis Trust?

Internet

Charity Commission website

Word of mouth

4.1b Internet Sources

I just searched for Christian charities on a broad basis !