

**Community philanthropy:**

**The missing link between local communities and international development**

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**Abstract**

This paper is based on the premise that local populations' engagement in development processes is a key factor to increase chances of long lasting success. In this context, we present collaboration with community philanthropy organizations as a viable strategy for international development organizations to engage civil society in the advancement and sustainability of development goals. This is done by presenting an overview of the development sector, as well as the added-value of community philanthropy. Then practical lessons and challenges are drawn from stories of different community philanthropy and international development organizations that have experience working together.

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