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INTRODUCTION

Tony Waite Organisation is Private Voluntary Organisation which operates in Kariba urban and rural. The organisation's 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 is 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	27	40	67
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	9	11	20
Total number of OVC continuing to be provided with nutritional support	838	895	1 697
Number of OVC provided with PSS/counseling	20	80	100
Number of OVC receiving life skills	10	30	40

Number of OVC receiving orientation in care giving skills	0	0	0
Number receiving child rights education	164	185	349
Number of OVC assisted to acquire birth certificates	2	1	3

Below is a table of patients 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	0	0	0
AMBULATORY	1	1	2
WORKING	89	100	189
TOTAL	90	101	191
NUMBER OF DEATHS	0	0	0
NUMBER OF FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE AT			
HOME	9	54	63
FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE	0	15	15
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN	10	10	20
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART	8	10	18

NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART	88	90	178
HOME VISITS CHILDREN	22	24	46
HOME VISITS ADULTS	88	91	179
TOTAL HOME VISITS			
	110	115	225

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.

2. TO IMPROVE HOUSEHOLOLD INCOME, FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH

Tony Waite Organisation has continued supporting a total of 435 (220M 215F) with sustainable livelihood projects. These projects include Internal Savings and Lending, Nutritional gardens, poultry projects and goat rearing projects as well as the bread baking project. The main thrust of the Economic Strengthening Projects is to create an enabling environment for women to become active participants in development, to reduce dependency by women as well as to improve their income and family nutrition through their meaningful engagement in development.

Internal Savings and Lending

Monitoring of Internal Savings and Lending has continued with the savings clubs making landslides. The groups are expecting to share the spoils at the end of the year. During a monitoring visit the members of ISAL groups highlighted that they are benefiting from the clubs as they are accessing loans which has helped boost their businesses.

Goat rearing project

A total of 4 goat rearing projects are being supported by Tony Waite Organisation benefiting a total of 32 (5M 27F). The project includes

Piggery project and hardware projects

The piggery project in Mupedzapasi in Hurungwe District has produced some fruits to admire. The project is achieving its set goals which include creating employment for youths and women. To date a total of 7(6M 1F) are employed to date under the piggery project. Monitoring of piggery is continuing. The hardware project which is an outcome of piggery project is proving to be sustainable with monitoring continuing.

Chicken rearing project

The organisation supports economic strengthening projects with the aim of engaging women as active participants in development as well as eradicating economic dependency by women. A total of 5 chicken rearing projects, 2 in Kariba Rural in Manhanga (ward 8) and Siakobvu (ward 4)respectively and the other 2 in Kariba urban ward 2 are being supported and monitoring is continuing with the one in Siakobvu, Munamata Village being monitored by Mrs Machinga a rehab officer at Siakobvu Hospital. Members of the project in ward 2 of Kariba urban are selling eggs, chicks and cocks as they are constructing their houses. *See pictures below of the urban chicken projects.*



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, there has been an outcry by people for being vehemently affected by the virus. Movement restrictions, closure of borders and schools presented a unique lifestyle which has never been experienced post-independence in Zimbabwe. Therefore, people were forced to adjust to the COVID-19 lockdown restrictions which forced people to stay indoors, stay within their districts and or villages with fears of widespread of the virus to uncontrollable levels. Hence Tony Waite Organisation contacted a series of researches through Focus group discussions and participant observation to determine the extent of damage on the community by the lockdown restriction. The findings of the research concluded that livelihoods succumbed to the lockdown restriction specifically due to movement

ctions and closure of borders as people depended much on the neighboring country Zambia for cheap consumables in Kariba. It is therefore after the organisation has shared the findings that Zimbabwe Women's Micro Finance Bank determined to have a contract with Tony Waite Organisation in a bid to assist women to bounce back to their businesses

Monitoring and evaluation of poultry projects has continued with all the 6 groups having successfully completed rearing and marketing of the chickens. During the period of

reporting most groups had initiated loan repayments with others having completed payments. An analysis of the projects indicates that all the groups made profits except one which sold their product at a lower price with others having varied margins because of limiting factors like chicken mortality, the principal loan amounts were high due to drinkers and feeders which were included on the budgets, holding other factors constantly if the members continue with the projects there is hope that the profit margins can increase as drinkers and feeders are bought once off. The groups are determined to continue with poultry as they have booked for more chickens. And their loans for second round have since been approved waiting for disbursements. One group (Magamba money crue) and an individual got their disbursements during the quarter and have started selling their products by the time of going to press. The group faced chicken mortality and veterinary department was consulted and they examined one of the dead chickens. There was no disease but the group needed to switch off the lights for the chickens to rest eating as they continuously ate damaging the liver. Prescriptions were prescribed and no deaths were experienced there after

See photos meetings discussions on repayments of loans & disbursements to new group



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 food security. The Charara gardens are not fully functional with Charara community garden's energizer not functional and wild animals are plundering their crops. Members at Charara community garden were encouraged to repair or buy another energizer so that they continue with farming.

Members of Padare and ZIHOPFE nutritional gardens are selling vegetables like tomatoes, carrots, spinach, lettuce and cabbages to the local market. It is important to note that the project is archiving its goal as members are managing to access nutritious vegetables and

are having surplus for sale. They are managing to meet household costs like water and electricity bills as well as paying school fees for their children. It is prudent to highlight that some members of nutritional gardens are people living with life limiting conditions therefore need for nutritious food. *See pictures of the gardens below*

Padare garden photos



Nutritional Support.

Tony Waite Organisation has continued coordinating with local stakeholders and referrals for food assistance continued. During the 3 months three families were supported with nutritional support benefiting a total of 20 (9M 11F). Among the families which were supported is a family from Chawara whose father has TB received mealie meal, cooking oil and kapenta. Another family was supported from the C and C grant and another OVC continued benefiting from an individual donor. A total of 4 infants continued to benefit from infant feeding program. *Food distribution in pictures.*



PSYCHOSOCIAL AND SCHOLASTIC SUPPORT

After involvement in the community outreach MoPSE programme for inclusive education clients flock at Tony Waite offices as they face resistance to register at urban schools of their choice due to lack of money though initially before the outreach they had dropped out of school for the same reasons. The DSI have been contacted to intervene so that no one is left behind. The organisation bought uniforms for 2 primary female and one secondary form 1 male for them to be able to be enrolled back to school. These children have been left with their mothers as parents separated and of note a father left his own son to stay with a step mother and his whereabouts are unknown. More guardians experience fees and birth certificates challenges



4) MEDICAL SUPPORT

Tony Waite Organisation envisions a holistic approach service to people living with difficult circumstances including People Living with HIV and TB, Diabetes and cancers through adherence support and palliative care. During the quarter a total number of 950 (100M 300F) received SRHR education. A total of 3 (1M 2F) got TB adherence support from trained community carers and managed to motivate 8 (M3 F5) to get TB screening and know their status and out of those who got screened, 1 female is now on treatment. Elimination of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV towards the 2030 target of reaching to zero new HIV infections has remained the organisational goal as it contributes to Sustainable Development Goals and they have encouraged male involvement in EMTCT and a total of 20 couples got tested.

Cases of early child marriages have been constantly increasing each day and as a result Tony Waite Organisation partnered with the Dutch Embassy campaigning against early child marriages. Early marriage is said to be a harmful practice that denies girls their right to make vital decisions about their sexual health and well-being and it forces them out of education and into a life of poor prospects, with an increased risk of violence, abuse, ill health or early death. Therefore there was an increased number of school dropouts due to child marriages hence TWO and other stakeholders led by DDC which included the department of social development, women's affairs, ministry of education, registrar, herald met with the chiefs at Siakobvu so as to discuss issues pertaining early child marriages, causes of child marriages, effects of early child marriages, referral pathway, statistical data for Kariba, role of chiefs in reducing child marriages and the possible solutions that can be implemented to reduce child marriages, in order to fight against early child marriages. See photos below on stakeholder meeting prior to the chiefs meeting & the chiefs meeting



<u>https://youtu.be/CcSpyrZTOhg</u> DDC opening remarks Anti-Child marriages meeting <u>https://youtu.be/FL-McuhrXAA</u> Chief's closing remarks Anti-Child marriages By laws formulation

KAPENTA

LINKAGE

PROJECT

The organisation has continued with the Kapenta fishing processing and marketing project employing a total of 25 (15M 9F) employees. The number includes both full time and part time employees. Rig maintenance and repairs continued during the period under review.

Bad weather and equipment breakdowns affected fishing during the period under review, however holding other factors constantly catches were better as compared to the previous quarter.

Fishing rig during kapenta delivery Receiving Kapenta Fish Direct members buying kapenta



Fish buying at Chawara harbor

Fish blasting at Bream waters



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Cold chain installation

Installation of the cold chain comprising of shade for blast, holding freezer, and solar power have been complete with only machines for blast & freezer to be installed. The unit is expected to be functional by end of October as a delay from the supplier has affected the initial plan. The delivery truck which has been delayed on its rebate has been processed and clearance is underway.

See pictures below of the cold rooms and solar unit installed at the organisation's factory.

Cold chain shade installation

Completed cold rooms



Installation of solar system Goodwe Invertor and batteries

Director

Orientation



6) TO IMPROVE COORDINATION:

The organisation coordinated with other stakeholders in different meetings and colloquiums. During the period under review the organisation attended WCoZ members meetings, Sub Chapter meetings, APCA COVID-19 meeting, Zimbabwe Kapenta Producers Association members meeting, Gender links meeting facilitated by Municipality of Kariba. The organisation also attended the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education stakeholder meeting of rehabilitating school dropouts back into the school environment as well as identifying the nature of challenges faced by OVC in school. *See pictures of MoPSE Mashonaland West 2021 community outreach for enhanced access to equitable and inclusive education stakeholder meeting and ZIMPHIA stakeholder meetings*



The stakeholders were divided into 2 groups the other to focus on Nyaminyami Rural and the other focus of peri urban and urban. The strategy of the campaign was effective as it encompassed radio, road shows and physical meetings with community members.

See pictures below of the MoPSE Mashonaland West 2021 community outreach for enhanced access to equitable and inclusive education team which covered Makande, Gachegache and Kariba urban

Makande Kadziro Makande Secondary Gachegache



Home visit during the community outreach with schools psychological services in Makande



The organisation was also involved in ZIMPHIA stakeholder meeting which was focusing on developing IEC material focusing on HIV AIDS. The meeting was interactive as youths in attendance were also instrumental in the formulation of the material. During the month

Tony Waite also attended the ZNNP+ stakeholder meeting. The meeting was focusing on formulation of support groups for people living with HIV The coordination meetings are the platform where joint planning, budgeting, implementation monitoring and evaluation by stakeholders in necessitated this helps for project and programme sustainability as different personnel with different expertise are involved from the inception of the programme. Nyami Nyami RDC strategic planning was also participated in and GRM secretariat meeting focusing on focal persons orientation.



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