PREFACE

On behalf of Mufulira District, I wish to thank you for taking interest in learning about our district and its opportunities. The district offers an excellent package of abundant natural resources, modern infrastructure, social amenities, business houses and skilled labour to suit a variety of industrial, leisure and service opportunities.

Mufulira is historically a mining town whose Copper Ore deposits were discovered in 1922 which thereafter facilitated mining, agriculture as well as small and medium scale business development. The rapid growth of the district led to the establishment of a Municipal Board in 1953 and attainment of Municipal Status in 1957.

Consistent with its abundant resources and strategic location, favorable market conditions are encouraging a high level of exploration of minerals in addition to agriculture and forest development.

Being a border town, Mufulira provides easy access to the Congo D.R markets and is a viable alternative to Luapula and Northern Provinces.

The residents of Mufulira are supportive of economic development that supports job creation provides and better services to its community

Thank you for taking interest in Mufulira. For more information contact Mufulira Municipal Council.

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Map of Mufulira District
## GENERAL PROFILE OF MUFULIRA

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OVERVIEW OF MUFULIRA

Mufulira District proudly acclaims itself as the ‘Place of Abundance’, which is evidenced by the rich mineral deposits, numerous perennial and seasonal streams, forest reserves and fertile soils. Mufulira derives its name from the Lamba word “ukufula” meaning smelting. It is said when the white man arrived he found the Lamba’s smelting copper. Asked what they were doing they said “ukufula” hence the name given to Mufulira District. Although the district is highly dependent on copper mining, the district’s vision is to diversify its economy by promoting the agriculture sector.

Vision

Based on the 2017 – 2022 District Development Plan the vision statement is “To have a District of abundance, prosperity, integrity and high standard of living by 2030.”

District Administration

The District Administration is two tier firstly comprising of Office of the District Commissioner who is the government head of the district and secondly the Local Authority headed by the Town Clerk as the chief executive and the Mayor who is the civic head. All the three leaders of the district share a common goal which is targeted at promoting stakeholder participation from all sectors to ensure a diversified economy in the district’s development agenda.

DEMOGRAPHY

- Mufulira is largely cosmopolitan in character.
- In addition to a variety of Zambian tribes, there are also foreign nationals from the Democratic Republic of Congo as well as Europeans, Asians and South Africans.
According to the 2010 Population and Housing Census and 2012 Summary Report, the Population of Mufulira District stands at 162,889 with an average annual population growth rate of 1.2%.

The population is segregated as 81,355 males being 49.9% and 81,534 females being 50.1% of the population (Central Statistical Office, 2012).

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<td>72,526</td>
<td>149,593</td>
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<td>2000</td>
<td>72,526</td>
<td>71,404</td>
<td>143,930</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>81,355</td>
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**NATURAL RESOURCES**

Mufulira Forest Reserve
Mufulira district is well wooded with savannah type of vegetation and has abundant forest land in the southern part namely Kasaria, Mufulira and Ngala Forest Reserves. The generally fertile soil support natural forests with potential for Agriculture and Agro-forestry growth. However, south of the district soils tend to be loose, sandy and acidic.

WATER BODIES

KAFUE RIVER

- The district serves as a passage for the Kafue River which is the second largest river in the country.
- There are a number of tributaries in the district which have the potential to:
- Provide an opportunity for hydro and thermal power generation and expanding the recreation sector.
- Improve aquaculture production
- The Kafue River & Mufulira Stream
- Irrigation
  - (e.g. Musakashi Irrigation Scheme)
- Hydro power
  - Possible hydro power station
  - The Mufulira Stream

TOURISM

- Mufulira Central School – First Republic President taught was a school teacher
- Residential place for first Republican President
- Residential place for late president Patrick Mwanawasa in Kansuswa
- The mysterious lake in Murundu
  *(The bottomless dam)*
- The first siting of copper deposits in Kankoyo
- The 1970 Mufulira Mine Disaster Site
- The Kafironda Explosion
MUFULIRA DISTRICT INVESTMENT PROFILE

ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

MINING

- Mufulira is rich in copper ore deposits
- Copper mining accounts for the majority of the District’s earnings and is the main employer
- Potential mineral deposits in the district still show that there are large copper reserves in the district with a life span of over 70 years (Mopani Copper Mines)

AGRICULTURE

Agriculture in the district is still a growing sector therefore, cash crop farming as one of the major farming activities is being harnessed by the introduction of Climate Smart Agricultural Practices, Fertilizer Input Support Programmes as well as irrigation farming such as the Musakashi Irrigation Scheme.
Livestock is an upcoming business opportunity for small scale farmers. Based on a report by the Department of Agriculture, farmers have ventured into rearing cattle, sheep, goats, pigs and poultry which seem to have a good local market. The strength of the sector lies in the fact that the market is readily available, infrastructure is already in place and disease prevalence in the district is relatively low which offers tremendous opportunities for growth of the sector.

The presence of a Milk Collection Centre located near the Town Centre has boosted dairy farming and is run by the Mufulira Dairy Cooperative Union. Milk collected from the centre is sold to processing companies such as Parmalat who process the milk into finished products such as pasteurised packaged milk, cheese and yoghurt.

The abundant water bodies in the district provide the district an opportunity to develop the sector. There is a growing number of farmers who have adopted fish pond farming in the district and the available market has made it a fast growing business.
The government and the Local Authority have invested in transport infrastructure which has led to the tarring of major urban roads and grading of peri urban roads.

The District has a total tarred road network of 106.019 kilometres. Of these, 7.460km are urban roads, 85.109km are peri-urban roads inclusive of the Mufulira-Ndola road. The district has closer road access to the under construction Copperbelt International Airport.

Mufulira Town being a border district shares international boundaries with the Congo D.R. and further connects the Copperbelt Province to the northern region via the Pedicle Road which is a shorter transit route making it a preferred route by transporters to the northern regions of the country as compared to the Great North Road. This increases opportunity for trade with Luapula and Northern Provinces as well as cross border trade with the Democratic Public Congo. Mokambo Border Post is stationed to ensure security in the country. The local markets in the districts include Buteko, Malela, Kamuchanga, Top shops, Chibolya, Kawama East, Kawacha and

Newly constructed Chibolya Road

WHY INVEST IN MUFULIRA?

EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE
Kamuchanga modern markets. Also there is a mall under construction along the Mufulira – Sabina Road.

- Mufulira hosts a wide range of housing including government and privately owned residential houses, commercial and office buildings.
- The hospitality industry is still at its infancy stage with a few lodges and guest houses located near the central business district. An area has been designated for the construction of a hotel near the entrance of Mufulira.
- The district has a good piped network supplying water and sewerage services to the urban residents and is currently under the ownership of Mulonga Water and Sewerage Company. Boreholes have been constructed for the residents located in the peri-urban areas which have been funded by both the government and non-governmental organisations.

- Electricity is supplied by Zesco Limited and Copperbelt Energy Corporation (CEC) to power residential, commercial and mining entities.
- Mufulira hosts branches of some of the reputable Banks which include Barclays Bank, Atlas Mara, FNB, Stanbic Bank, Zanaco, Zambia Building Society and NatSave and 2 lending institutions.
HEALTH:
The district is striving to provide adequate health care to cater for the district’s growing population. There are currently 25 health institutions consisting of 14 government health facilities, 2 health posts, 6 Mopani Copper Mine owned facilities, 2 private clinics and 1 surgery.

EDUCATION:
Mufulira District has 94 educational institutions comprising of 32 public primary schools, 15 Secondary Schools (that include the newly upgraded primary schools into secondary statuses), 20 Community Schools, 22 Registered Private Schools and 2 Registered Private Colleges of Education – Mufulira Professional and Maldec, 1 Skills Centre (School for Continuing Education), 1 public College of Education – the Mufulira College of Education and 1 educational unit at the Mufulira Correction Centre (Prisons). Most available urban public schools have conducive infrastructure and are well accessible to school goers.

RECREATION AND HOSPITALITY:
There are several recreation facilities such as Pala Park, Mufulira Boating Club, Rugby Club, Tennis Club, Theatre Club, Squash Club, Football Stadiums, Emabo Recreation Centre, CopaCabana, Zute Gardens, Cricket Club, Kalis Mess, Eagle Motel, Davincci Motel, Solwezi Lodge, Ketric Lodge, Green Yard Executive Lodge, Maldec Executive Lodge, Ayana Lodge and Miye Guest House.
Mufulira district has abundant natural and exotic forestry species. The generally fertile soils, wooded vegetation and numerous water bodies contribute to the dynamic biodiversity of the district. The district serves as a passage for the Kafue River which is the second largest River in the country. The vast water sources provide an opportunity for hydro and thermal power generation while the natural forests create opportunities for game reserves and expanding the recreation sector. The volume of the streams has immersed over the years and if properly harnessed can improve aquaculture production. Each agricultural block has at least a reliable stream. The catch in fishponds is in the range of 9kg to 15kg per area.

The natural vegetation could be used to enhance bee keeping for honey production which has not been fully exploited in the district. There is high potential for beekeeping in the district. Currently there are three beekeeping groups although there have been no recordings of how many tones have been harvested so far.
Furthermore, the district has sufficient land for future expansion in Housing, Roads, Infrastructure, Forestry and Industrial sectors. Currently, of the 163,700 hectares of land in Mufulira, 34,811 hectares has been reserved for forestry, 20,764.35 hectares for agriculture 87,060.5 ha is reserved for future development.

**MANUFACTURING**

The formal private sector in the district is represented by companies, which consist of engineering, manufacturing and commercial enterprises.

Some of the reputable manufacturing companies include African Explosives (explosives for use in mining); Mopani Copper Mines, Olympic Milling (maize meal), Mataba Milling, Kankoyo Breweries (opaque beer) and Chibuluma bakery. The district is also encouraging the formation of small and medium sized businesses by opening up land specifically for industrial and commercial entities.
INVESTMENT INCENTIVES

In order to encourage investment in the district, the government has maintained the following agriculture incentives to spur sector investment and growth:

- Zero rating agriculture products and supplies when exported
- Income Tax rate of 10%
- Reduced Customs Duty at 5% on pre-mixes, being vitamin additives for animal feed
- Farm improvement allowance at 100% on fencing, brick or stone wall and an allowance of K10,000.00 for farm occupied by farm workers
- Property transfer tax rate on land sales of 5%
- Customs duty is not levied on green houses and rose seedlings.
- Government has simplified licensing procedures, created favourably investment environment and placed minimum constraints on mining activities.
- Duty free importation of most capital equipment for mining sector
- 100% deduction on capital expenditure on buildings, railway lines, equipment, shaft sinking or any similar works

DOING BUSINESS IN MUFULIRA

In order to undertake business in Mufulira, the following requirements are to be met.

1. COMPANY FORMATION AND REGISTRATION

   The Company's Act Cap 388 governs the registration of companies in Zambia. Registration is done at the Patents and Companies Registration Office. Any two or more persons can incorporate a company under the Company’s Act. The persons will be required to submit the following documents:

   Application for name clearance, in order to avoid use of an existing or similar name
2. THE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

The Zambia Development Act No. 11 of 2006 provides for investment incentives and investment guarantees. Applications for a certificate of registration should be submitted to the Zambia Development Agency, a statutory body mandated by government to foster economic development through the promotion and facilitation of investment and international trade. The documents required to support an application for an Investment Certificate include:

- Copy of Certificate of Incorporation, issued by the Registrar of Companies
- Certificate of Share capital
- Official list of shareholders / directors
- Proof of finance (audited financial statements, certificate of deposit at bank or latest bank statement)
- Detailed Business Plan
- Proof of having secured a place / land to operate from (Lease Agreements or Title Deed or Letter of Offer)

Applications for a Certificate of Registration in some sectors of the Economy require proof that applications for subsidiary permits from relevant institutions or ministries have been lodged.

3. EMPLOYMENT LICENCES / PERMITS

The following employment licenses and permits are required in all sectors of the economy;
**Investors Permit**

- Immigration Headquarters are responsible for issuance of Investor’s Permits to deserving foreign investors. An application for the permit should be supported by the following documents:
  - Two passport-size photos
  - Bank statement
  - Valid copy of the company’s certificate of incorporation
  - Copy of the certificate of registration issued by the Zambia Development Agency

**Employment permit**

Immigration Headquarters, may issue employment permits after an investor submits the following documents:

- Certified copy of the applicant's highest education qualification and any other additional qualifications and certificate of employment from previous employers;
- Letter from the prospective employer explaining steps taken to employ Zambian citizens to fill the vacancy

Zambia Development Agency (ZDA): It is a government agency which is responsible for investment promotion in Zambia. It provides information on investment opportunities available, incentives offered and scrutinizes foreign investment offers.

4. **LAND CONSIDERATIONS**

Land in Mufulira district is administered by Mufulira Planning Authority and is generally state owned. Mufulira Municipal Council under the Urban and Regional Planning Act No. 3 of 2015 of the laws of Zambia holds delegatory powers to administer all land within the district. However, this excludes land which is administered under the Mines and Minerals Act of Zambia.

There are various categories of land use in the district. These include;
Mine land, which is administered under the Mines Act through the Department of Mines. This category is concentrated in Butondo, Kankoyo and North Mutundu where most of the mining activities and plants are located.

Residential land; divided into High, Medium and Low Cost

Commercial land; situated in the main CBD and residential neighbourhoods

Industrial land; located 1km from the main CBD

Parks and open spaces; vacant and recreational spaces

Schools; primary, secondary and tertiary

Churches; mainly Christianity

Agricultural land; comprising of gardens, smallholdings and farms most of which are located in the peripheries of the district