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*Partnerships in action for clean and safe water for Rwandans. Photo from USAID archives.*

# WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE ACTIVITY

## ISOKO Y'UBUZIMA

The overall goal of the Isoko y'Ubuzima (meaning “source of life” in Kinyarwanda) is to improve access to and utilization of safe, sustainable drinking water and sanitation services.

### STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- Improved WASH governance,
- Improved drinking water services, and
- Improved sanitation and hygiene products and services.

## EXPECTED RESULTS

- Increased access to water supply services for 120,000 people (approximately 24,000 households),
- Increased access to improved sanitation and hygiene services for 100,000 people (20,000 households), and
- Improved services for 96,000 people who already have access to basic water supply services.

## RESULTS ACHIEVED IN 2023

### Improved WASH governance:

- WASH Building Blocks assessment,
- Development of WASH Investment plans,
- Development of WASH climate-resilient strategy
- Capacity building of districts and government staff in NRW reduction, and
- Dissemination of the WASH Finance Strategy.

### Improved drinking water services:

- Detailed Water engineering designs for 10 districts,
- Water Supply System rehabilitated to enable 76,264 people to have clean and safe drinking water,
- District developed WASH Investment and Water Resource Management Plans, and
- Supported RURA to develop and operationalize a customer management system for rural water operators.

### Improved sanitation and hygiene products and services:

- Developed Social Behavior Change and Market-Based Sanitation and Hygiene strategy (2021-2026),
- 34,841 people gained access to basic sanitation services, and
- Established District Sanitation Center and Community Showrooms.

**BUDGET:** US \$21 million

### DURATION

July 2021 - July 2026

### ACTIVITY LOCATIONS

Kayonza, Kirehe, Ngoma, Nyagatare, Rwamagana, Nyanza, Nyamagabe, Ruhango, Nyabihu and Ngororero districts

### IMPLEMENTING PARTNER

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### KEY COUNTERPARTS

International Reference Centre for Community Water Supply, Vitens Evides International, and CARE International

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