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TONY WAITE ORGANISATION FEBRUARY 2024 REPORT

Vision	Healthy community that is able to support each other in issues of HIV and AIDS, other chronic conditions and development related issues.
Mission	To capacitate communities to be able to participate in HIV and AIDS prevention, treatment, care and support professionally in order to have a knowledgeable community

ORGANISATION BACKGROUND

Tony Waite Organization (TWO) is a private voluntary organisation (PVO 45/11) operating in Kariba urban, peri-urban, rural and hard to reach areas (fishing camps) where communities are separated from service providers due to the large waters of Lake Kariba. It started as a foundation in 1993 following the death of Tony Waite, a Kariba resident who worked for the Zambezi River Authority. He went public about his HIV status in 1991 on World AIDS day. He grew up as an orphan and died without a family in January 1992. He left a will for orphans and vulnerable children to benefit. The organisation, however employed staff members through National Action Plan for OVC 2007. It has since begun employing more and has students' attachés as the demand and services are ever increasing in the community.

INTRODUCTION

The organisation thrives to achieve its objectives through offering adherence support to people living with chronic and life limiting conditions and their families, sexual reproductive health and health rights education to adolescent girls, boys and youths. Tony Waite Organisation also offers scholastic support and psychosocial support to OVC in Kariba District and elderly including Gender Based Violence survivors in empowering them economically as some are involved in economic strengthening activities.

A number of stakeholders continue to support the organisation in terms of networking and services provision such as District Social Development, Women Affairs, MOH&CC, MoPSE, Municipality of Kariba, District Development Coordinator, Nyaminyami Rural District Council, DAC, ZRP, WCoZ and ZRA.

TONY WAITE STRATEGIC PILLARS

- INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT
- SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
- YOUTHS
- WOMEN AND ORPHANS AND VULNERABLE CHILDREN
- PALLIATIVE CARE AND ADHERENCE SUPPORT

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

1. IDENTIFICATION OF NEEDY COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The period has seen the organisation preparing for school opening with identification and referrals of Orphans and Vulnerable Children from other stakeholders like Department of Social Department and schools referring children for education support. Infants in need of Lactogen were also referred from other stakeholders and identification by Community Carers continued.

2. TO IMPROVE HOUSEHOLOLD INCOME, FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH

Tony Waite Organisation has continued to support a total of 435 (220M 215F) people with sustainable livelihood projects. These projects include nutritional gardens, poultry projects,

piggery and goat rearing projects. The main objectives of the Economic Strengthening Projects are to:

- Create an enabling environment for women to become active participants in development
- To reduce dependency by women
- To improve their income and family nutrition through their meaningful engagement in development.

PROGRAMME	PROJECT	BASELINE	TARGET	NUMBER	VARIENCE	COMMENTS
AREA	NAME			REACHED		
Economic Strengthening Projects	Goat rearing	4	4	4 rural	0	The projects are ongoing in Chidyamugwamu, Manhanga and Siakobvu. Reaching 32(5m 27f) 10(4m 6f) with disabilities
	Chicken rearing	4	4	4	0	ongoing
	Nutrition al gardens	4	4	4 2 urban, 2 rural	0	Total beneficiaries 184 (54F 130F)
Nutritional support	Infant feeding formula	20	5	4	1	4 (2M 2F) were supported with lactogen during the reporting period.

NUTRITIONAL GARDENS

The organisation is supporting a total of 4 nutritional gardens benefiting a total of 184 (54F 130F) namely Padare garden in Mahombekombe, ZIHOFE garden in ward 2 Kariba urban and Charara Garden for People living with HIV as well as Charara primary school for OVC at the learning institution. The goal of nutritional gardens is to improve household income and nutrition. Farming at Padare and ZIHOPFE nutritional gardens continued and presently members are harvesting green mealies and sweet potato while Charara garden members are planning to start cabbage farming. Members of ZIHOPFE garden have managed to reconnect water and installed solar powered electricity which is cost effective. Members of Padare garden are continuing with their monthly contributions towards buying food items for each other.

NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

Tony Waite continued coordinating with other stakeholders for nutritional support for vulnerable children in Kariba. During the reporting period the organisation received a donation of 4x 2 litre mazoe drinks and biscuits from ZB Bank towards inschool OVC. The organisation also continued with infant feeding program benefiting a total of 4 (2M 2F). See pictures below of Lactogen distribution and ZB Bank donation respectively

Lactogen distribution

ZB Bank donation





3. MEDICAL SUPPORT

A total of 210 (56M 154F) people were reached with SRHR information during the reporting period, among them are those reached through community carers and organisation's youth whatsup group. The main objective of the SRH programme is to help people make informed decisions, creating demand for the services and linking the community to service providers.

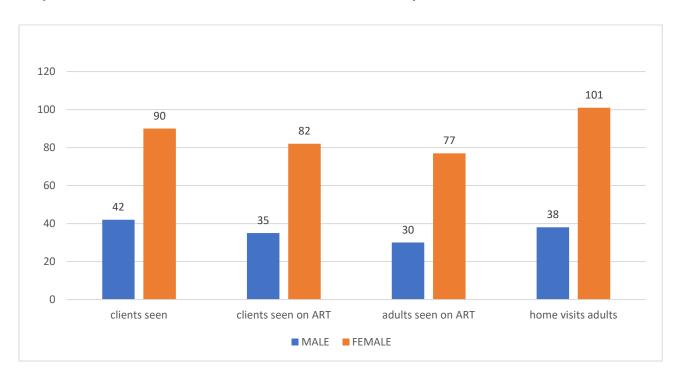
The main areas covered include decision making, drug and substance abuse, sexuality, maternal health, social norms affecting women, adolescent access to services and teenage pregnancies, good behavior and career guidance. During the month a total of 18 (6M 12F) were referred for HIV testing and counseling by community carers. Tony Waite Organisation is also contributing towards the 2030 targets of achieving zero new HIV infections through the PMTCT programme and a total of 16 couples reached with PMTCT information. PMTCT programme aims to increase male involvement in reproductive Health issues as their involvement is lacking. Gender Based Violence assistance through counselling was offered to 23 (9M 14F) with the most common type of GBV being among spouses due to infidelity leading to assault (physical abuse), emotional. HIV-TB integration continued and a total of 10 (6M 4F) received TB Adherence support during the reporting period.

Table1: clients seen for Adherence Support

NEW CLIENTS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
CATEGORY			
BED RIDDEN	0	0	0
AMBULATORY	0	0	0
WORKING	0	0	0
TOTAL NEW CLIENTS	0	0	0
TOTAL CLIENTS SEEN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
BED RIDDEN	2	1	3
AMBULATORY	4	2	6
WORKING	36	87	123
TOTAL	42	90	132
NUMBER OF DEATHS	0	0	0

NUMBER OF FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE AT HOME	41	97	138
FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE	8	26	34
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN	5	7	12
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART	5	7	12
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART	30	77	107
HOME VISITS CHILDREN	5	7	12
HOME VISITS ADULTS	38	101	139
TOTAL HOME VISITS	43	108	151

Graph below shows total number of clients seen in February 2024 and visits contacted.



The graph above shows that the organisation under the palliative care program is working with clients with diverse conditions with the aim of improving the quality of life. Adherence support is continuing however clients are affected by other opportunistic infections like

hypertension, diabetes and cancers. Among the clients seen only two were bed ridden due to amputation. Two clients are in need of wheelchairs.

KAPENTA LINKAGE PROJECT

The organisation has continued with the Kapenta fishing processing and marketing project employing a total of 14(11M 3F) employees. The Executive Director and the Programmes Officer contacted a monitoring and supervision visit to project site to see the status of fishing equipment, challenges faced on ground and possible ways of resolving them as well as motivating the fishermen for improvement in their harvest. The project is helping fishermen sustain their families.

Kapenta harvest Packed Kapenta Rig Repairs



PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

A total of 38 girls at Chalala Primary School received a donation of clothes from the organisation. *See pictures below during the donation.*



A total of 3 children were assisted to aquire birth certificate.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

• 2 (1M 1F) student interns started attachment under the Programmes Department.

 Community carers training on Cholera prevention and referral pathway as well as polio immunization trainings. They mobilized community during cholera and polio vaccinations.

COORDINATION

Tony Waite organisation continues with stakeholder coordination in program design, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and reporting. During the reporting period the organisation attended the following meetings ZKPA, NEC empolyers and employees negotiation meetings, Minister's meeting on Environment and Climate Change, Minister's meeting of lands, agriculture, fisheries, water and rural development as subcatchment ZKPA representative, PEPFER Stakeholders' meeting as well as the Kariba District Stakeholder's Cholera update meeting.

Stakeholder cholera



Minister of Environment and Climate meeting



CHALLENGES

- Lack of volunteer incentives
- Lack of 4X4 vehicle to reach hard to reach areas in Kariba Rural

Planned Activities

- Adherence Support program
- Monitoring of livelihood projects
- Kapenta fishing, processing, packaging and market monitoring
- SRHR and S2S programs

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