

# Annual Report

Saving Africa's wildlife by improving the health of people



#### Letter from the CTPH CEO

IN 2014, CONSERVATION THROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH (CTPH) CONTINUED TO MAKE SIGNIFICANT STRIDES IN IMPROVING PRIMARY HEALTH CARE AND LIVELIHOODS TO PEOPLE AND ANIMALS IN AND AROUND PROTECTED AREAS IN AFRICA WHILE ALSO ENHANCING THE CONSERVATION OF WILDLIFE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND BIODIVERSITY.

We received our first funding from *Tusk Trust* to build a Health and Gorilla Conservation Centre at our new site with a stunning view overlooking the top of Bwindi Forest.

We succesfully scaled up the Village Health and Conservation Team (VHCT) and Village Saving and Loan Association (VSLA) model to another district, Kisoro around Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, home to the world's critically endangered mountain gorillas. We scaled up CTPH's integrated approach to Pian Upe Wildlife Reserve, in Nakapiritpirit District, Karamoja region of Eastern Uganda, also with endangered species including cheetahs, roan antelope and eland, though training Conservation Community Animal Health Workers to promote conservation, animal and human health using a "One Health" approach in partnership with Uganda Wildlife Authority and Nakapiritpirit District local government. Funding from the Global Development Network and the French Embassy Social Development Fund made this possible to which we are very grateful.

CTPH also built upon a new initiative in conservation education involving youth from the local communities through a partnership with The Kids' League (TKL), a child friendly conservation education program where youth in school accumulate points from conservation quizzes, football and netball games. We had six leagues this year, and are very grateful to UK volunteer Guy Hodgkinson who has continued to raise funds for the Impenetrable Kids League at Bwindi.

We are very grateful for the media exposure received both in Uganda and internationally, most notably CNN African Voices, that features trail blazing personalities in their field. Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka was interviewed by Zain Verjee on CNN African Voices in a series that also featured Bwindi Chief Park warden and rangers, the Batwa pygmies in CNN Inside Africa. Our achievements were also featured in newspapers, on radio and Uganda TV.

CTPH Founder and CEO joined the prestigious Explorer's Club as



a Fellow, and was visited by the President, Mr. Alan Nichols and his wife Becky at Bwindi who attended an inaugural dinner in Kampala, for people who may wish to start the Uganda Chapter of Explorer's Club.

We would like to extend our warmest and most sincere gratitude to our donors, partners, volunteers, supporters, friends and organizations that are continuing to donate and support CTPH as we start our second decade.

Please read on for more details of the 2014 highlights.

Sincerely

**Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka** Ashoka Fellow Founder and CEO, CTPH

#### Awards and Recognitions

## DR. GLADYS KALEMA-ZIKUSOKA RECIPIENT OF THE 2014 MTN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AWARD OF THE YEAR

Each year, MTN Uganda acknowledges the importance of Ugandan women in both the social and economic development of the country. This year in April, MTN invited business and corporate women from different spheres

to engage in a panel discussion. The theme of the discussion was "Getting More Women Into the Real Economy." Following the panel discussion. MTN's "Women In Business Awards" were granted to those Ugandan women who are

leaders of innovation and inspiration in the respective industry sectors. Dr. Gladys was the proud recipient of the Mobile Telephone Network (MTN) Science and Technology Award of the Year.

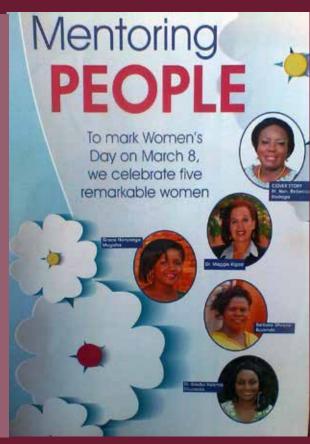


Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka receiving MTN Science and Technology Award from MTN Uganda, CEO, Mr. Mazen Mroué

"Dr. Gladys was featured in the current Flair Magazine Uganda alongside Speaker of the Uganda Parliament, Hon. Rebbecca Kagada and three other outstanding women achievers, Dr. Maggie Kigozi, Grace Nanyonga Mugisha and Barbara Ofwono Buyonda, focusing on the role of "Mentorship in Personal Development."

When she joined Uganda Wildlife Authority as the first Veterinary doctor, Dr. Gladys faced a lot of challenges in her career. But with the support from her mentors, she fought all the battles and made it to the top, making her dreams come true. She quotes some of her mentors as being Dr. Richard Kock, technical advisor for Kenya Wildlife Service Veterinary Unit, Dr. Liz Macfie who set up a gorilla conservation programme in Uganda and her mother Rhoda Kalema. Congratulations Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka"

Dr. Gladys, alongside Hon. Rebecca Kadaga, was featured in Flair Magazine recognizing her for role in "Mentorship in Personal Development."



## DR GLADYS KALEMA-ZIKUSOKA RECOGNISED AMONG INSPIRATIONAL UGANDAN WOMEN FOR THE YEAR 2014

inspirational Forty women in Uganda, including CTPH's Dr Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka were recognized for their unsung heroism. These remarkable women were acknowledge by Century Entrepreneurship Development Agency (CEDA) International under the initiative "Inspirational Women of Uganda Directory." The directory highlighted the success stories of women who have positively impacted their respective communities. CEDA International Founder and President, Hajjat Rhema Kasule, hoped the directory would act as an education tool that could be made accessible

to secondary schools, higher institutions of learning, private and government institutions and key NGOs that focus on youth and women empowerment. Additionally, single mothers in these communities could identify and actively engage with role models as a means of inspiration and support.



#### DR GLADYS RECIPIENT OF CEO MAGAZINE'S "MOST INFLUENTIAL WOMEN 2014"

Dr Gladys was honored with two prestigious awards as the Country Winner and Regional Winner in the Medical and Veterinary Sector of Uganda and East Africa, courtesy of CEO Magazine's "Africa's Most Influential Women in Business and Government Awards 2014."



#### **New Projects for CTPH**

CTPH would like to extend it's warmest appreciation for all the and encouragement support since the beginning of 2014. We received further support from Tusk Trust to continue the construction of the new Health and Gorilla Conservation Center. We also initiated a new project in an effort to improve the health of the Batwa community in Kanungu and Kisoro Districts around Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, home to the world's critically endangered mountain gorillas.

## EXPANDING AN INTEGRATED GORILLA AND HUMAN HEALTH MODEL TO THE INDIGENOUS BATWA PYGMIES OF BWINDI IMPENETRABLE NATIONAL PARK

In October 2014, CTPH received further funding from United States Fish and Wildlife Services (USFWS) Great Apes Conservation Fund (GACF) to expand our integrated gorilla and human health model to the indigenous Batwa pygmy communities of Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. The project will improve the health of the Batwa community while also strengthening gorilla health monitoring.

To ensure it's success, in November 2014, CTPH held a planning meeting with key stake holders including the Village Health and Conservation Teams (VHCTs), two of whom are Batwa from Bujengwe and Mukono parishes, the Kisoro District Health Inspector, a representative from the Uganda Wildlife Authority, a representative from the Batwa Development Program and the representative from the Institute of Tropical Forest Conservation.

The project will strengthen gorilla health monitoring in areas where they range outside the park close to Batwa settlements, and increase the number of Batwa VHCTs from two to 13, with a representative in each of the 11 settlements bordering

Bwindi. The project will improve hygiene and sanitation as well as knowledge of good conservation practices including use of energy saving stoves through home visits and group talks.

Additionally, VHCTs will educate on family planning in order to ensure the health and education of both future and existing children. The project will also encourage the Batwa to join Village Saving and Loan Associations (VSLAs) to improve their livelihoods. We hope that improving the Batwa's health and conservation attitudes and engaging them in alternative livelihoods will reduce dependence on the forest to meet basic needs including firewood and medicinal plants. This will in turn reduce the risk of transmission of diseases between people and wild animals.

CTPH first received funding from USFWS in 2005 to begin gorilla health monitoring and community education campaigns in Bwindi and later in the Virungas. We are very grateful to USFWS for all the support that has enabled us to establish, expand and strengthen an integrated gorilla and human health model in Uganda and Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

Visit CNN "African Voices" featuring CTPH's work in April 2014, and see Batwa VHCT leader Flora Kyomukama educating her community with Dr. Gladys.

http://edition.cnn.com/ video/data/2.0/video/ international/2014/04/21/spcafrican-voices-gladys-kalemazikusoka-a.cnn.html

## BUILDING A HEALTH AND GORILLA CONSERVATION CENTRE

In September 2014, CTPH received further funding from *Tusk*, a dynamic and pioneering organisation with 25 years of experience initiating and funding conservation, community

development and environmental education programmes Africa", to continue the construction of the new Health and Gorilla Conservation Center. This center is expanding the Gorilla Research Clinic, and incorporating a community education center, which will go even further in connecting visitors to this amazing World Heritage Site. The center will aid in conducting more tests in gorillas, livestock and people who are ill, and help to reduce disease incidences due to regular analysis of approximately 190 habituated gorillas. This will result in fewer samples sent outside Bwindi and out of Uganda as capacity is being built locally. The center will also provide a meeting place for the local community, as well a location to educate on interrelated conservation, health and livelihood issues. Many thanks to Tusk and individual donors for their contributions towards this important cause.

## EXPANDING AN INTEGRATED CONSERVATION, HEALTH AND COMMUNTIY DEVELOPMENT MODEL TO KISORO DISTIRCT AROUND BWINDI

In September 2013, Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH) received funding from Global Development Network (GDN) after winning 1st Prize of the 2012 Japanese Most Innovative **Development Project** for scaling up a social service delivery approach. The funding project was to undertake a entitled "Integrated biodiversity and conservation, health community development around Impenetrable National Bwindi Park, SW Uganda." The overall goal of the project was to scale up an award winning social service delivery model of Village Health and Conservation Teams supported by income generating projects and Village Saving and Loan Associations (VSLAs) from two parishes in Kanungu District to two

other parishes with high human and gorilla conflict in Kisoro District.

## CTPH EXPANDS TO PIAN UPE WILDLIFE RESERVE, KARAMOJA, EASTERN UGANDA

In 2014, CTPH implemented a new project called "Integrated Conservation and Public Health Through Community Animal Health Workers in and around Pian-Upe Wildlife Reserve in Karamoja" in partnership with Uganda Wildlife Authority, Nakapiripiriti District and Community Animal Health Workers.

In order to achieve the overall goal of the project, one of the main activities was to establish the baseline of Ministry of Health (MOH) hygiene and sanitation indicators, livestock husbandry practices and health, levels of illegal grazing, poaching and feeding on fresh game meat in the project area.

Four priority villages were selected for the surveys according to proximity to Pian Upe Wildlife Reserve, human and wildlife conflict and accessibility by vehicle. To facilitate the surveys, CTPH trained Community Animal Health Workers (CAHWs) and 2 Village Health Team (VHTs) members to carry out these surveys in 2000 homes within the Manyatta or Karimajong Homestead. survey tools included a hygiene and sanitation checklist for establishing the hygiene status of the villages, and a farmers' knowledge, attitudes and practices (KAP) survey on livestock health and husbandry and conservation. Following the survey, Community Conservation Animal Health Workers (CCAHWS) were trained to conduct behavior change communication based on a few health and conservation indicators and started to collect data. Already community members are beginning to build pit latrines, where there were none, and rangers were also trained to monitor clinical signs in wildlife and collect samples from animals. Livestock disease surveys began and CCAHWS received further training in animal handling and husbandry during this exercise. Because of the project, Village Conservation Committees were

created and UWA and CCAHWS on their own have started to hold planning meetings for joint community sensitization led by CCAHW leader.

This project was made possible thanks to the generous support of the French Embassy in Uganda, Social Development Fund (SDF). This year we were greatly encouraged by the visit of the Ambassador, HE Sophie Makame and her team to Pian Upe Wildlife Reserve, where she met all the partners, CCAHWS and park staff.

#### **Project Aims**

- Train VHCTs in livestock enterprises aimed at better management for improved livelihoods and incomes.
- Provide improved livestock breeds to the VHCTs to incentivize and sustain their volunteer efforts.
- Train VHCTs in setting up and operating Village Savings and Loans Associations (VSLAs).
- Advocate for some income from the VSLAs to be used to conduct monthly meetings, and on site supervision to enable data collection for the Ministry of Health (MOH) Management Information System (HMIS) and Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA) Management Information System (MIST).

#### **Project Achievements**

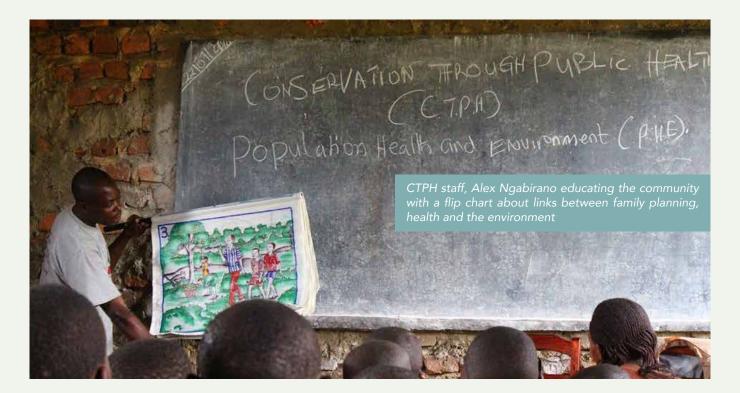
• Planning and evaluation meetings were held with key stakeholders

- including the VHCTs of Nteko and Rubuguri parishes.
- The Kisoro VHCTs were revived and trained in livestock husbandry and operation of VSLAs, and established two successfully operating VSLAs.
- The two parishes, Nteko and Rubuguri, received eight cattle and one bull as two group income generating activities.
- A manual was developed on setting up sustainable VHCTs for scaling up social service delivery.
- The VHCTs conducted home visits and group talks within their community, and collected monthly data to monitor positive behavior change.

We are very proud of the work of the VHCT community volunteers who managed to visit 2,529 homes with over 12,000 people, of which 1,966 were new homes. This number represents over 95% of all the households in these parishes. Of these, 364 homes had regular interactions with gorillas. They also held 274 group talks with over 10,000 people. VHCTs also acted as a link between the communities and the Uganda Wildlife Authority (UWA) Community Conservation Office and local health centres.

VCHTs were also able to educate the local community on family planning issues, which resulted in 133 new users to oral contraceptives and 48 referrals for implants. Additionally 1,007 new households acquired drying racks, 1,334 acquired functional pit latrines, and 617





acquired hand washing facilities. They also identified and referred for testing at the local health centres: 29 people for scabies, 117 people for Tuberculosis, and 96 people with malnutrition.

evaluation meeting held November 2014 with 23 UWA's kev stakeholders at Bwindi Impenetrable National Park headquarters in Buhoma, acknowledged that the partnership between CTPH and UWA has helped to improve the health of the people and animals in and around the park, as well as deliver conservation education and bring about positive behavior change. It was also noted that UWA should continue building latrines in homes at the forest edges to improve on general hygiene for the community and tourists, which has made an impact in Rubuguri, Kisoro District. This project funded by Global Development Network has proven to be scalable, and should be expanded to Mgahinga National Park, also home to mountain gorillas in Kisoro District.

#### **Recommendations**

 Kisoro VHCTs should receive training in services delivered by their counterparts in Kanungu District. These include:

- Depo-Provera injectable contraceptive administration, which brought about a significant increase in new users to family planning
- 2. Nutrition promotion and identification of children with malnutrition
- 3. Promotion of additional public health and conservation interventions, such as, energy saving stoves technologies, which began with support from Ecolife Foundation.
- Information on equitable sharing of revenue from Gorilla tourism should be included in the community outreach of VHCTs.
- VHCTs should start collecting data on other wild animals that are visiting people's homes and destroying crops. This is a large source of conflict with the park management and affects food security.
- Children should be encouraged to go to school, particularly girls.
- Bwindi youth should be sensitized about sexual reproductive health to reduce teenage pregnancies and school drop outs, which also complements the National Ministry of Health's "Uganda Family Planning Costed Implementation Plan, 2015-2020."
- Local politicians must be sensitized regarding the importance of family planning.

## VHCTS IN BUHOMA RECEIVE PRACTICAL TRAINING ON ENERGY SAVING STOVES CONSTRUCTION

CTPH partnered with Ecolife Foundation to promote the use of energy saving cook stoves among communities in Kanungu District, Bujengwe and Mukono parishes around Bwindi through the Village Health and Conservation Teams.

### Rocket-Lorena Energy Saving Stove

CTPH 's VHCT, Peace Ngahinyuza, who already has a Rocket-Lorena stove in her home, trained fellow VHCTs on how to construct and maintain Rocket-Lorena stoves with locally available materials. The primary advantages of the Rocket Lorena Energy Saving Stove are that it cooks two dishes simultaneously and is inexpensive to maintain. The demonstration was done at David Bahati's home. David is a VHCT from Kanyashande village, Mukono parish.

### Maasai Energy Saving Stove

Simon Kwikiriza of Ecolife trained VHCTs on the construction of Maasai Energy Saving stoves. This stove requires more technical skills





and costly materials including bricks, metal, cement, sand and lime. The advantage of this stove is that it lasts longer and requires less repairs than the Rocket Lorena Stove.

#### **Advocacy**

In July 2014, HE President Museveni of Uganda publically endorsed family planning as a cost effective intervention to reduce poverty and promote sustainable development in Uganda, in conjunction with livelihoods, health care and education.

The Uganda Poverty and Conservation Learning Group (U-PCLG) recommended that the VHCT model should be scaled up to all frontline parishes around Bwindi Impenetrable National Park following Conservation Through Poverty Alleviation (CTPA) research.



#### CTPH PARTICIPATES IN THE INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL BOMA AT MAKERERE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF **VETERINARY MEDICINE**

CTPH was glad to participate in the International Cultural and BOMA Conference at Makarere University, College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal Resources and Biosecurity (COVAB). The main objectives of the Conference were to:

- 1. Equip participants with knowledge and skills in animal production, disease surveillance and public health.
- 2. Expose participants to practical skills (experiential learning) in wildlife and ecosystem health management
- 3. Equip participants with soft skills for knowledge sharing, mentorship and networking through an international cultural boma.
- 4. Provide an opportunity for dissemination of research outputs in integrated diseases management through scientific conferences.



In the Picture (From left-right): Prof. Skip Jack from Mississippi State University Department of Pathobiology and Population Medicine, Dr. Arionga Simon Peter, District Veterinary Officer of Nakapiriprit District, CTPH's Mr Lawrence Zikusoka and Dr Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka, Dr Margret Khaitsa, Professor International Veterinary Epidemiology in the same department, and Prof. William Epperson, Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University.

The event was organized in Makerere University by the College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal Health and Biosecurity (COVAB) and AFRUS –IDM SUMMER SCHOOL.

Dr Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka had the honor of presenting the topic "Integrating Conservation and Public Health to Promote Sustainable Dvelopment." She had the opportunity to speak about the work of Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH) at Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, Queen Elizabeth National Park and Pian Upe Wildlife Reserve in Karamoja, Eastern Uganda.



Dr. Gladys talking about expanding the approach to Eastern Uganda. Group photo at Pian Upe Wildlife Reserve.

#### **CTPH GLOBALLY**

Conservation Through Public Health (CTPH) Founder and CEO, Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka was invited to India and USA to speak about the work of CTPH

#### **Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars**

On 14th October 2014, in a seminar held at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, in Washington DC, on "Scaling Up or Expanding Out: Integrated Development Programs Work to Expand Conservation and Health Efforts in Uganda and Madagascar," Conservation Through Public Health's Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka and Blue Ventures' Caroline Savitzky discussed the challenges and opportunities they have faced working with growing integrated Population Health and Environment (PHE) programs in Uganda and Madagascar. These challenges simultaneously address biodiversity conservation, climate change, environmental degradation, population, and poverty alleviation, as they are inextricably linked in many parts of the world. The Wilson Center's Director, Roger-Mark De Souza, spoke about Population, Health and Environment (PHE) in the broader context of resilience, and the potential for reframing it to enable scaling up or expanding out. The seminar generated a lot of discussion particularly on securing funding for scaling up PHE programs.

More at http://www.wilsoncenter.org/staff/dr-gladys-kalema-zikusoka; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X1XVDED-sME

#### **Population Action International and Senate Briefing**

On 14th October 2014, Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka was hosted by A. Tianna, a Climate and Population Associate from Population Action International (PAI). Dr. Gladys presented on CTPH and it's outcomes on family planning and reproductive health at the PAI offices in an informational session with the International Family Planning Coalition. On 15th October 2014, PAI arranged for Dr. Gladys to give a Senate Briefing with officers working in environment and global health.

#### Wings World Quest Women of Discovery Forum

On the 17th of October 2014, Dr Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka participated in a forum that supports extraordinary women explorers hailing from North and South America, Europe, Africa and Asia. Having received the 2011 Women of Discovery Wings World Quest Humanity Award, she was invited to a forum where the Wings Fellows presented short talks on their explorations and discoveries. She spoke about "Gorilla Conservation Through Public Health." The forum was held at the prestigious Explorers Club, where Dr. Gladys became a member in 2013. Dr Gladys was also hosted by the Explorers Club President and his wife, Alan and Becky Nicols who had visited CTPH in Bwindi and tracked the gorillas together with her in February 2014, and the Explorers Club Director, Will Roseman.

#### Mississippi State University

On 21st October 2014, Dr. Gladys gave a presentation at the College of Veterinary Medicine, Mississippi State University on "Conservation Through Public Health: Potential Collaborations or Synergies with MSU." She was hosted by Professor Bill Epperson, Professor Margaret Khaitsa and Professor Skip Jack, and Jodi Richardson, a College of Veterinary Medicine 3rd year student who visited Uganda earlier in the year through a partnership with Makerere University College of Veterinary Medicine animal Resources and Biosecurity (COVAB).



Dr Gladys with Prof Khaitsa, Prof Epperson, Prof Jack and student, Jodi Richardson from Mississippi State University College of Veterinary Medicine

#### **Ashoka**

Dr. Gladys presented at Ashoka ("a global organization that identifies and invests in leading social entrepreneurs") offices in Virginia on "Scaling Up Integrated Conservation and Health Programs Within and Beyond Uganda." Dr. Gladys, CTPH Founder and CEO became an Ashoka Fellow in 2007, for merging Uganda's wildlife management and rural public health programs to create common benefits for both people and animals. She was hosted by Ashoka Vice President, Global Marketing, Bev Schwartz and had the opportunity to meet the staff from Ashoka and Changemakers.

#### **United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)**

On the 23rd of October 2014, CTPH Founder and CEO, Dr. Kalema-Zikusoka Gladys invited to present in the Wildlife Without Borders Brown Bag Series at United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), where she gave a presentation on "Promoting Conservation Through An Integrated Gorilla and Human Health Approach" with highlights on the work supported by USFWS since 2005 through their Great Apes Conservation Fund (GACF), both at Bwindi Impenetrable Forest and Virunga National Parks.



from USFWS

We are very grateful to USFWS for all the support and most recent funding to CTPH to expand the integrated gorilla and human health model to the indigenous Batwa pygmy communities of Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, SW

## Students Conference in Conservation Science (SCCS) - Bangalore,

Dr. Gladys was among 300 of Africa and Asia's brightest conservation researchers who attended the Students Conference in Conservation Science in Bangalore, India (SCCS-Bangalore). It was her first visit to India, where she was hosted by fellow 2009 Whitley Award winner, Dr Madhusudan from Nature Conservation Foundation working in the Western Ghats with elephants and tigers, and Dr Ravi Chellam, Chair of the Organizing Committee of SCCS-

Bangalore. Dr. Gladys gave a plenary "Promoting presentation on Conservation Through Health In And Around Protected Areas In Africa. "Students were interested in learning more about the approach, and an NGO, Save The Tiger First, would like to adopt the CTPH model where they work in India. It was impressive to see so many women conservation scientists from Asia. She also held a workshop on "Building Support for Conservation from Different Sectors."

To listen to the presentation, which was also live streamed, visit http:// www.sccs-bng.org/2014/plenaries/ promoting-conservation-throughhealth-in-and-around-protectedareas-in-Africa



Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka (circled) in a group photo with other participants in the conference

#### **Vinod and Saryu Doshi Foundation**

In Mumbai, India, Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka was hosted by Mrs. Rohita Doshi and gave a presentation entitled "Still in the Mist: Dr. Gladys and the Mountain Gorillas" at the Vinod and Saryu Doshi Foundation, friends of MARASA who are supporting CTPH in the "Intimate Gorilla Experience" with *Premier Safaris*. The lectures were held at the National Gallery of Modern Art in Mumbai. Dr. Gladys presented with the President of the *Wildlife Conservation* 

Trust, Dr. Anish Andheira, who as a lecturer, spoke of the similarities of conservation issues in India and Uganda. The presentation generated a significant amount of interest to visit the mountain gorillas in Uganda.

The second presenter was Dr. Devra Davis who won the Nobel Peace Prize with Al Gore, for promoting environmental health. Dr Davis wrote a book called <u>Disconnect</u> regarding the dangers of mobile phone radiation. Her discussant was Juhi Mehta, a famous Bollywood star, who has been advocating for this issue in India and has tracked the gorillas at Bwindi. This was put in the local newspaper, *The Mumbai Mirror*.



Dr. Gladys with Mrs Rohita Doshi, Juhii Mehta, Mrs Saryu Doshi and Dr. Debra Davis during the Lecture series held at National Gallery of Modern Art, Mumbai

#### Stephen Rubanga's visit to India

Our field programme coordinator and veterinary technician Mr Stephen Venny Rubanga lighting fire - the symbol of Bala Vikasa community of India! This was when he was talking to 1500 orphans and mothers who are being supported by Bala Vikasa financially to attain their higher education.





British Veterinary Association Conference Gala Dinner

Dr Gladys with mentors Professors John and Margaret Cooper, and fellow Royal Veterinary College graduate, Dr Molly Varga, and Dr Anthony Chadwick, Founder of Webinar Vet who are fundraising for CTPH and the Health and Gorilla Conservation Center, at British Veterinary Association Conference Gala Dinner.

#### **MORE RECOGNITION IN UGANDA**

#### **Footmarks Book Launch**

Mrs. Goretti Bamwanga published a book called Footmarks featuring 87 outstanding women in Uganda of all ages, who have left a mark on Ugandan society. CTPH Founder and CEO, Dr. Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka along with her mother, Hon. Rhoda Kalema, first woman member of Parliament in Uganda, was featured.



With Hon Rhoda Kalema and Hon Miria Matembe, advocate for women's rights

## Dr Gladys Kalema-Zikusoka appointed Chairperson of the first ever Buganda Heritage and Tourism Board

In March of 2014, CTPH's Dr Gladys Nalubowa Kalema-Zikusoka was appointed the Chairperson of Buganda Heritage and Tourism Board, tasked by the Kabaka, King of Buganda, to revive the glory of the tourism sector in Buganda Kingdom.

Other major roles of the board include the establishment of management policies in running the royal tombs of Buganda. Most significantly, the Kasubi and Wamala royal tombs because of

their significance as the home of the ancestral fathers. Dr. Gladys will also be responsible for appointing technical staff and controlling income and expenditure of the heritage sites. Like Bwindi Impenetrable National Park, home to half of the world's critically endangered mountain gorillas, Kasubi Tombs are also a World Heritage Site symbolizing the rich cultural heritage of Buganda. The Board will administer and promote tourism in Buganda where they are tasked to locate all the historical

places of Buganda and to protect and preserve them for the future.

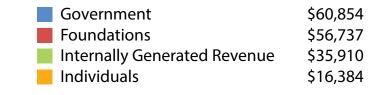
While orienting the Board at the Buganda Kingdom offices in Bulange, Mengo, Prime Minister, Katikkiro Charles Peter Mayiga noted that it was an historical moment for the history of the Buganda people. Mr. Katikkiro further emphasized the importance of protecting, preserving and conserving the heritage sites and exploiting the full potential of tourism in Buganda.

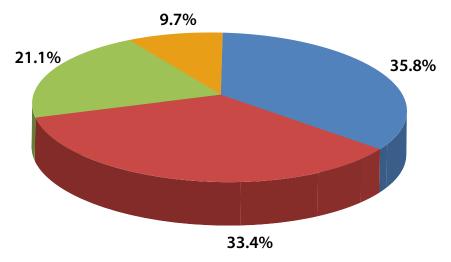


Dr. Gladys with the newly appointed Buganda Heritage and Tourism Board with Buganda Prime Minister, Katikkiro Charles Peter Mayiga, Prince David Wasajja, Buganda Minister of State for Tourism, Owekitibwa Rita Kisitu and other Ministers from Buganda Government

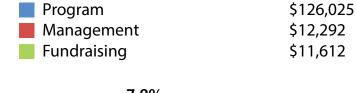
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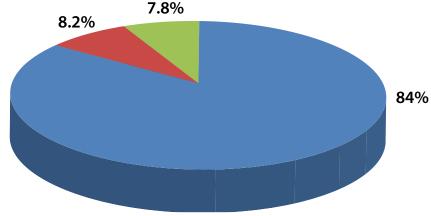
#### TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE \$169,885





#### TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE \$149,929





Dr. Gladys and the entire staff of Conservation Through Public Health would like to extend sincere thanks to all those who have supported the programs throughout Uganda. Without your generous donations of time, talent and treasure, none of this would be possible.



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