

## **SUN Civil Society Network - Stories of Success**

### **Uganda Civil Society Coalition on Scaling up Nutrition (UCCO-SUN)**

Christine Muyama



When the District Nutrition Coordination Committees (DNCCs) were formed, Christine and her team at UCCO-SUN felt it was important to provide nutrition advocacy training to government officials in these newly established structures. The aim was to ensure that nutrition was being considered at the district level and included in the district level budget. Before being able to reach out to the DNCCs, UCCO-SUN had to get permission from the Prime Minister to do so. This process was facilitated by the fact that the Prime Minister is a nutrition champion, and his office coordinates the scaling up of nutrition in Uganda. Christine believes that it is crucial to invest in existing structures such as the DNCCs, because they can play a vital role in enabling the local delivery of nutrition initiatives continue when for the funding of international programmes may end.

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ZIRIPA MUKARWEGO



ZIRIPA MUKARWEGO was nominated as a local champion for nutrition during the SUN CSN international learning exchange in November 2016. Ziripa played a key role in mobilising her community to prepare for the exchange. During the event she shared her experience as a model farmer with members of civil society from 15 countries. Since the learning route other fellow farmers are now competing to become role models and Ziripa is also training other women in livestock management.