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Tony Waite Organisation is a private voluntary organisation which operates in Kariba Urban and rural. Kariba is a heavily dissected district with the people in rural separated from service providers due to large body of water in Lake Kariba and Tony Waite Organisation is extending its services to the areas. Tony Waite Organisation envisions an empowered, knowledgeable society where people can support each other in HIV and AIDS, non-communicable and life threatening conditions as well as other developmental issues. The organisation offers a plethora of services including Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) OVC support programs, HIV and AIDS programmes, women and new born health, women and youths emancipation projects and palliative care services. The organisation does not operate as a separate entity but coordinates with other local stakeholders in programme formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation as well as service provision to enable effective and efficient information flow between stakeholders.

OBJECTIVES

- To identify needy clients through trained community cares and CPC registers.
- To improve household income, food security and health.
- To provide Palliative Care.
- To provide comprehensive scholastic and psychosocial support.
- To strengthen co-ordination and networking

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- OVC and Elderly food distribution program
- Adherence Support program
- Monthly SRHR and PMTCT Ward meetings

- Monthly youth clubs and support group meetings
- Monitoring of livelihood projects
- Kapenta fishing, processing, packaging and marketing monitoring.
- SRHR and COVID-19 Response programs.

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. The organisation has also continued with coordinating with other key stakeholders like District Social Development Office for referrals of clients. During the month pupils in need of education support, nutritional and clothing were referred from Social Development Office and the organisation also referred OVC who were in need of birth registrations to the aforementioned office.

FORMATION OF COMMUNITY ART GROUPS (CAGS)

Following the DAAC Meetings in February and March respectively where recommendations were made that there is need to decongest the clinics especially considering the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown regulations. In an attempt to decongest the clinics stakeholders suggested that People Living with HIV who flock to the clinics to collect their medications are an alternative to reduce the numbers visiting the health institutions through formation of CAGs. CAGs will help in the sense that clients don't have to flock to the clinic but they should form peer groups where a single member will go to the clinic to collect medication for other members and distribute to other members. Therefore, having submitted the suggestions Tony Waite Organisation in line with its mandate of linking the community with service providers took on its shoulders to coordinate formation of CAGs through its trained community carers who already have registered the people to whom they are providing adherence support. During the focus group discussions with the PLWHIV they concurred on the fact that CAGs have become contemporary in Zimbabwe and beyond as they are always broadcasted on National television channel ZB. They applauded the idea highlighting that they promote peer to peer support as people who have the same condition create groups where they can share experiences and devise methods of dealing with a situation. The Programmes Officer also added that to promote peer to peer support members of a group can do Internal Savings and Lending as a livelihood to enhance their household income. The position was cemented by women who are doing business who elaborated on the pain the PLWHIV went through when they were not selected as beneficiaries in the LEAN Programme being implemented by World Vision, she elaborated that PLWHIV consider themselves as a vulnerable group which should be

given first preference by donors. In tandem with the idea the programmes officer highlighted that days gone by when HIV was considered a disease which is a threat to human life now it is considered a condition that a person can with and is not a limit for a person to be productive. With the condition a person can still set and achieve goals. Therefore, the programmes officer motivated the group to go and form CAGs which will be catalyst for group projects.

Below are pictures of the FGDs held.



Internal Savings and Lending is a tried and tested livelihood strategy which if articulated and monitored well obviously leads to sustainable livelihood. After the trainings one group of 7 women from Ward 2 Chitungwiza has managed to implement the idea of Internal Savings and Lending by forming their ISAL group and started savings and lending.



2. TO IMPROVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME, FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH

i) To improve household income.

Internal Savings and Lending and Business Management Trainings

The Programmes Officer facilitated the Internal Savings and Lending and Business Management trainings to a total of 14 (1M 13F) participants who intended to start the ISAL Programme. The main topics covered during the trainings were formation of a project group, constitution building, leadership styles, qualities of good and bad leader, recording and record keeping, types of records, importance of records, duties of each committee member, project and programme management, planning and budgeting, problem solving and reporting. These topics were found to be fundamental and leads to sustainable programmes as members have basic understanding of running a project.

Participants were trained in project documents. Firstly was the constitution which works as the policy document of the project. The Programmes Officer highlighted that for a project to function there is need of a constitution which contains name of the project, date formulated,

location, objectives and the sustainability aspects among other operational fundamentals. It is the constitution which governs contact and behavior of projects for some people joins projects for instant financial benefits.

Below are the pictures of people trained in internal savings and lending.

Women in business ISAL

PLWHIV ISAL group ward 2



Goat rearing project

A total of 4 goat rearing projects are being supported by Tony Waite Organisation benefiting a total of 32 (5M 27F). Of the 4 projects one is for People with Disability Tariro Hupenyu Disability Support Group in Chidyamugwamu which has 10 (4M 6F) and is doing well with the members having contributed to buy medications like ivocip for dosing and dibha. Others are benefiting women in Kariba rural who are aspiring to be meaningful participants in development through small live stock farming. All the four goat rearing projects are performing well as groups are still intact implying that there is unit of purpose among the project beneficiaries. Budiriro group in Chitate Village in Siakobvu has managed to relocate their goats as baboons were trying to prey on their goats, they also managed to make contributions and have USD6 in their treasury which they intent to add so that if disease outbreak occurs they will use to buy vaccines or medications for their animals. Kubatana group in Munamata has 2 expecting goats.

Rutendo, Budiriro Project Tariro Hupenyu and Manhanga Projects

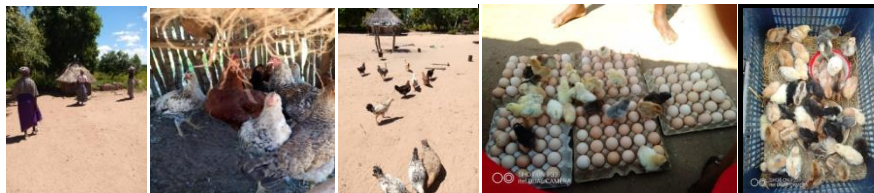


Piggery project

The piggery project has continued making strides achieving some set milestones including creating employment for youths and women. Beneficiary has diversified the piggery project into crop farming and chicken rearing. He is expecting a bumper harvest of both maize and soya beans which he intends to use as feed supplements for the pigs. At the moment another pig has given birth to a total of 9 piglets to make a total of 9 pigs.

Chicken rearing project

The economic strengthening project of the organisation also includes indigenous poultry. 3 chicken rearing projects, 2 in Kariba Rural in Manhanga and Siakobvu respectively and the other 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. All of the projects are hitting the ground running and notable achievements are noticeable especially from the ones in Siakobvu and Kariba Urban ward 2. Members of Munamata chicken rearing project in Siakobvu managed to construct a bigger pen, added 20 hens and they have done food for work to gather funds to buy sorghum feed and vaccines and medications for the chickens. Chickens were once affected by mites but they managed to treat with no chickens dying. The beneficiary of the chicken project in Kariba urban is continuing building her house and now at window level, she highlighted that feed for the chickens is a challenge she sometimes face but she feeds those laying eggs so that she sells the eggs and get money to buy the feed.



Reusable sanitary wear project

The organisation is supporting 2 sanitary wear production projects in Kariba Urban. There is increased demand of reusable sanitary wear pads in Kariba urban as people became conversant with the product. Women and girls are continually knocking the organisation's doors in search of sanitary wear pads. The Programmes Officer and the Executive Director gives clients instructions of use. Feedback from clients proves that the product is user friendly despite the fact that women are not familiar with placing their sanitary exposed to the sun without a towel covering it however education is continually being given to clients.

NUTRITIONAL GARDENS

Tony Waite Organisation is supporting a total of 4 nutritional gardens with 3 of them being utilized fully, Charara Primary School garden for OVC has not been functional as schools were closed and the children went for holidays. Padare garden in Mahombekombe after harvesting re planted maize, ZIHOPFE and Charara garden for People Living with HIV are all fully operational with 98% of land being utilized and currently harvesting maize, sweet potato. They are selling green beans and they are nursing vegetables. At Padare garden members have planted fruits like guava and pawpaw which are highly nutritious which are shared among the members when they are ripe so that each member has a portion. At ZIHOPFE garden members are continuing using compost to increase the fertility of their soil.



3) NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

Nutritional support is one of the thematic areas for Tony Waite Organisation. The aim being to promote adherence as research through group discussions with clients on palliative care and OVC has postulated that some people may fail to adhere due to lack of food as some medications require food for them to work. Without food they may lead to dizziness or fatigue. Therefore, through the kapenta fishing, processing and marketing project the organisation managed to support a total of 13 households of people with chronic illnesses consisting of 62 (36M 26F) indirect beneficiaries who are not on World Vision's LEAN Programme, with one kg of kapenta. PLWHIV shared their challenges during focus group discussions with the Programmes Officer at the organisation's premises regarding formation of CAGs. They highlighted that they needed nutritional support to help them adhere as some are lacking access to decent meals. A total of 5 (3M 2F) infants benefited from infant feeding programme. There is increased demand for milk formula for infants in Kariba due to suckling mother's fatalities.



4) MEDICAL SUPPORT

A total of 457(50M 407F) were reached with SHHR information which led to a total of 41 (19M 22F) getting tested for HIV. The figure comprises those reached through the Women and child health project and those reached PMTCT 71(20M 51F) and 15 couples were motivated to go for couple ante-natal booking and couple testing. The trained community cares managed to offer TB adherence support to a total of 3(3M 0F) asthma clients 5(1m 4 f) and 5(4M 1F) cancer clients.

A total of 97 (20M 77F) PLWHIV were met at office to discuss on the various issues within the enabling environment of adherence. Included within the discussions is formation of CAGS, ISAL

groups and the contribution of community volunteers in promoting adherence to clients living with chronic illnesses.

Below is a table of patients seen for HBC and Palliative Care:

NEW CLIENTS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
CATEGORY			
BED RIDDEN	0	0	0
AMBULATORY	1	1	2
WORKING	0	1	1
TOTAL	1	2	3
TOTAL CLIENTS SEEN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
BED RIDDEN	2	2	4
AMBULATORY	1	1	2
WORKING	90	189	279
TOTAL	93	192	285
CLIENTS SEEN ON ART	90	189	279
NUMBER OF DEATHS	1	0	1
CAREGIVERS AT HOUSE LEVEL	9	34	43
FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE	1	28	29
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN	23	24	47
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART	20	22	42
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART	70	167	237
HOME VISITS CHILDREN	23	24	47
HOME VISITS ADULTS	76	182	258
TOTAL HOME VISITS	99	206	305

KAPENTA PROJECT

Tony Waite Organisation is running a Kapenta Fishing Processing and Marketing Project with fishing taking place at Chalala and Marketing taking place in Kariba. The project aims to sustain

the organisation and its programmes. Catches for the month were lower than February with 28, 9% (Feb 3208kgs and March 2522kgs). Holding other factors constantly output for the month was generally low despite breakdowns and bad weather. A total 21 (7M 16F) people were employed under kapenta project with 10 as fishing crew and 7 (3M 3F) as kapenta packers, 4 (3M 1F) employed as merchandisers in N Richards Shops at Karoi, Chinhoyi, Chipinge and Jerera ***The pictures below shows kapenta processing process until the end user including loaded rig to chalala***

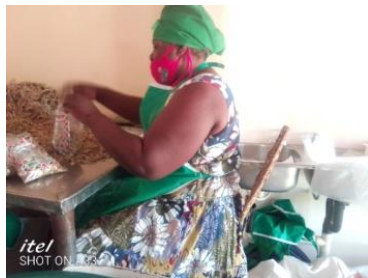
Wet kapenta harbor



Weighing



Kapenta delivered to office



Kapenta Linkage Grant

No fish was bought during the month as the planned week had other emergency issues leading into full moon and had to leave for the intended buying trip to Chalala on 31/3/21

5) TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE LEGAL AND SCHOLASTIC SUPPORT

Tony Waite Organisation is supporting pupils at Nyanhewe Primary School, Nyamhunga Primary, Mahombekombe Primary School, and students from Nyamhunga Secondary and Mahombekombe Secondary School. Fees for a female student doing Higher National Diploma at Bulawayo Polytechnic College were paid for in March 2021. During the month school uniform was bought for a female OVC at Nyanhewe Primary School.

6) PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

A total of 350 (107M 243F) youths were reached with SRHR education through face to face interaction as well as various social media platforms like facebook and Whatsup. From the total

Among them 13 (6M 7F) are Youths out of School in ward 5 Mahombekombe. Youths during the meetings expressed their worry due to upsurge of teenage school dropouts caused by unwanted pregnancies. During the discussions youths highlighted that it is because of lack of engagements that they are engaging in some unbecoming behaviors. Youths were however encouraged to form groups and come up with business projects so that they become meaningful participants in development. ***Below are the pictures of the meeting with ward 5 youths in Mahombekombe.***



6) TO IMPROVE COORDINATION:

The organisation coordinated with other stakeholders in different meetings and colloquiums. During the month the organisation attended DAC meeting taskforce meetings, Grievance



Redress Mechanism Committee, WCoZ, DAAC stakeholders meeting, Meeting with Ministry of Justice and NANGO.

SAFAIDS CAPACITY ASSESMENT VISIT

Tony Waite Organisation partners with other stakeholders in programme formulation, implimentation and monitoring and evaluation, therefore during the month an assessment visit was contacted by SAFAIDS team from its Head quarters represented by the Country Coordinator Mr Musarurwa, the Senior Programmes Officer Mr Dembure and the Finance Officer Mr David. Tony Waite was represented by its Board Chairperson Mr Chirengende, Board Treasurer Mr Chikede and Admin staff represented by Executive Director Ms Vengere, Programmes Officer Mr Wenga, Finance Officer Mrs Mufari and Finance Assistant Mr Mudzudza. The visit followed submission of expression of interest to implement Integrate programme. It is important to note that the performance of the organisation was found effective in its programme implimentation, monitoring and evaluation and reporting though recommendations for improvement were made as assessments help to identify other gaps. After the meeting the Programmes Officer had a tour of the factory with the quadruple

showing them kapenta packing process and they bought packed Kapenta from Tony Waite. ***The pictures below shows the meeting processions at the organisation's office.***



STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- A new student intern awarded attachment place and received orientation
- Staff meeting
- Partner conference

SUCCESS

- 2 groups were trained in Internal Savings and Lending and have started the savings.
- Continued COVID-19 education sessions in communities and social media.
- Kapenta Linkage Grant being implemented
- The organisation has a total of 12 economic strengthening projects in the community (3 urban and 9 rural) classified as 1 piggery, 1 bakery, 3 sewing, 3 chicken, 4 goat rearing

CHALLENGES

- Need for a 4x4 vehicle to access rural terrain and funding for integrated SRHR outreach services for hard to reach areas
- There is need for food items as vulnerability is increasing due to COVID-19 induced lockdown.
- Need for more funding towards infant feeding as demand for milk formula is increasing.

7) PLANNED ACTIVITIES

C& HBC, monthly PMTCT Ward meetings, youth Clubs and Support Group meetings, monitoring of livelihood, Piggery project monitoring, food distribution, infant feeding programme, fish buying and selling.

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