

QUARTERLY REPORT APRIL-JUNE 2021 TONY WAITE ORGANISATION

INTRODUCTION

Tony Waite Organisation is Private Voluntary Organisation which operates in Kariba urban and rural. The organisation' mission is to create a knowledgeable, empowered community where people are able to support each other in HIV AIDS, non-communicable diseases, pandemics and other developmental issues. The organisation therefore coordinates with other stakeholders and partners in Kariba and beyond in program formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation which helps in the effectiveness and efficiency of programs as there is diverse perspectives invested before a program is implemented. Tony Waite Organisation therefore, works hand in glove with the community through its trained community carers who provides adherence support to people living with life threatening conditions including HIV and AIDS, Cancer, TB, Asthma and diabetes among other chronic conditions as well as Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC). Tony Waite Organisation also boosts in its community linkage to service providers which has seen women benefiting from the economic strengthening projects supported by Zimbabwe Women's Micro Finance Bank.

PROJECT TARGET

The organisation envisions a holistic and robust service to the community whereby men and women, boys and girls have equal access to services despite gender or ethnicity. The Organisation through the Gender Transformative Approach ensures that different gender groups have equal access to productive resources and it seeks to address norms and values which have placed women and girls at socio-economic disadvantage and susceptible to economic deprivation and HIV AIDS, Gender Based Violence among other social evils. Tony Waite also implements programs using the community systems approach whereby the already existing community structures are utilised for program relevance and sustainability. The organisation also employs the Actor Oriented Approach in its programme and projects implementation so that projects and programme beneficiaries rationality is considered. The main focus of the projects are mainly to enhance people's access to services and information to improve their household income, nutrition and engage them as active participants in development.

OBJECTIVES

- To identify needy children through community volunteers
- To improve household income, food security and health
- To provide adherence support to clients
- To provide comprehensive scholastic support and psychosocial support
- To coordinate with other stakeholders.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

C&HBC, Life skills training, M and E of livelihood projects, Support group and youth club meetings, Coordination meetings, outreach for hard to reach areas, Marketing of Kapenta, distribution of IEC materials, in school outreaches, Livelihoods stakeholder review

SERVICES OFFERED TO OVC

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Number of new OVC provided with school related assistance	1	1	2
Number of OVC provided with school fees	26	38	64
Number of OVC continuing to be provided with school related assistance	456	548	1 004
Number of new OVC provided with medical support	0	0	0
Number of OVC started on ART	0	0	0
Number of OVC continuing on ART	61	68	129
Number of new OVC provided with nutritional support	4	6	10
Total number of OVC continuing to be provided with nutritional support	838	895	1 697
Number of OVC provided with PSS/counseling	24	28	52
Number of OVC receiving life skills	259	342	601
Number of OVC receiving orientation in care giving skills	250	300	550

Number receiving child rights education	164	185	349
Number of OVC assisted to acquire birth certificates	2	1	3

CLIENTS SEEN ON HBC

NEW CLIENTS SEEN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
BED RIDDEN	1	1	2
AMBULATORY	2	1	3
WORKING	0	3	3
TOTAL NEW	3	5	8
TOTAL CLIENTS SEEN			
BED RIDDEN	2	2	4
AMBULATORY	5	5	10
WORKING	74	147	219
TOTAL SEEN	81	154	235
CLIENTS SEEN ON ART	73	145	218
NUMBER OF DEATHS	1	5	6
CARE GIVERS AT HOUSEHOLD LEVEL	25	30	55
FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE	1	48	49
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN	22	24	46
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART	22	24	46
HOME VISITS CHILDREN	69	67	136
HOME VISITS ADULTS	211	374	585

TOTAL HOME VISITS	280	411	721

1 IDENTIFICATION OF NEEDY COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The organisation through trained community carers is continuing to identify orphans and vulnerable children in need of care and support including those who are in need of birth certificates, legal and food assistance. During the month trained community carers have continued to identify children who are in need of nutritional support and palliative care.

2. TO IMPROVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME, FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH

RESILIENT FAMILY PROGRAMME BY ZIMBABWE WOMEN'S MICRO FINANCING BANK

Following a wave of novel COVID-19 pandemic which has bedeviled the whole world at large, vulnerability has been exacerbated especially by closure of inland borders, intercity travel and most importantly the closure of the tourism industry which is the main industry in Kariba. A considerable number of people lost their jobs and livelihoods stumbled to the COVID-19 induced lockdown. Tony Waite Organisation contacted a baseline survey in different wards of Kariba District using Focus group discussions and participant observation to determine the extent of damage on the community by the lockdown restriction. With women constituting bigger number of participants during the survey they shared that they depended much on their neighboring country Zambia where they crossed to trade or buy small items for their stalls however with the closure of boarders they were left without option but to use the capital for family upkeep. Intercity travel ban has affected flow of money in the market It is therefore after the organisation has shared the findings with other local key stakeholders that the Ministry of Women's Affairs Small and Medium Enterprise Development has recommended the organisation to Zimbabwe Women's Micro Finance Bank to partner towards Economic Strengthening Projects for women in Kariba urban. The determination of the partnership is to build resilience in the face of the pandemic as well as to enhance their meaningful participation in development and enjoyment of human rights.

See photos of Zimbabwe Women's Microfinance Bank Credit Officer visit



Zimbabwe Women's Micro-Finance Bank (ZWMB) Project Assessment and Handover Ceremony

After the assessments ZWMB and Tony Waite Organisation organized for a handover ceremony for the stakeholders to witness the event. A total of 11 stakeholders attended the

event as well as 1 board member. Among the stakeholders who attended the ceremony were Municipality of Kariba, Kariba AIDS Project, Ministry of Women's Affairs Small Medium and Enterprises Development, Pastors Fraternity, president office, women's coalition of Zimbabwe World Vision, and Labour. However, due to technicalities beyond control the handover of the feeds and chickens failed to take place and stakeholders left while beneficiaries remained polishing up their applications. Therefore, the beneficiaries received their feeds, drinkers, feeders and chickens on 16 June and 23 June respectively. A big handover could not be rearranged due to Covid 19 lockdown restrictions. ZWMB paid a total of ZWL 809 156.25 for 1175 chicks. The amount also covered for chemicals, drinkers and feeders. The pictures below are the handover ceremony with stakeholders in attendance before Covid 19 lockdown. Pictures below shows project assessment by ZWMB Credit Officers and TWO Programmes Officer.



Arrival and registration

Stakeholders

Ms Vengere opening remarks Ms Jaiwa giving closing remark



Women empowerment projects feeds and drinkers distribution

A total of 6 groups involving 35 households benefiting a total of 207 (110M 97F) among them 60 (35M 25F) are children received chicks, feeders, drinkers and chemicals. Among the groups which benefited are 5 member Tatenda group from ward 1 receiving 200 chicks, Tashinga Money with 6 members ward 2 with 150 chicks, a 6 member Unique group from ward 3 with 175 chicks, Kubudirira a 5 member group from ward 3 with 100 chicks, Kukunda kwemadzimai a 5 member group from ward 1 with 150 chicks and Kuwirirana group from ward 4 Mahombekombe 9 member group with 450 chicks. The pictures below show groups receiving their poultry feeders, drinkers and chemicals. All groups managed to provide their own transport to transport feed and feeders to their respective business addresses.

Tashinga Money

Unique group

Kubudirira group Kuwirirana group

Tatenda Group



Group members receiving chicks.

Tatenda Unique Kukunda Group Tashinga group



Internal Savings and Lending including Business Management.

The trained 2 ISAL groups with 13 female members have continued hitting the ground running. They have continued with savings and some have managed to produce some fruits to admire. A woman from women in business group has managed to procure a 2-basket chest freezer which she is using to store sausages, drinks and other relish for resale and during an interview with the Programmes Officer she highlighted that she has become a meaningful participant in family upkeep. Women living with chronic conditions in ward 2 have highlighted that they are enjoying the savings as they are now able to have decent meals and they are being able to replicate their projects as well as continuing with their savings. Tashinga Money Group has also been supported with a chicken pen to prepare them for the chicken rearing project supported by Zimbabwe Women's Micro Finance Bank. *The pictures below show activities of Tashinga Money Group during the quarter.*

Group savings meeting

chicken pen supported by TWO



Goat rearing project

A total of 4 goat rearing projects are being supported by Tony Waite Organisation benefiting a total of 32 (5M 27F). One of projects is for People with Disabilities (Tariro Hupenyu Disability Support Group) in Chidyamugwamu which started with 10 goats now has 17 goats with some goats expecting to give birth. The group is expecting to start selling the goats when they get to 30 so that they can pay fees for their children and family support. Other groups in Manhanga and Siakobvu are continuing.

Chidyamugwamu Chitate group



Piggery project

There are notable developments with the piggery project. The project is expanding into other projects as it has managed to give birth to poultry and hardware. The beneficiary through guidance from the Programmes Officer, entrepreneurship and sustainable project management skills he gained at University to run his projects is sustainably managing the project. The skills are manifesting through diversification of the project into other businesses. Through savings the beneficiary managed to start a hardware business at Bukuta Shopping Centre. He added that since he started his project he has disjointed himself from his guardian's place where he grew up and is now lodging for himself and is managing to pay shop rentals and rates, support his wife and child.

Chicken rearing projects

The economic strengthening project of the organisation also includes 4 indigenous poultry projects in Kariba rural and urban respectively. 2 chicken rearing projects in Kariba Rural in Manhanga and Siakobvu respectively and 2 in Kariba urban ward 2 are being supported. Virtual monitoring for the projects in Rural is continuing as well as assistance from a rehab technician at Siakobvu Hospital Mrs Machinga. All of the projects are hitting the ground running and notable achievements are noticeable. Members of the projects in ward 2 of Kariba urban are selling eggs, chicks and cocks and the proceeds are channeled towards finishing their houses. *See pictures below for the projects.*



NUTRITIONAL GARDENS

Tony Waite Organisation is supporting 4 nutritional gardens which are Padare Garden for People living with HIV, Orphans and Vulnerable Children, ZIHOPFE garden in Ward 2 of Nyamhunga as well as Charara garden for people living with HIV as well as a garden for Orphans and Vulnerable Children at Charara Primary School. During the month there was little activity n the gardens especially at Charara garden for People living with HIV and the one at the primary school. Members of Charara garden are harvesting sweet potato and also starting nursing vegetables. During the reporting period one of the members highlighted that the members have contributed for ploughing the garden using a tractor for the soil is muddy and difficult to plough using hoes therefore they negotiate with the farm owner to provide them with a tractor and they provide diesel. At Charara garden for OVC there is no activity following long closure of schools due to COVID-19 induced lockdown. At ZIHOPFE garden some members have continued with farming however other members are not utilising their land. The members were encouraged to increase their farming activities so that they archive the goal of improving their household income and nutrition. Members at Padare garden are harvesting sweet potato, during a monitoring visit the chairman of the garden highlighted that he always motivates other members to utilize all their land to avoid breeding of pests in the grass. He also highlighted that members are united and they are paying their electricity bills religiously so that their fence is always electrified during the night to deter animals from plundering their crops. Headed that he has taken horticulture as a livelihood which can also generate income the same way employment does. He also added that in a good day he can sell at least \$10.00 worth of farm produce. He highlighted that in 2021 farming season he had a bumper maize harvest which is enough for family consumption for the whole year. During an interview with another female farmer in the same garden she highlighted that despite being a single mother she is managing to look after her 3 children whom she is supporting scholastically as well as their everyday needs. She highlighted that she focuses on vegetables more than any other crop and she has also managed to create market from the local community as she grows healthy vegetables. *Padare garden*.



NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

A total of 15 (6M 9F) benefited from food assistance. Among them are 4 (0M 4F) infants benefiting from Lactogen milk formula. Some of the referrals were from the District Development Office.

families supported receiving groceries & Lactogen distribution



MEDICAL SUPPORT

A total of 980 (105M 885F)) were reached with SRHR information which led to a total of 63 (41M 22F) getting tested for HIV and knowing their statuses. The number for the quarter declined due to that there was level 4 lockdown in the quarter and physical meetings done by community carers could not be carried out.

Covid-19 education

Tony Waite Organisation has continued with COVID-19 education in the community and virtual platforms through its 2 Whatsup groups one for the youths with 77 participants and the other for stakeholders with 40 participants. Tony Waite Organisation also partnered with other stakeholders in Kariba to sensitize the community on infection control as Kariba recorded an

alarming number of cases which has seen the resort town placed under localized lockdown in June 2021.

During April the organisation managed to contact a cloth face mask designing, cutting and production training at Chalala fishing camp reaching a total of 30 (13M 17F) 15. The training also covered infection control mechanisms including maintaining social and physical distancing, correct and consistent wearing of face masks and sanitizing hands using approved sanitizers or using soap under running water. At Charara Estate outreach community members were reminded to observe the infection control measures put in place by Ministry of Health and Child Care which includes correct wearing of face masks, maintaining social and physical distancing, and avoiding handshakes. The team invigorated the community members on the lockdown regulations and wear their face masks correctly always. There has been reluctance among community members as they had assumption that Kariba is a hot region and corona virus cannot thrive. However the fact failed to hold enough water due to an upsurge of COVID-19 cases in Kariba. The pictures below show community members and kapenta fishing operators during the mask making training.



PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

A total of 4 (OM 4F) continued with infant feeding support with one on Lactogen 1 and three on Lactogen 2. The programmes officer periodically checks the growth curve of the children using the health cards of the children, all the children are growing well as indicated by their health cards.

The organisation has continued Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights education to the youths through the virtual platforms like Whatsup and facebook page although facebook page does not have many followers. A Whatsup group has a membership of 77 youths from Kariba and beyond. Topics discussed include drug and substance abuse, child marriages and informed decision making. The platform is proving to be youth friendly as the youths are feeling free to share some issues affecting them among them are high levels of unemployment. However the Programmes Officer contacted a baseline in the group to determine the seriousness of the youths in dealing with the challenge of unemployment. There was a very cold response as no single youth came up with an innovative business/ project idea which lacking funding. Therefore, there is need to continue educating the youths on sustainable low capital business ideas. Another group for stakeholders was also functional during the period under review where current Covid 19 updates and other information is shared. The organisation takes

advantage of being WCoZ member where more women are reached with information and this assures more education to children through parents.

KAPENTA FISHING AND MARKETING EXPANSION PROJECT

Tony Waite Organisation is running a Kapenta Fishing Processing and Marketing Project as well as the kapenta linkage project. Fishing takes place at Chalala and Marketing takes place in Kariba. The project aims to sustain the organisation and its programmes as well as increasing the organisation's income and revenue of the organisation.

A total of 24 (17M 7F) were employed under the kapenta project the number includes 12 (11M 1F) fishing crew, 4 (3M 1F) merchandisers and 4 (2M 2F) Admin staff and 5 (1M 4F) packers were employed.

Wet kapenta kapenta packing kapenta displayed in NR shop



Kapenta Linkage Grant

Tony Waite Organisation is running a kapenta linkage project funded by USADF which has a goal of increasing the organisation's income through increased fish and kapenta sales. To enhance sales and harvest output as well as creating an enabling environment for the business the organisation planned and executed 2 trainings which were attended by both organisation staff members and board members. The trainings were mainly focusing on business plan review and the marketing skills training. The business review training focused on revamping the business plan which has expired in 2020 so that it suits the present competitive digital age which is charecterised with stiff competition for markets. The marketing skills training was focusing on sharpening the organisation's business acumen so that the organisation gets real value out of its protein products. Fish buying and selling has continued as the organisation managed to increase its fresh fish supplies from different suppliers. The increased fresh fish supply has also seen the organisation managing to supply the product to its customers although the capacity is not enough to suffice the market. However, the organisation has been operating to gain customer confidence and test the waters and is strategically planning to evolve the project for break even. Expenses like blasting, local transport are outweighing profits therefore hope to improve when the construction of blast freezer and refrigerated truck are in place. Social marketing is continuing with all the members of the organisation admin staff and board members playing a part in marketing the product. The refrigerated truck has already been paid for but its delivery is being delayed due to rebate processing procedures.

Kapenta Linkage Grant training, monitoring, fish activities and packaging





See pictures below of the construction of the blast shade.



COMPREHENSIVE LEGAL AND SCHOLASTIC SUPPORT

A total of 62 (21M 41) had their fees paid for the first term. The organisation also coordinated with the education and registrar's offices to facilitate acquisition of national identity documents by form four candidates so that they can be able to seat for their exams after they have denied registration without national identity cards.

6) PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

The organisation managed to distribute male clothes to 93 men and boys in Chalala and continued milk Fomular for 4 (OM 4F) children including upkeep of a male child with disability from Nyamakate whose mother is chronically ill. During the quarter the organisation also offered food assistance to a family who had cabin gaunt by fire with 10kg mealie meal, 1 kg kapenta 2ltrs cooking oil.

Lactogen milk formula distribution

clothes distribution at Chalala



TO IMPROVE COORDINATION

Tony Waite Organisation has continued coordinating with other local stakeholders in program formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation. Therefore, during the quarter the organisation participated in the following meetings District Child Protection Committee where child protection issues are discussed. The Executive Director also participated in the District COVID-19 Taskforce meetings where stakeholders discussed on how to deal with the surge in covid-19 cases which has caused Kariba to be placed under localized lockdown. The worrying matter being that the cases are now involving children having been infected with the virus unlike before. The meetings also resolved that partners to provide a vehicle since municipality was already providing 2 vehicles for RRT. It was agreed to start with stakeholder approach to education where municipality, ZRP and Tony Waite teamed up in the campaign to help prevent further spread of the virus. As assessments continued Tony Waite Organisation vowed to give education to NAU and Charara respectively. The organisation also attended the Zimbabwe Kapenta Produces Association (ZKPA) annual general meeting.

World Menstrual Hygiene Day 28 May

The organisation partnered with Patsaka Trust to commemorate the World Menstrual Hygiene Day on the 28th of May. A total of 15 female learners at Patsaka Trust attended the event



The Executive Director managed to attend belated ceremony for the 16 Gender Based Violence Champions 2020. The Executive Director is also chairing the Grievance Redress Mechanism Committee. The following were attended: three virtual meetings with Women Coalition of Zimbabwe and three with NANGO. RDDC, NAC Provincial stakeholder and Kariba is hosting National AIDS Day Commemorations 2021, Visit by minister of Lands, Agriculture fisheries, water and rural resettlement, Independence celebrations see photos below

Independence Minister's visit RDDC SAVE Stakeholder Ant-child marriages



Assessments & Handover ZWMB Kapenta AGM Belated 16 GBV Champions 2020



For more information on handover ceremony kindly refer to the following links

- <u>https://youtube.be/zrNil1QmKm4</u>
- https://youtube.be/zrNil1QmKm4

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Business Plan Review Training, Marketing Skills Training, Staff Meeting, Board meeting, NGO Forum.

7. PLANNED ACTIVITIES

C& HBC, monthly PMTCT Ward meetings, Youth Clubs and Support Group Meetings, monitoring of livelihood projects production, kapenta project production and marketing and COVID-19 education.

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