



Our **Vision**: Uniting People and the Environment through compassion and mutual respect to invest in a sustainable way of life

Our **Mission**: We strive to put an end to land degradation by delivering conservation and education programs to cultivate enduring self reliance within remote communities in Tanzania

### **H1 2013 Report**

Our first 6 months have been characterised by a lot of hard work building the infrastructure of our organisation. In January of this year, Grassroots Tanzania, a not-for-profit company was inaugurated on the 22 Jan 2013 in Tanzania. Furthermore, with the help of Tobias, a short-term volunteer and IT expert, we have a fully functioning office, networked and working well. Thank you Tobias for your time and thank you too to Bill at HSBC for the fast working computer! Alongside our project office infrastructure, we have since built our online presence with our website [www.grassrootstz.org](http://www.grassrootstz.org), are active on Facebook (Grassroots Tanzania) and since the late end of June are fundraising online via our charity partner, SHOCC (Charity number 1120787) at <http://www.justgiving.com/Grassroots-Tanzania-2013>. Thank you SHOCC for helping us out in our early days!

### **Fundraising**

On the fundraising side, over USD 6,000 has been funded by the Directors and connected individuals to support our set up activity and fund operations in the first 6 months. A UK trip fundraising in May/June raised £724 (approximately TSH 1.6m) from private donations and events and we would like to thank all those involved. Locally, we received a book donation from Read International, a UK book charity, for English books which will be distributed to the 2 schools we support in the bush, Mwamagembe Primary School and Itumba Hill School. Furthermore, our beautiful retro donated Landcruiser awaits renovation.



Mwamagembe Primary School



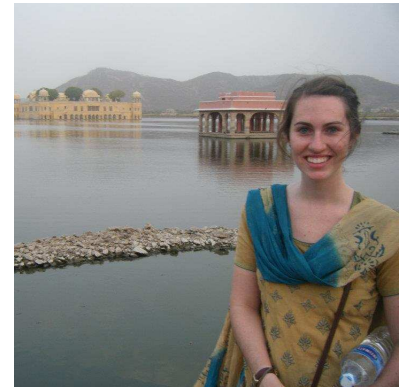
Donated vehicle awaiting renovations

## Operations

At our first site: Itumba Hill Singida, we have established permanent presence with 2 local staff at the farm. The site is cleared and ready for further activity in September when we will be installing a more reliable supply of water which will be essential for our nursery and to start building. With foundations already in place, the construction of the camp manager's house and store will also commence shortly. In addition at the farm, we have installed a small number of sting bee hives and hope to install more later this year, depending on our funding situation.

## The Grassroots Team

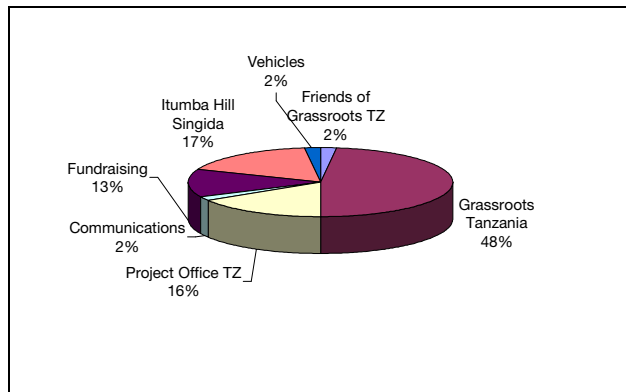
On the personnel side, we would very much like to welcome Lizzy Conley to the team. Lizzy is a recent graduate from University of Wisconsin-Madison in the U.S. Majoring in African Studies and Environmental Studies, she is eager to gain a lot of experience and new skills by assisting in the start up of this new organization. Fluent in Kiswahili and passionate about conservation, she is thrilled to be living and working in Tanzania. Lizzy is an American citizen and is Grassroots Tanzania's first overseas recruit. She is a volunteer serving as Intern/Assistant to the Directors. Karibu Sana!



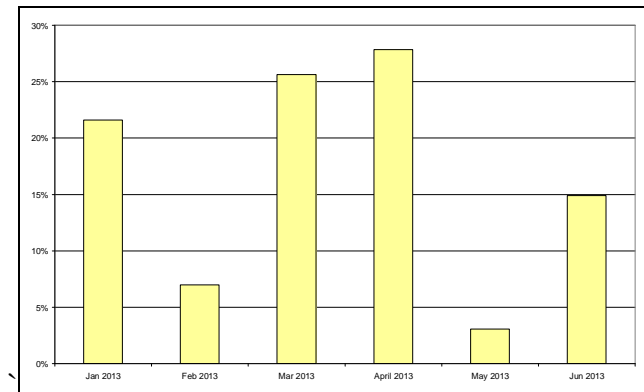
We continue to recruit for a volunteer Fundraising & Development Manager and shortly will be posting a new Business Development Manager role to help income generate. Please keep an eye on our website, Facebook page and [www.idealists.org](http://www.idealists.org) for further information.

## Finance (Expenditure)

H1 2013 Expenses by Category



H1 2013 Monthly Expenses (%)



Notes to expenses:

- \* Grassroots Tanzania category includes 1 time set up costs e.g. legal fees, website build
- % of US 7,030 (rounded)