

## GRUCSO NEWSLETTER JULY – SEPTEMBER 2026

Over the last three months GRUCSO has been continuing its important support services to the vulnerable children in Geita, including the following in Nyang'wale District Council, Geita Municipal Council and Geita District Council.

### 1. Conducting needs assessment for the children

The GRUCSO team visited numerous schools including Nyantorotoro Secondary, Bugando Secondary and Ntinachi Secondary in Geita Municipal Council and Geita District. Through discussion between the teacher and students we were able to identify specific needs for the children under our care, including the need for learning resources and materials such as textbooks, school uniforms, shoes, bags, bicycles, solar lights for studying, boarding school sponsorship, food, and health insurance. If you are interested in donating, you can see the needs assessment costs broken down at the end of the newsletter.

### 2. Home and School Visit

We believe in forming and maintaining excellent relationships between our beneficiaries, their guardians, and other relatives who are involved in raising these children at home. This is helpful to get a clear picture of the varied environments in which our beneficiaries live, as well as facilitating good communication between the students and the GRUCSO team. We visited 10 homes in Nyawilimilwa Ward in Geita District. It was an exciting experience to meet the family members, discuss the progress of their children, and decide on the best way to support our beneficiaries.



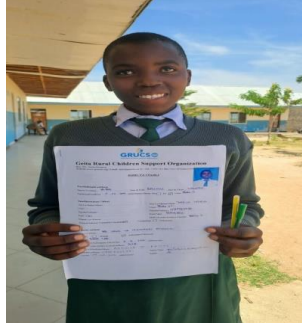
### 3. Raising awareness on responsible parenting and children's rights, as well as counselling on self-esteem and gender-based violence

We are grateful for our wonderful volunteers Mr Renatus Kadogosa, Miss Rehema and Miss Anastazia, who conducted an impactful seminar with the parents, children and guardians from Nzera Ward in Geita District. About 150 students and 30 parents attended and advice was given on how to be a responsible parent, children's rights, and gender-based violence. This is aimed at reducing these all-too-common problems that negatively impact on the mental health and wellbeing of our beneficiaries and the community at large.

### 4. Identifying and registering seven new beneficiaries



Our mission is to support as many children as possible in the Geita Region and Tanzania at large. Due to the high demand and an increased number of vulnerable children in Geita District, and despite the limited funds available to GRUCSO, the decision was made to add seven new beneficiaries to the GRUCSO's portfolio. These beneficiaries were identified from Ntinachi secondary at Nyawilimilwa ward, Geita District.



##### 5. Donating education materials and enrolling students in High School

This quarter we were able to continue our provision of valuable materials to support our beneficiaries' education. Items such as textbooks, stationery, funds to cover the rising cost of living, sanitary pads, and home clothes. We are also proud for our two boys **Arnold Godfrey** and **Renard Kulwa Busanda** who have started their high school journey at Muungano Secondary School in Chato District.



##### Special Thanks

GRUCSCO is truly grateful to all the amazing people who have donated their resources and funds to enable our important work. Special thanks to **FEMA Mining & Drilling Co. Ltd** and **Mwanza International School in Mwanza** for their smooth facilitation of our charity fun run (third edition) and help making it such a successful event. You can be part of this amazing journey to make the dreams of underprivileged children in our care. Visit our website to donate and make a difference today.

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## NEEDS ASSESSMENT FORM AS OF JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> 2026

Geita Rural Children Support Organisation (GRUCSO) is a registered Non-Governmental Organization based in Geita town. The organisation (Reg. No. 22NGO/R/3661) was established to support the Education of vulnerable and disadvantaged children in the Geita Region, particularly in rural areas, through financial, psychological, and material support.

For the last few years, the organisation has been able to provide assistance to more than 50 needy students - both from primary and secondary schools. To ensure the effectiveness of our support we conducted a current needs assessment from four different schools including Nzera Secondary, Nyantoro Secondary, Bugando Secondary and Ntinachi Secondary from Geita District and Geita Municipal Council. The survey was conducted through direct interviews sessions with beneficiaries, teachers, community development officers, parents and guardians, and through home visitation to see the reality of the major challenges facing the disadvantaged children in our care.

The following are the needs for 23 beneficiaries:

| NUMBER | NAME OF THE ITEMS                                                                                                                                 | COST PER CHILD (TSH) | DURATION |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| 1.     | A pair of school shoes                                                                                                                            | 4,0000               | 1 Year   |
| 2.     | A pair of uniforms (socks, trousers/skirt, shirt, sweater and necktie)                                                                            | 120,000              | 1 Year   |
| 3.     | Contributions for volunteering teachers                                                                                                           | 5,000                | 1 Month  |
| 4.     | Food (beans and maize) as the students stay at school from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm                                                                     | 70,000               | 6 Months |
| 5.     | Contribution for the cook                                                                                                                         | 5,000                | 6 Months |
| 6.     | Scientific calculator for science subjects                                                                                                        | 80,000               | 1 year   |
| 7.     | Studying: solar light for those without electricity                                                                                               | 100,000              | 1 Year   |
| 8.     | Books and stationery                                                                                                                              | 250,000              | 1 Year   |
| 9.     | Bicycle for a child whose school is very far                                                                                                      | 200,000              | 2 Years  |
| 10.    | Sponsoring a Government School Boarding Facility (food, bed, stationery, textbooks, uniforms, fare, and other contributions) – Highly recommended | 1,100,000            | 1 Year   |
| 11.    | NHIF (National Health Insurance Fund)                                                                                                             | 55,000               | 1 Year   |