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Drilling the new well



Last week the well was drilled... and we struck water! Gushing, clean, safe, life-giving, life-changing water! The hard part is done- now we need your help to build-out the pump and tanks to access this amazing resource for the families of Tloma. To help us reach finish this project [Click to donate](#)

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After more than two years of work; fund raising, contracting for surveys, test drilling, bargaining, begging and praying, our dream for the families in Tloma is coming true. Last week the well was drilled and struck water. The well is 689 feet deep and the pressure test determined that we can pump almost 4000 gallons of water per hour with the well recharging underground at that same

rate (meaning we won't risk pumping it dry!). The Arusha water authority conducted an analysis of the water quality and certified it to pass all regulations for human consumption - it's clean and pure!

The well is located on a plot of land marked by the yellow rectangles on the map below. Tloma Giving arranged for the land purchase after the most recent site surveys indicated the likelihood of water. The site is close enough to the school to pipe supplemental water there when needed. The rest of the water will be sold to the local community with the money going to support all of the education, health, nutrition, and economic development issues most of you witnessed. Once the well and vending station are completed, we will have a revenue stream to support many of the things we've been fund raising for over the last two years.



Preparing the Celebration feast



Yes! This is a goat hanging from the tree... one that will be roasted as part of the celebration feast to bless the well and give thanks for successfully finding water. It's a tradition in Tanzania (and many parts of Africa) that a goat or lamb is roasted and shared by the village to mark important occasions. The successful drilling of this well is one that many families in Tloma will be celebrating for years to come. As the water flows, it will support health, nutrition, education and economic development for the future.

Next **steps**

We struck water!

The well is now capped with the water waiting until funds are raised for the next phase

Can you help us?

Children in Tloma are counting on us to finish the well

We've drilled and located the water, but as you can see in the photo above, the well now sits capped with all that pure, fresh water flowing underground. We raised the \$34,000 required to get this far, but we need an additional \$18,200 to build out the pump, storage tanks and pipes to the school. This will also cover the preparation of a driveway for water trucks to come, fill up and turn around. And it will cover the costs of bringing in electricity for the short-term, and solar for the future. While this next phase isn't as fun as striking water, it's the critical missing piece to make the

investment to date usable for the future. Will you help us?

We are so grateful to those who donated to the dream of the Tloma well and truly took a leap of faith! Now, success is just around the corner and we ask you to invest in what is no longer a "potential" well but one that is real, with water sitting there waiting to change the future. Remember, we are a registered 501c3 nonprofit and your donations are eligible for tax deductions. If you have questions about how your money would be used, please email us at:

TlomaGivingInfo@gmail.com

If you'd like to read more about how money from the water sales will be used, please go to our *NEW* updated website:

<https://tlomagiving.org/>

If you're ready to support this project, please use one of the following methods:

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Or mail a check payable to: **Tloma Giving** and send to:


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Thank you for helping the families of Tloma!

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