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## MARCH 2026 MONTHLY REPORT

<b>Vision</b>	Healthy community that can 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 to have a knowledgeable community

### ORGANISATION BACKGROUND

Tony Waite Organisation (TWO) is a private voluntary organization (PVO 45/11) operating in Kariba urban and rural and hard to reach areas (fishing camps) where communities are separated from service providers by the large body of water in Lake Kariba. The organisation started as a foundation in 1993 following the death of Tony Waite who was working for Zambezi River Authority, he was an orphan and did not have a family or relatives around, he got infected with HIV after using and injecting drugs. He went public about his HIV status in 1991 on World AIDS day in Chaminuka Stadium in Mahombekombe, Kariba and died in Jan 9192. 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.

## ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

<b>i)</b>	<b>AIDS</b>	Acquired Immuno Deficiency Syndrome
<b>ii)</b>	<b>DAC</b>	District AIDS Coordinator
<b>iii)</b>	<b>DDC</b>	District Development Coordinator
<b>iv)</b>	<b>EMTCT</b>	Elimination of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV
<b>v)</b>	<b>GBV</b>	Gender Based Violence
<b>vi)</b>	<b>H.A.C</b>	Harare Athletics Club
<b>vii)</b>	<b>HIV</b>	Human Immuno Deficiency Virus
<b>viii)</b>	<b>MoHCC</b>	Ministry of Health and Child Care
<b>ix)</b>	<b>MoPSE</b>	Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education
<b>x)</b>	<b>OVC</b>	Orphans and Vulnerable Children
<b>xi)</b>	<b>PVO</b>	Private Voluntary Organisation
<b>xii)</b>	<b>SRHR</b>	Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights
<b>xiii)</b>	<b>TWO</b>	Tony Waite Organisation
<b>xiv)</b>	<b>WCoZ</b>	Women's Coalition of Zimbabwe
<b>xv)</b>	<b>ZNNP+</b>	Zimbabwe National Network of People Living with HIV
<b>xvi)</b>	<b>ZRA</b>	Zambezi River Authority
<b>xvii)</b>	<b>ZRP</b>	Zimbabwe Republic Police

## **INTRODUCTION**

Tony Waite Organisation thrives to achieve its objectives through offering adherence support to people living with chronic, life limiting conditions with their families, Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights education to adolescent girls, boys and youths. The Organisation also offers scholastic support and psychosocial support to OVC, elderly and Gender Based Violence survivors through economic strengthening projects to enhance economic freedom.

The organisation has continued to strengthen its synergies and networks through coordinating with several stakeholders like the District Social Development, Women Affairs, MOH&CC, MoPSE, Municipality of Kariba, District Development Coordinator, Nyaminyami Rural District Council, DAC, ZRP, WCoZ and ZRA. Of note is that ZNNP+ has partnered the organisation through Social Contracting to implement the Tayeyegwa HIV TB integration project in Kariba District and activities are ongoing.

## **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**

Tony Waite Organisation works closely with like-minded organisations, line ministries, and government departments, including the Department of Social Development and the Ministry of Women's Affairs, Community, Small and Medium Enterprises Development, in programme implementation, monitoring, and evaluation. During the reporting month, referrals from the Department of Social Development and community carers for psychosocial and scholastic support continued, demonstrating strong functional referral systems and effective collaboration in responding to the needs of vulnerable children and families.

## TO IMPROVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME, FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH

Tony Waite Organisation has continued to support a total of **447 people (220M 227F)** through sustainable livelihood projects. These initiatives include nutritional gardens, poultry production, piggery, and goat rearing.

The main objectives of the Economic Strengthening Projects are to:

- **Create an enabling environment** for women to become active participants in development.
- **Reduce dependency** among women by equipping them with productive skills and resources.
- **Improve household income and nutrition** through meaningful engagement in sustainable livelihood activities.

Support and supervision for livelihood projects continued throughout the reporting period, with implementation progressing as planned. There were no significant changes recorded in project activities, and beneficiaries did not secure or open new markets for their products during this period.

### NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

A total of 3 infants (2M 1F) continued to receive monthly Lactogen formula, providing a critical nutritional support. However, food insecurity in the community remains severe, with no immediate signs of relief. Persistent household food shortages continue to undermine child nutrition, caregiver coping capacity, and overall wellbeing, underscoring the urgent need for sustained and scaled-up food and nutrition support to prevent further deterioration among vulnerable households. Pictures below shows infant feeding distribution.



### 3. MEDICAL SUPPORT

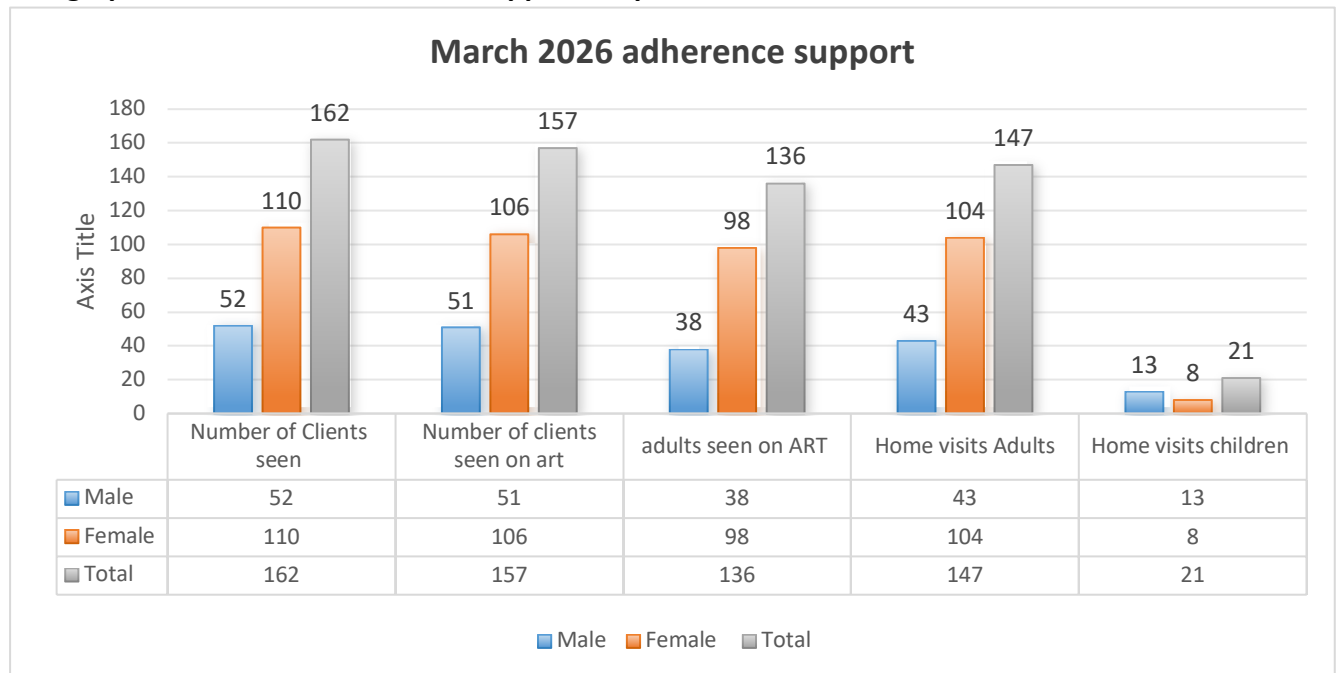
A total of 17 (1M 16F) people were reached with SRHR information during the reporting period. The numbers were reached through the organisation's community carers. The main objective of the SRH programme is to help people make informed decisions, creating demand for services and linking the community to service providers. The main areas covered are reproductive health and informed decision making. A total of 5 (2M 3F) were referred

for HIV testing and counselling at local clinics and a total of 1 (1M 2F) received TB adherence support. A total of 19 couples were reached with EMTCT education through partner support during pre- natal and neo natal stages. One child with Leukemia in Makande continue to receive medical support through procurement of medication.

**Table1: clients seen for Adherence Support**

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>MALE</b>	<b>FEMALE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>NEW CLIENTS</b>			
BEDRIDDEN	0	0	0
AMBULATORY	0	0	0
WORKING	2	4	6
<b>TOTAL NEW CLIENTS</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>TOTAL CLIENTS SEEN</b>	<b>MALE</b>	<b>FEMALE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
BEDRIDDEN	0	3	3
AMBULATORY	0	2	2
WORKING	51	105	156
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>161</b>
NUMBER OF DEATHS	1	1	2
NUMBER OF FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE AT HOME	6	14	20
FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE	0	21	21
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN	13	8	21
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART	13	8	21
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN	39	102	141
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART	38	98	136
HOME VISITS CHILDREN	13	9	21
HOME VISITS ADULTS	43	104	147
<b>TOTAL HOME VISITS</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>168</b>

The graph below shows adherence support outputs in March 2026



The objective of the adherence and palliative care program is to improve the quality of life of patients and their families through integrated medical and psychosocial support. The program is being implemented in close coordination with the Ministry of Health and Child Care (MoHCC), where a trained community nurse is responsible for all clinical and medical aspects, while the organisation provides psychosocial support to clients and their caregivers. Despite operating with limited resources, the program continues to be sustained through this collaborative approach.

During the reporting month, a total of 3 clients (1 male and 2 females) received tuberculosis (TB) adherence support from trained community carers, contributing to improved treatment compliance and overall wellbeing. However, the program recorded two deaths during the same period, involving one client living with epilepsy and an elderly client who developed a heart condition. These cases highlight the ongoing need for strengthened palliative care support and resource mobilisation to better respond to complex and chronic health conditions within the community.

### **KAPENTA LINKAGE PROJECT**

Kapenta fishing activities during the reporting month showed clear and encouraging improvements in catches, largely driven by more stable weather conditions. In contrast to previous periods marked by strong winds and rough waters, the lake experienced calmer conditions with minimal disturbances, enabling rigs to consistently access fishing grounds and carry out net setting and hauling operations more efficiently. As a result, catches increased significantly compared to prior months, contributing to a steady recovery in production levels. Although output has not yet reached peak performance, the noticeable improvement in harvest volumes reflects a positive upward trend, and the continued stability in weather conditions is expected to further support increased catches and sustained growth in kapenta production in the coming months.

Welder removing water in pantoons

Electrician fitting lights on rigs

Kapenta trays being ferried from harbor to drying racks

Kapenta being dried on racks



## SCHOLASTIC

Support continued for the 22 (10M 12F) who got their fees paid.

## PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

During the reporting period, the organisation continued to provide critical psychosocial support to vulnerable children and families within the community. A total of 5 (4M 1F) benefited from the program. Following a devastating fire incident that destroyed a home and left orphaned children without basic necessities, the organisation facilitated the distribution of clothing for orphans to help restore dignity and meet their immediate needs. The organisation also extended emergency assistance to the family through the provision of an emergency food pack to address immediate food insecurity. Although the family has received psychosocial support and is gradually coping with the trauma, their livelihood was severely affected as their business was destroyed by the fire; therefore, there is a critical need for financial assistance to enable restocking and recovery of their income-generating activities. In addition, a child who had successfully completed tuberculosis (TB) treatment benefited from clothing support as part of reintegration and recovery efforts; the child is reportedly recovering well, showing positive health outcomes including steady weight gain. Furthermore, in line with strengthening child protection and access to essential services, the organisation supported one child in acquiring a birth certificate, thereby enhancing the child's legal identity and access to social services. Overall, these interventions contributed to improved wellbeing, resilience, and social protection for the affected beneficiaries.

Tony Waite Organisation, through *the Leaving No One and No Place Behind* initiative, successfully facilitated the participation of four women with disabilities in the district cookout competition, in line with the priorities of the National Development Strategy 1 (NDS2) under **Social Development and Inclusive Growth**. The organisation invested a total of USD 315.86 towards the procurement of traditional equipment, utensils, and ingredients to support their effective participation. Through established community structures, women with disabilities from Kariba District were identified and mobilised to take part in the competition. The registered participants were the only competitors in their category, and from this group, an outstanding participant will advance to the provincial competitions scheduled for 27 April. The involvement of women with disabilities is particularly significant as they are often excluded from socio-economic opportunities. Their participation promotes inclusion, builds confidence, and challenges societal stigma, while also creating potential pathways for economic empowerment. This initiative therefore contributes to advancing

national development priorities on inclusion, social protection, and community empowerment as outlined in NDS2.

The winner walked away with a complete gas stove set, including a tank and 2 burner home cooking gas stove. In her remarks, the winner emphasised the importance of creating more opportunities for women with disabilities to participate in such competitions, noting that these platforms provide a conducive environment to showcase their talents many of which often remain hidden due to limited opportunities and exclusion from mainstream activities.

**Below are some of the pictures during the cookout competition.**



## STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Staff meeting.

## COORDINATION

The organisation continued to actively coordinate HIV and other development-related initiatives with key stakeholders and like-minded partners. During the reporting month, it participated in ZKPA and DAAC meetings, strengthening collaboration and information sharing. The organisation also attended a Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe (RBZ) monetary policy meeting aimed at sensitising stakeholders in Kariba on the introduction of new currency notes. Additionally, TWO took part in the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education (MoPSE) National Consultative Strategy Development meeting, as well as a meeting convened by the United States Embassy. Further engagement included participation in the Clean Cities Awards, District Cookout Competition preparatory meetings, and Independence Day planning meetings. The organisation chairs and attended Zimbabwe AIDS Network (ZAN) leadership meeting during the reporting period. A quarterly Board meeting was also successfully held in line with the organisational plan.

## 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 volunteer training, community awareness outreaches & TB contact investigations.

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