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## TONY WAITE ORGANISATION JULY- SEPTEMBER 2025 QUARTERLY REPORT

<b>Vision</b>	Healthy community that is able to support each other in issues of HIV and AIDS, other chronic conditions and development related issues.
<b>Mission</b>	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.

TB &GBV awareness at Tony Waite Org & ZRA Grievance Redress Mechanism Committee



## ABRREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

- i)** **AIDS** Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome
- ii)** **DAC** District AIDS Coordinator
- iii)** **DDC** District Development Coordinator
- iv)** **EHD** Environmental Health Department
- v)** **EMTCT** Elimination of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV
- vi)** **GBV** Gender Based Violence
- vii)** **KP** Key Population
- viii)** **OVC** Orphans and Vulnerable Children
- ix)** **PVO** Private Voluntary Organisation
- x)** **PAC** Provincial AIDS Action Committee
- xi)** **SRHR** Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights
- xii)** **TWO** Tony Waite Organisation
- xiii)** **WCoZ** Women's Coalition of Zimbabwe
- xiv)** **YIS** Youth In School
- xv)** **YOS** Youths Out of School
- xvi)** **ZAN** Zimbabwe AIDS Network
- xvii)** **ZIHOPFE** Zimbabwe Homeless People's Federation
- xviii)** **ZIMRA** Zimbabwe Revenue Authority
- xix)** **ZNNP+** Zimbabwe National Network of People Living with HIV
- xx)** **ZRA** Zambezi River Authority
- xxi)** **ZRP** Zimbabwe Republic Police

## INTRODUCTION

The organisation thrives to achieve its objectives through offering child protection, adherence support to people living with chronic and life limiting conditions and their families, sexual reproductive health and 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.

Several 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

Identification and referrals continue

**Table 1 Below are the services offered to OVC in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2025**

CATEGORY	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Number of new OVC provided with school related assistance	1	1	2
Number of OVC provided with school fees	9	12	22

Number of OVC continuing to be provided with school related assistance	1504	826	2333
Number of new OVC provided with medical support	0	0	0
Number of OVC started on ART	0	1	1
Number of OVC continuing ART	57	62	119
Number of new OVC provided with nutritional support	0	2	2
Number of OVC provided with nutritional support for the quarter	86	72	158
Total number of OVC continuing to be provided with nutritional support	892	859	1751
Number of new OVC provided with PSS	0	0	0
Number of OVC receiving life skills	139	147	286
Number of OVC assisted to acquire birth certificates	0	1	1

#### **TO IMPROVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME, FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH**

Tony Waite Organisation has continued to support a total of 446 (220M 226F) 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.

#### **Economic Strengthening Projects**

The objective of the projects is to strengthen the capacity of community members to participate in socioeconomic and family resilience development programs. Specifically, the initiatives aim to involve women and youth who have traditionally been excluded from the development process due to limited access to loans due to lack of collateral security, productive assets and insufficient technical know-how to run profit-making enterprises. During the reporting period, two women were supported with start-up capital and basic business training. One beneficiary used the loan to start a small income-generating project to support her two children with disabilities, while the other—who is living with a chronic condition—received support to help her cope with challenges in paying school fees for her son.

## NUTRITIONAL GARDENS

Monitoring and assessment support has continued for the three functional nutritional gardens (Padare- Mahombekombe, ZIOPFE- Nyamhunga and Charara gardens). The beneficiaries of the nutritional gardens are People Living with HIV and other life limiting conditions, Orphans and the Elderly. The main goal of these gardens is to improve household nutrition and generate income from surplus. During the reporting period beneficiaries were selling their produce to the broader community, local lodges, hotels and local companies with other linkages having been created by Tony Waite organisation. At Padare Garden, members demonstrated innovation by establishing a business unit focused on propagating vegetable seed beds, herbs and fruits which they are now selling to the community as an additional income stream. ZIOPFE Garden members successfully installed a long-awaited borehole after facing water disconnections due to high water bills. This development is expected to boost farming activities, particularly after drip irrigation equipment was supplied by ZIOPFE Trust. The cost reduction strategy has motivated the members such that much of the space in the garden has been utilised, members have plans to start herb farming for sale. The Charara garden for people living with HIV (PLHIV) has continued to make strides, with members also running the only tuckshop at Charara Estate—a venture that has enabled them to sustainably manage their funds.

### Nutritional gardens serve 2 main functions thus

- Enhancing access to nutritious food for people living with life limiting conditions
- To enhance household income

### Good practices

- Use of organic manure and compost, solar powered borehole water so as to reduce farming costs.
- Maintaining good soil health and plant health through crop rotation which also helps to deter plant pests and diseases.
- A shift from subsistence farming to intensive farming through establishment of business units.
- Establishment of sustainable market.

### Monitoring of livelihood gardens

**Tomatoes at Charara garden    Vegetables, Tomatoes and fruits in Padare garden.**



## NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

A total of 157 beneficiaries (86M and 71F) received food assistance through the organisation's distribution programme. Through networking and creating synergies with like-minded organisations, Tony Waite Organisation participated in the Kariba Half Marathon's 31st edition, where it exhibited its work and shared its vision and mission. Following this engagement, the Executive Director successfully established a partnership with the Harare Athletics Club (H.A.C), which pledged to support the organisation's efforts, particularly in assisting Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC). As a result, Tony Waite Organisation received an assortment of refreshments and eggs from H.A.C, which were distributed among OVC beneficiaries. The organisation managed to support 2 infants with NAN formula whose mothers had health complications to support lactation. Despite these efforts, food vulnerability remains a growing concern in Kariba, largely attributed to increasing cases of family disintegration and weakened household support systems. As a result more resources are needed to respond to the increasing concern.

**TWO Booth at H.A.C Kariba Half Marathon**



**Distribution of food items to OVC**



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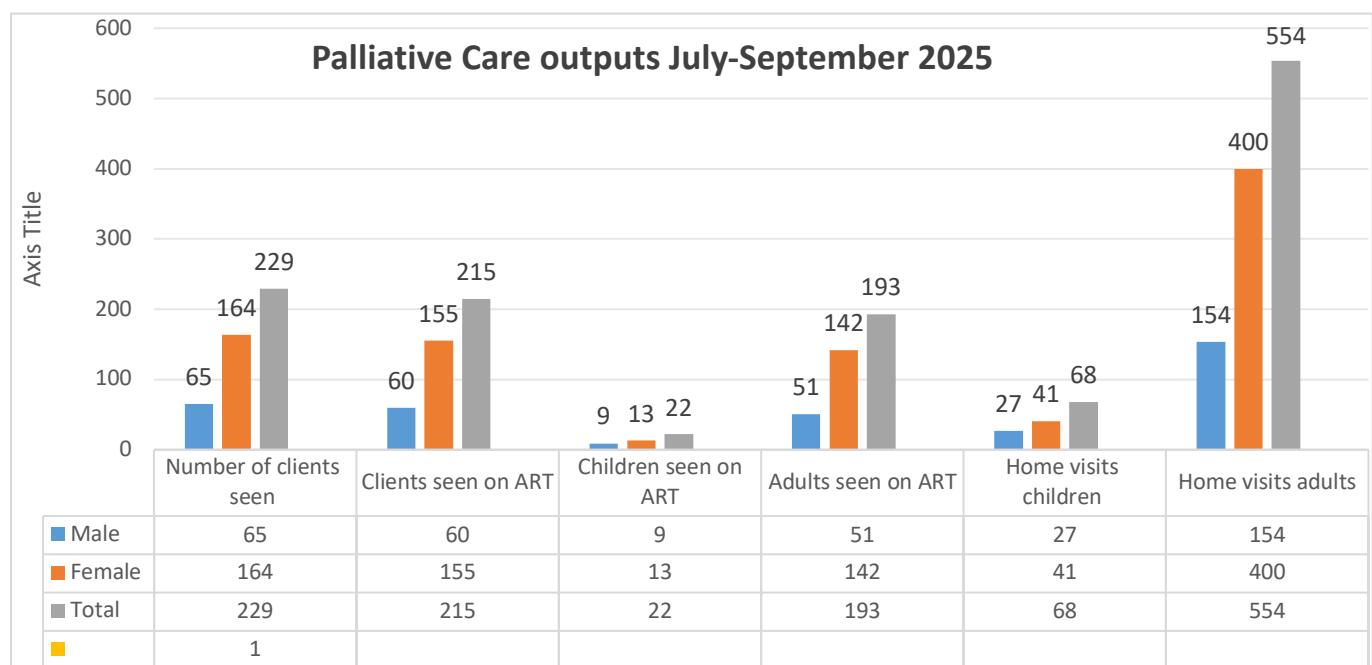
## 3. MEDICAL SUPPORT

A total of 261 (75M 186F) people were reached with SRHR information during the reporting period 200 (50M 150F) reached through Tose Pamwe and 62 (26M 36F through trained community carers). 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 self-awareness & drug and substance abuse. A total of 24 (10M 14F) were referred for HIV testing and counselling at local clinics and a total of 4 (2M 2F) received TB adherence support. A total of 31 couples were reached with EMTCT education through partner support during pre- natal and neo natal stages. During the month 12 (2M 10F) were given GBV related assistance. Intimate partner violence has remained the most common resulting in domestic violence. No case was reported to the police, but people resolved issues at family and community level.

**Table 2:** clients seen for Adherence Support

CATEGORY	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
<b>NEW CLIENTS</b>			
BED RIDDEN	0	1	1
AMBULATORY	0	2	2
WORKING	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL NEW CLIENTS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>TOTAL CLIENTS SEEN</b>	<b>MALE</b>	<b>FEMALE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
BED RIDDEN	2	3	5
AMBULATORY	1	6	7
WORKING	62	155	217
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>229</b>
NUMBER OF DEATHS	0	2	2
NUMBER OF FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE AT HOME	2	18	20
Secondary FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE	1	20	21
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN	9	13	22
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART	9	13	22
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART	51	142	193
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART	48	133	181
HOME VISITS CHILDREN	27	41	68
HOME VISITS ADULTS	154	400	554
<b>TOTAL HOME VISITS</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>622</b>

Graph 1 below shows total number of clients seen during the quarter and visits contacted.



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 259 (65M 164F) people living with life limiting conditions were seen among them are 193 (51M 142F) adults on ART and 22 (9M 13F) children on ART among the children is one newly enrolled with TB. 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.

### Tayeyegwa HIV TB Integration Project

The goal of HIV and TB integration is to **reduce TB-related deaths by 2030**. The TB epidemic has been largely driven by HIV, with more than two-thirds of TB patients (72% in 2015) co-infected with HIV. Significant progress has been made through TB-HIV collaborative efforts. Notably, HIV testing among TB patients is approaching universal access, with 96% of TB patients having a known HIV status, and 72% of those co-infected on ART as of 2015 [National Tuberculosis Program – Strategic Plan (2017–2020)]. Despite these achievements, **Kariba District** continues to face specific challenges in implementing the TB program. These include delayed contact investigations due to inadequate resources, limited resources for Early Health Detection (EHD), and low TB notification coverage. Furthermore, as identified by the **Zimbabwe National AIDS Strategic Plan (ZNASP V)**, there remains a significant **information gap within communities** regarding TB prevention and management. To address these challenges, the organisation, through the **Tayeyegwa Project**, seeks to **sensitise key stakeholders, train community carers, and conduct community outreach activities** to achieve the project's overall objectives of:

- **To strengthen community awareness and knowledge** on TB and HIV co-infection through sensitisation meetings, health education campaigns, and information dissemination.

- **To build the capacity of community carers and village health workers** to identify, refer, and support TB and HIV clients through targeted training and mentorship programs.
  - **To enhance contact investigation and early case detection** by improving community-level surveillance, screening, and referral systems
  - **To promote adherence to treatment and retention in care** for both TB and HIV patients through home visits, psychosocial support, and community follow-up
  - **To improve coordination and collaboration** between the organisation, Ministry of Health and Child Care, and other stakeholders for an integrated and efficient TB-HIV response.
  - **To reduce stigma and discrimination** associated with TB and HIV through community dialogues and advocacy initiatives
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## Expected Outcomes

- ✧ **Increased community awareness** and understanding of TB and HIV, resulting in improved health-seeking behaviours.
- ✧ **Improved capacity of community carers and local health structures** to effectively support TB and HIV prevention, detection, and management.
- ✧ **Enhanced contact tracing and early diagnosis**, leading to timely initiation of treatment and reduced community transmission.
- ✧ **Improved adherence and retention rates** among clients on TB and ART treatment.
- ✧ **Strengthened multi-sectoral collaboration** and information sharing among health stakeholders in Kariba District.
- ✧ **Reduced TB-related morbidity and mortality** in alignment with the national goal of ending TB deaths by 2030.
- ✧ **A more supportive and stigma-free community environment** for people affected by TB and HIV.

Both the objectives and the key outcomes of the project are in line with the National TB Strategy as the organisation thrives to complement government efforts towards ending TB by 2030. The organisation has managed to hold the Stakeholder inception and Community Carer training and community outreaches. Below are the pictures during stakeholder inception and community carer training held at the DDC's Office and TWO Offices respectively

**Stakeholder inception      Community Caring Ms Vengere and DEHO facilitating**



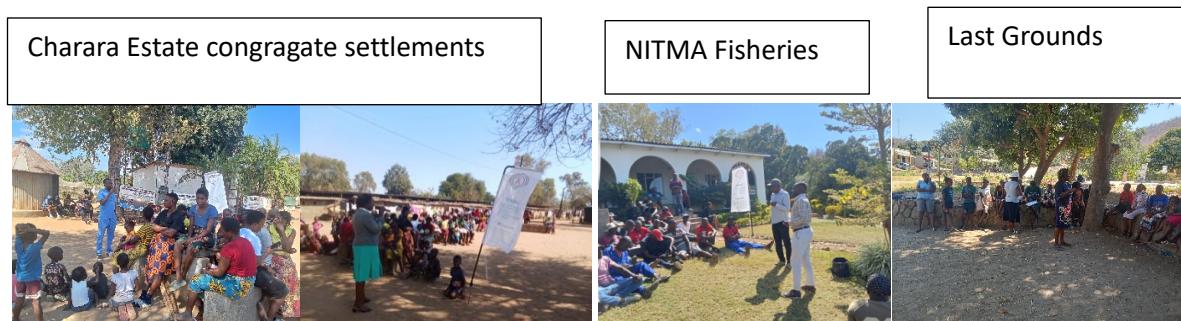
## Community outreach objectives

- Fighting TB stigma and discrimination in the community.
- To understand community perspectives, myths and misconceptions surrounding HIV & TB.
- Facilitating knowledge and uptake of TB Preventative Therapy.
- Enhancing TB screening among People Living with HIV and families with people once infected by TB.

### Expected Outcomes:

- Reduced stigma and discrimination
- Increased participation by HIV TB vulnerable members in the HIV-TB integration project.
- Improved knowledge gap on myths and misconceptions on HIV & TB.
- Improved referrals

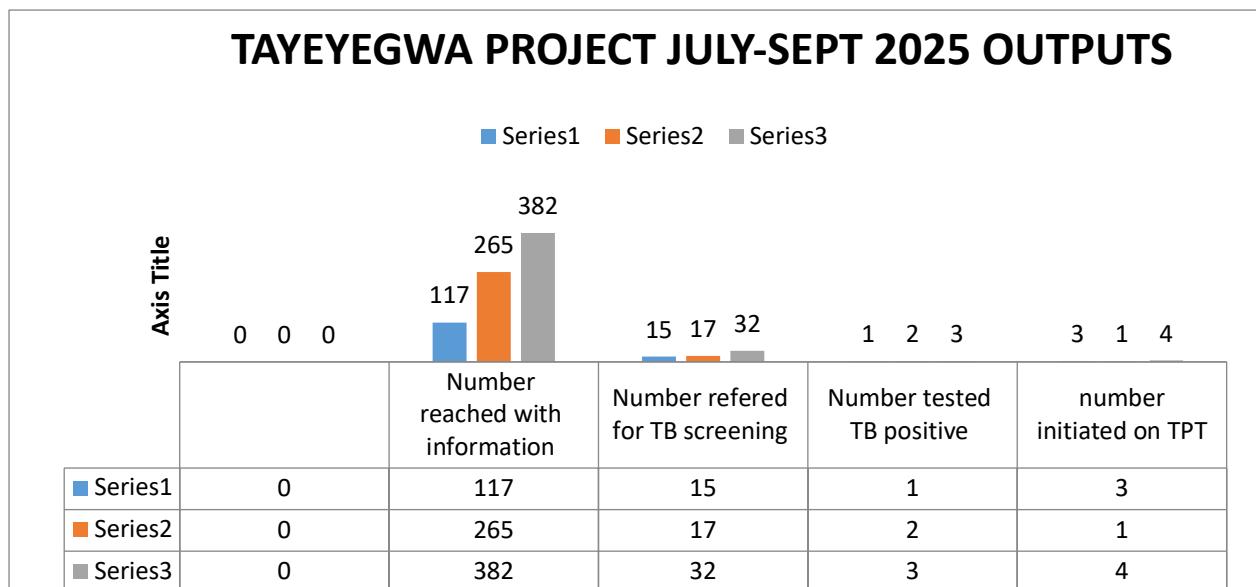
**Below are pictures during the community outreaches covering Charara estate, NITMA fisheries and Mahombekombe at Last 6 Grounds respectively.**



### Key findings from the community outreaches

Issues identified	Action taken
There is reluctance in TPT uptake among eligible members due to previous experiences with TB treatment.	Sensitised the community to treat each TB case as unique and always seek medical assistance in cases of drug reactions.
Community members have basic knowledge on HIV and TB but are not aware of the symbiotic relationship between the 2.	MoH &CC explained the relationship and encouraged community of PLWHIV and other key population to get screened.
People have knowledge on TB signs and symptoms but some of the information is archaic for example the fact that a person has to cough for more than 3 weeks to seek medical treatment	Updated information was given that whenever you feel discomfort and suspect TB go get screened at the nearest health facility
People didn't understand the time frame at which a person is receiving treatment can no longer spread TB.	They were educated that it needs only 2 weeks for one who is correctly taking treatment to stop the spread

The graph below shows project outputs for July-September 2025.



The graph above shows the project outputs since its launch. **382 individuals (117 males and 265 females)** have been reached with information on TB and HIV integration. Out of these, **32 clients (15 males and 17 females)** were referred for TB screening at local health facilities. Among those referred, **3 clients (1 male and 2 females)** tested positive for TB, while **4 clients (3 males and 1 female)** were initiated on TPT just in one month of implementation. This situation highlights the impact of undiagnosed TB cases within the community, which continue to fuel transmission and increase the disease burden. The Tayeyegwa Project will play a critical role in addressing this gap by promoting early detection, timely referral, and effective community awareness to help stop the spread of TB.

#### KAPENTA LINKAGE PROJECT

During the quarter, fishing operations on Lake Kariba were severely hampered by persistent bad weather conditions. Strong winds and rough waters reduced the number of nights fishermen could safely launch their rigs, while sudden storms increased risks to both crews and equipment. As a result, overall kapenta catches dropped significantly in September.



## ADOLESCENT SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS (SRHR) TOSE PAMWE PROJECT

A total of 129 (57M 72F) were reached with SRHR information. The objectives of the organisation through the adolescent engagement meetings are as follows: Promoting Health and Well being through promoting access to accurate SRHR information which helps young people to prevent sexually transmitted infections, including HIV, and to reduce the risk of early or unintended pregnancies. Empowering adolescents to make informed choices through understanding their bodies, rights, and options, youths are better equipped to make responsible decisions regarding relationships, sexuality, and family planning. Reducing harmful practices comprehensive SRHR education and services protect young people from harmful cultural practices such as child marriage, gender-based violence, and sexual exploitation. Supporting education and opportunities preventing early pregnancies and related health complications allows young people, especially girls, to remain in school and pursue career opportunities, helping to break cycles of poverty. Builds Resilient Communities educated and healthy youths contribute positively to their families and communities, strengthening social cohesion and driving sustainable development. One of the denominations was visited see below photos.

**Youth engagement at TWO offices**



**Family Covenant Church youth retreat**



Tony Waite Organisation does not achieve its objectives in isolation so during the quarter, TWO collaborated with Family Covenant Church during their youth retreat to engage adolescent girls and boys on issues of growing up and making informed decisions. A total of 45 participants (15 males and 30 females) were reached through this initiative. Engaging community institutions not only fosters strong community partnerships but also strengthens local structures, contributing to the long-term sustainability of projects.

### **GBV AWARENESS**

Tony Waite Organisation partnered with Zambezi River Authority to coordinate the awareness 2 campaigns at the organisations offices. Ministry of Women's Affairs Community Small and Medium Enterprises development also attended and facilitated during the campaigns educating people on their mandate which is a Gender Equal community which is free from GBV and exploitation. A total of 110 (3M 107F) were reached with the GBV awareness information. ZRA provided refreshments for one meeting.

### A ZRA representative facilitating



### Mrs Chitima from Women's Affairs



### SCHOLASTIC SUPPORT

A total of 22 (10M 12F) got their fees paid during the quarter.

Education enables upward socioeconomic mobility and is a key to escaping poverty. Therefore, the organisation has continued supporting Orphans and Vulnerable Children with school related assistance.

During the quarter, school psycho-social support visits were conducted at Nyamhunga Secondary, Mahombekombe Primary and Secondary Schools to assess learner attendance, performance, and discipline. The visits also aimed to build rapport with beneficiaries while educating them on the organisation's culture, self-understanding, and the importance of setting personal goals and visions as young people. These efforts contribute towards improving learners' well-being and promoting better academic outcomes.

### STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- Staff meetings
- Board meetings
- Global fund reprioritization meeting
- NEC job evaluation feedback

### COORDINATION

Tony Waite organisation continues with stakeholder coordination in program design, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and reporting. During the reporting period the organisation attended ZKPA, WCoZ Environment and Climate Justice meeting, ZETDC wellness, Fact CLM, heroes independence preparatory meeting, MIPA meeting, Nyami Nyami land use plan. The organisation attended ZKPA and PROFISHBLUE meetings. The PROFISHBLUE comprises of Zambian and Zimbabwe technocrats with the objective of enhancing trans-boundary initiatives and joint monitoring of fishing activities in Lake Kariba as it is a shared water body. The organisation also presented on Mental Health and the palliative care program being implemented by the organisation targeting people living with life limiting conditions in the community during the ZETDC, ZPC Wellness Day held at Lake Harvest Sports club and 40 Ruwadzano women from Methodist Church attending their

convention. Tony Waite also participated in heroes meetings and commemorations, HPV & Measles Rubella, Ear Camp and Mass Drug Administration for Elephantiasis. The organisation also attended the ZIMRA strategy stakeholder engagement meeting. The organisation being the Chapter Chairperson for ZAN attended the Provincial ZAN meeting. The organisation also attended the DAAC stakeholder and DAAC meetings where it is the secretary and vice chair respectively TWO also participated in the preparatory meeting for Provincial Chiefs Day which will be commemorated in Kariba and the ZRA Grievance Redress Mechanism which held its meeting.

DAAC meeting



Women "convention ZKPA & Siavonga Joint Kapenta Association Discussions



Nutrition ECD Training



Nyami Nyami Land Plan



ZIMRA strategy meeting



## CHALLENGES

- Lack of 4X4 vehicle to reach hard to reach areas
- Lack of consistent funding towards volunteer stipends leading to lethargy

## PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- Adherence Support program
- Monitoring of livelihood projects.
- Kapenta fishing, processing, packaging and market monitoring
- Tose Pamwe programme (Peer and champion training)
- Scaling up of Tayeyegwa HIV&TB Integration Project Kariba rural, community awareness outreaches & TB contact investigations.

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