

Trash to treasure project in Arusha region, empowering young people and women to transform paper waste into briquettes | Partnered with Global green grants.

The Climate Hub is collaborating with <u>Global Green Grants</u> to implement Trash to Treasure projects in the Arusha region to promote clean cooking. Trash to Treasure is a project aimed at reducing the level of paper waste in colleges and schools, while also providing sustainable income opportunities for young people and women by transforming waste into clean cooking briquettes (alternative charcoal) which are used by most African families as as alternative source of energy to cutting down trees for firewood and charcoal.

Twenty-eight young people were trained in the art of transforming paper waste into briquettes and were provided with the necessary resources and equipment for briquette production. The project emphasizes environmental sustainability by reducing organic waste, contributing to environmental sustainability, and strengthening community resilience and awareness about waste management and recycling.

This project underscores the idea that trash or waste can be transformed into a valuable resource, promoting both environmental conservation and socioeconomic empowerment within the community.