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## **E-bike Ambulance.**

**Masaabi Charles, a VHT of Namagera village, Butagaya sub-county, Jinja District and a beneficiary of the e-bike ambulance, narrates his experience with the e-bike ambulance.**

"The e-bike Ambulance has transformed my life and that of the people in the community by offering an immediate access to the health center.

Previously, It was not easy for me to offer tangible aid to some community members because I had a simple manual bicycle. At one point I was in a daze when I found a pregnant mother trying to find her way to the health center but she had no money at all for transport, with my weak bicycle I couldn't think twice about helping this lady. So I took her to the health but by the time I reached, I was extremely worn out and she was equally not in a good state.

Having the ambulance has made my work easy and also made me more relevant in the community. I can now reach out to many of them:

The ill, expecting mothers, HIV/AIDS patients, COVID19 patients, pregnant mothers among others. Since the people are aware of the e-bike, they always contact me when need arises.

**"My work is easy now. I feel more relevant in the community. Now number people are able to attain accessibility to the health center in times of need."**



**"This ambulance is amazing because it serves numerous purposes which wasn't the case with the previous bike."**

I encountered a scenario where a 19year old girl who was 7months pregnant had never visited the hospital. With the e-bike, I was able to transport her to Butagaya health center. However sadly, she tested HIV positive but lucky enough, she was able to immediately attain counseling and medication.

The ambulance has also increased my flexibility. I move around the village to visit individuals who may have missed their medical appointments especially those with HIV/AIDS, for purposes of offering them counseling and advice to continue receiving medication.

**I am delighted to say that the ambulance is doing a great job in the village. Thank you FABIO/EURIST for reaching out to the vulnerable people in communities**