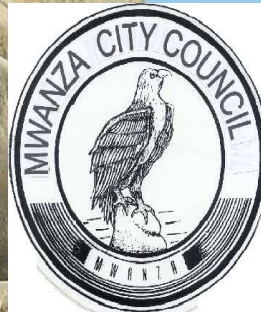




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**SERVICE DELIVERY: ENGAGING POOR COMMUNITIES IN SERVICE DELIVERY AS
PART OF POVERTY ERADICATION PROGRAM AND KEEPING THE CITY CLEAN**

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1.0 INTRODUCTION



Mwanza City Council is in Mwanza Region, Tanzania. It is the second largest city in Tanzania after Dar es Salaam and one of the fastest developing urban center in Sub-Saharan Africa.

It is situated on the spectacular Southern shores of Lake Victoria and was first established in 1892 as colonial business and administrative center for cotton production and collection in the Lake region/zone;

Since then it has grown in status; as a Town Council in 1953, as a Municipal Council in 1980; and in 2000 it was promoted to the status of a City Council by the then President Benjamin William Mkapa.

Population:

- 1948 = 11,300; 1957= 19,900; 1988 = 223,013
- 2002 = 476,646 (Males 238, 687 and Females 237,959).

Currently, as we wait for detailed 2012 National Census results to be published, the population is estimated at 800,000 based on National Population census of 2002 (growing at 3% per annum - natural growth).

ECONOMIC ERAS AND CHALLENGE OF UNEMPLOYMENT

- 1892 - 1970: Agricultural Era
- 1970 – 1990: Manufacturing Industry
(Textile)
- 1990 – 2000: Fishing Industry and Mineral
Exploration
- 2000 – to date: Trade and Commerce
(Declining of other industries: Challenge of
unemployment and increase in petty trading)



Economics activities:

Currently, The following are the main economic activities against labor force in percentage according to 2002 Census:-

–Agriculture	=	15.8%
–Commerce and trade	=	32.1%
–Fishing and fisheries	=	14.9%
–Public Administration and Education	=	9.6%
–Manufacturing (Mainly, agro-based)	=	5.8%
–Agricultural produce sales	=	4.4%
–Construction	=	4.4%
–Informal Sector	=	13.0%

ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGES: BALANCING BETWEEN NEEDS AND CHALLENGES

- When Mwanza was promoted to the status of a city in 2000, these were the main challenges:
 - Poor sanitation
 - Poor infrastructure
 - Lack of employment to the fastest growing population
 - Increase in Squatter settlement
 - Inadequate resources (Finance, staff and equipment)

INCREASE IN SQUATTER SETTLEMENT AS A RESULT OF RAPID INCREASE IN POPULATION



**DEVELOPING INFRASTRUCTURES: ENGAGING WOMEN AND YOUTH IN
CONSTRUCTION OF STONE-PAVED ROADS IN UN-PLANNED
SETTLEMENTS IN MWANZA**



ENGAGING WOMEN AND YOUTH IN CITY CLEANSING AND CITY BEAUTIFICATION





CENTRAL ROUND-ABOUT

For 9 years consecutively voted nationally as the
Cleanest City in Tanzania (2006 - 2014)



Photo: Central Round-about to depict City Beautification through
Community Participation



6. CLOSING REMARKS

As mentioned earlier in this presentation; Mwanza City is one of the fastest growing City in Sub-Saharan Africa. It experiences rapid increase in population due to urban pull; un planned settlement and income poverty among its citizenry. Still the local authority is challenged with inadequate resources and over-burdened resources.

It is our desire to use every support we can obtain so that we can eventually be able to provide our people with better services.

May I take this opportunity to thank you dear friends for seeing ‘friendship and cooperation’ in Mwanza City. We believe through Connective Cities Dialogue; we shall reach excellent heights of development as we share and exchange experiences and expertise in where service delivery and well-being of our citizens is concerned.

We have a saying in Tanzania that says ‘A FRIEND IN NEED IS A FRIEND INDEED’ .