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TONY WAITE ORGANISATION JANUARY- MARCH 2024 REPORT

ACRONYMS

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| AIDS | Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome |
| DAAC | District AIDS Action Committee |
| DDC | District Development Coordinator |
| GBV | Gender Based Violence |
| HIV | Human Immunodeficiency Virus |
| MoH&CC | Ministry of Health and Child Care |
| MoPSE | Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education |
| NAC | National AIDS Council |
| NAP | National Action Plan for Orphans and Vulnerable Children |
| OVC | Orphans and Vulnerable Children |
| PMTCT | Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV |
| PVO | Private Voluntary Organisation |
| TB | Tuberculosis |
| TPT | TB Preventive Therapy |
| TWO | Tony Waite Organisation |

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| 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 stakeholder.

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 291 (66M 225F) 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.

Table 1 shows TWOs livelihood projects interventions

| PROGRAMME AREA | PROJECT NAME | BASELINE | TARGET | NUMBER REACHED | VARIENCE | COMMENTS |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----------|--------|----------------|----------|---|
| 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 |

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| | Chicken rearing | 4 | 4 | 4 | 0 | On going |
| | Nutritional 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. |

The supported projects through Zimbabwe Women’s Micro Finance Bank are continuing although funding has lapsed. The projects benefited 75 (7M 68F).

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 groceries, ZB Bank donation and lactogen respectively

Lactogen distribution



Monthly groceries



ZB Bank donation



3. MEDICAL SUPPORT

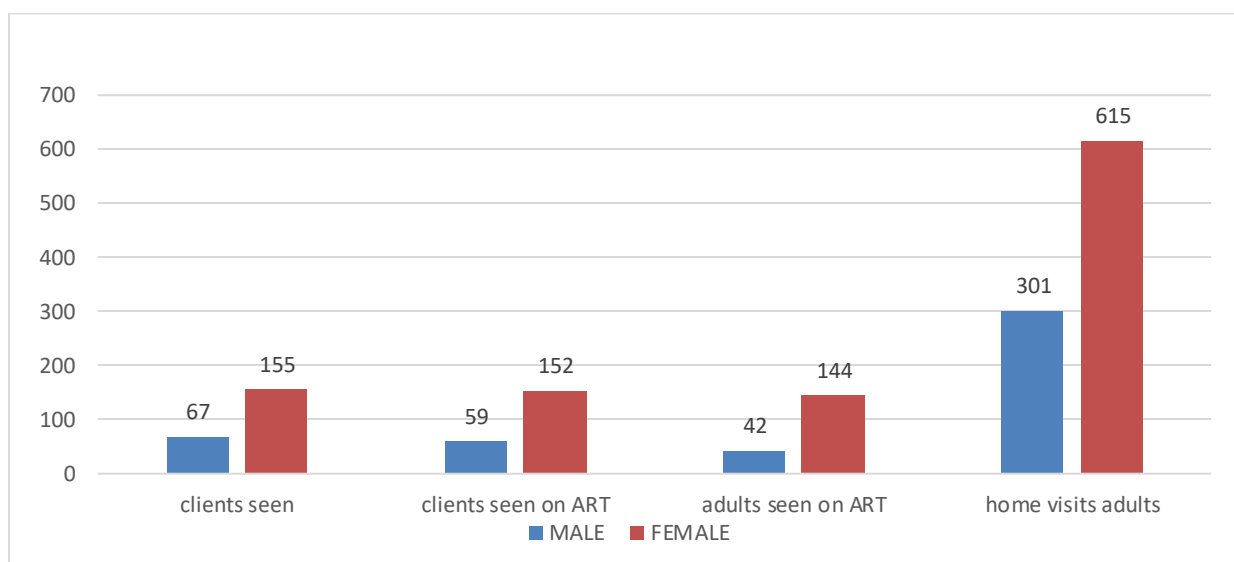
A total of 870 (286M 484F) people were reached with SRHR information during the reporting period, among them are those reached through community carers and organisation's youth Whatsup group. The main objective of the SRH programme is to help people make informed decisions, creating demand for services 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 quarter a total of 35 (10M 25F) 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 60 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 counseling was offered to 33 (9M 24F) 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 3 (1M 2F) were given TB adherence support. The trained community carers encourages clients on ART to take TB Preventative Therapy (TPT) during adherence support visits.

Table 2: clients seen for Adherence Support

| NEW CLIENTS | MALE | FEMALE | TOTAL |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| CATEGORY | | | |
| BED RIDDEN | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| AMBULATORY | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| WORKING | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| TOTAL NEW CLIENTS | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| TOTAL CLIENTS SEEN | MALE | FEMALE | TOTAL |
| BED RIDDEN | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| AMBULATORY | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| WORKING | 61 | 151 | 212 |
| TOTAL | 67 | 155 | 222 |
| NUMBER OF DEATHS | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| NUMBER OF FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE AT HOME | 41 | 97 | 138 |
| FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE | 1 | 26 | 27 |
| NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN | 7 | 8 | 15 |
| NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART | 7 | 8 | 15 |
| NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART | 52 | 144 | 196 |
| HOME VISITS CHILDREN | 22 | 27 | 49 |
| HOME VISITS ADULTS | 301 | 615 | 916 |
| TOTAL HOME VISITS | 323 | 642 | 965 |

Graph 1 below shows total number of clients seen during the quarter 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. A total of 222 (67M 155F) people living with life limiting conditions were seen among them are 196 (52M 144F) adults on ART and 15 (7M 8F) children on ART. Non communicable diseases LIKE diabetes, cancers, and hypertension have become common among clients on ART. Home Based Clients have common challenges like lack of food, money to access health services and buy medications.

TOSE PAMWE FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION.

Rationale of the Tose Pamwe Project by Tony Waite Organisation

The world over Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) have traditionally been seen as the domain and responsibility of adolescent girls and young women as they are seen as the most affected by the 21st events and challenges. The 21st century programming has focused more on the girl child leaving the boy child and men out of the SRHR matrix. This myopic approach has vehemently affected sustainability of the program as cases of early child marriages, STIs among adolescent girls and young women are a strong testimony that men are the perpetrators of these social evils hence needs to rope them in programming. According to Strategy for Sexual Reproductive Health in SADC Region 2019-2030 existence of SRHR challenges has seen agencies in SRHR programming introducing the Brother to Brother model which focuses on boys and men. Zimbabwe among other SADC nations is facing considerable SRHR challenges including

- High rates of Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)
- High rates of unintended adolescent girls and young women pregnancies
- Low contraceptive uptake especially by adolescent girls and young women

These challenges are taking place also in the face of

- High rates of violence against women such that according to UN 2023 report among every 10 women 3 of them are survivors of Gender Based Violence.
- The lowest political participation women meaning that they are excluded from policy formulation may even affect them directly
- Strong patriarchal social and religious influences which peripherises women’s rights and interest

In the face of aforementioned challenges Tony Waite Organisation is working with over 500 adolescent girls and boys in the conceptualisation of the Tose Pamwe Project. The organisation conducted a baseline survey (Focus Group Discussion) which established that men and boys take SRHR issues as inclined to women and girls as a result they are ignorant about it and even resistant. The results of the FGD established that there is need to slot in boys and girls in SRHR programs so that they learn and understand issues together which helps in sustainable programming. Topics like menstrual hygiene, decision and decision making, sex education, drugs and substance abuse were seen as critical as they are issues affecting youths as a group.

Arrival and registration Director’s presentation Plenary P/Officer leading the FGD



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 to sustain a total of 17 households benefiting a total of 50 (15M 35F) direct and indirectly.

Kapenta harvest



Kapenta monitoring visit



Rig Repairs



SCHOLASTIC SUPPORT AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

A total of 48 (41M 7F) were assisted with school related assistance among them are 22 (12M 10F) through fees payment, uniforms and stationary. 38 girls at Chalala Primary School received a donation of t -shirts which can also be used for sports. ***See pictures below during the clothes donation at Chalala Tony Waite Organisation Premises***



STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- Community carers training on Cholera prevention and referral pathway as well as polio immunization trainings. They mobilized community during cholera and polio vaccinations.
- 2 (1M 1F) student interns under Programmes department were engaged during the period under review.
- EU call for proposal unpacking of priority areas
- Social entrepreneurship training

- WCoZ PVO Amendment Bill update
- COP 23 CSO preparatory and stakeholder meetings

COORDINATION

Tony Waite organisation continues with stakeholder coordination in program design, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and reporting. During the reporting period the organisation attended ZKPA, NEC employers and employees negotiation meetings, Minister’s meeting on Environment and Climate Change, Minister’s meeting of lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Rural Development as sub catchment ZKPA representative, PEPFER Stakeholders’ meeting as well as the Kariba District Stakeholder’s Cholera update meeting. The organisation also attended a meeting coordinated by Ministry of Women’s Affairs which aimed to strategically position stakeholders on GBV response and sharing of experiences by stakeholders as well as dissemination of GBV (Gender Based Violence) strategy, Kariba Nutrition Care, Independence Preparation Meeting as well as the NANGO Annual General Meeting. Kariba Dam Rehabilitation Project Grievance Redress Mechanism meeting. The organisation also attended the National Non-Governmental Organisations NGO Amendment Bill briefing coordinated by NANGO; TWO also attended DAAC Taskforce, DAAC stakeholders, DAAC coordinated by National AIDS Council as well as the PAAC meeting and Homeless Federation Business training.

Stakeholder Cholera awareness Minister of environment visit Homeless federation NANGO AGM



Patsaka Media Briefing

ZAN Mash West chapter meeting



CHALLENGES

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

Planned Activities

- Monitoring of livelihood projects.
- Kapenta fishing, processing, packaging and market monitoring
- SRHR and S2S programs
- Fees payment and uniform procurement

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