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Email: info@keeperszambia.rg Website: <u>www.keeperszambia.org</u> KZF is a not for profit local non-governmental organisation formed and registered in 1996. The operations is underpinned on the following vision and mission. KZF envisions an economically and socially secure community, while the Mission is to improve livelihoods of economically and socially disadvantaged communities through sustainable and environmentally approaches"

KZF has been working with economically and socially disadvantaged communities in per-urban and rural areas especially women and Youths. The organisation over the period of 21 years has implemented both regional and national programmes across all the ten provinces in Zambia and maintains two regional offices one in Western and Eastern provinces, with the Head of office in Lusaka. The Foundation has management team headed by Executive Director with a total workforce of 21. The team comprises of staff with various disciplines. The Foundation has a board of 6 Trustees elected by the Annual General Membership. Currently the Board comprises of 3 academicians, 1 Diplomat and 1 Businessman

According to the Finscope study of 2015, 54.8% of the 8.1 million adult population in Zambia lives

Lack of Basic Services

High Unemployment

 Lack of Skills enhancement

 Limited Genderresponsive actions

Weak Value Chains

in rural areas. Out of the 45.2% that live in urban areas 70% live in peri-urban areas. From an economic and social standpoint, communities in these areas continue to be disadvantaged due to;

KZF works to improve the livelihoods of economically and socially disadvantaged communities.



Aappreciative inquiry and participatory tools are used to explain all approaches and also use of local languages as a means to enhance people understanding of their gaps and needs and take lead solution identification.

#### KZF envisions an economically and socially secure community.

#### **KZF Thematic Areas of Operation**

- 1. Agriculture & Natural Resources Management
- 2. Water, Sanitation & Health
- 3. Economic & Social Justice

# Theme 1: Agriculture & Natural Resource Management

The aspiration of KZF is a continued improvement of livelihoods from sustainable agriculture through;

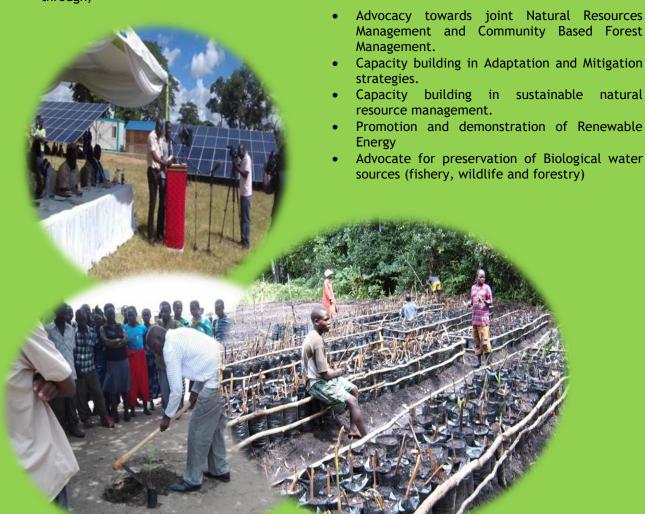


Keepers Zambia Foundation has implemented Agricultural development activities reaching out to 168,465 households with support from European Union (EU), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), United States African Development Foundation, Norwegian Church AID, GRZ and others. The has created financial benefits of \$1million and employment to more than 10, 000 in Agriculture and processing industries

KZF has played an instrumental and catalytic role across all the 10 provinces of Zambia in revitalizing and growing the rural farming groups and cooperatives and has been involved in the agriculture sector for 21 years.

## Natural Resource Management

In the wake of climatic changes, KZF envisions a sustainable management of natural resources through;



In this key thematic area, KZF has implemented World Bank, UNDP-GEF and African Development Bank funded programs and collaborated with respective GRZ ministries to enhance the adaptive capacity of 19,670 vulnerable communities.

### Theme 2: Water Sanitation and Health

KZF aspires to improve access to safe water, sanitation and health services required to improve quality of life through;

- Modeling of affordable water and sanitation facilities
- Promotion and demonstration of Water harvesting Technologies
- Build capacity of communities to manage water and sanitation (WATSAN) services
- Support demonstration of community access to affordable safe water and sanitation
- Advocate for improved policy around safe and affordable water and water services
- Promotion of hygiene Technology
- Capacity building in health services
- Nutrition promotion
- Advocacy towards Equitable and Gender responsive health services



## Theme 3: Economic & Social Justice

Social and Economic Justice remains the core of all KZF initiatives. KZF will continue to design and employ approaches in all its programs so as to;

- Facilitate formation of Community Based Financial Institutions
- Promote savings groups
- Create linkages with various value chain actors
- Capacity Building in Micro enterprise management
- Promotion and support capacity of communities and traditional leaders in Gender sensitive development.
- Create linkages with para-legal clinics
- Gender responsive participation and engagement

IFAD and Action Aid, have been an instrumental long term partner of KZF in this key area. Over 100,000 households have been reached with gender responsive messaging and capacity

enhancement in various economic and social livelihood practices.

