

Tony Waite Organisation

HIV and AIDS Services

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Vision	Healthy community that is able to support each other in issues of HIV and AIDS and other developmental 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

INTRODUCTION

Tony Waite Organisation is Private Voluntary Organisation which operates in Kariba district in Mashonaland West Province. The organisation' mission is 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. To achieve its mandate of creating a healthy community that is bale to support each other in issues of HIV and AIDS and other developmental issues, Tony Waite Organisation coordinates with other local and regional stakeholders in program formulation, design, implimentation monitoring and evaluation. The organisation has 5 main thematic areas which are women's health and the New Born, OVC psychosocial support, Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) for adolescent boys and girls (double decor project), nutritional support and education support for Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC). The organisation is currently working with a total of 35 trained community carers who are responsible for client identification, recruitment and referrals for critical services as well as adherence support for patients living with life limiting conditions not limited to HIV and AIDS.

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 are mainly to enhance people's income and engage them as active participants in development as well as enhancing their access to services and information which will impact their life skills.

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

The organisation through trained community carers is continuing to identify orphans and vulnerable children, people with life limiting conditions in need of treatment, care and support including those who are in need of birth certificates, legal, nutritional ,scholastic and economic strengthening.

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 objectives of the Economic Strengthening Projects is to

- Create an enabling environment for women to become active participants in development and reduce dependency
- To improve their income and family nutrition through their meaningful engagement in development.

Goat rearing project

The organisation is supporting a total of 4 goat rearing projects with one for People with Disabilities in Ward 9 of Kariba Rural in Chidyamugwamu, one for women in Manhanga and 2 for women in Siakobvu. People with Disability in Chidyamugwamu managed to sell a total of 7 goats and share the proceeds among the project beneficiaries.

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.

NUTRITIONAL GARDENS

Nutritional gardens were established to serve 2 main functions that are to improve household nutrition and enhance income at the event there is surplus for sale. 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. During the reporting period 3 gardens were operational with only Charara garden for OVC not functional after it was destroyed by elephants. Charara garden for people living with HIV has been revived with members harvesting sweet potato and selling to the local community and Nyamhunga People's Market. The members had to improvise after their energizer had a fault so they did not have electricity to deter animals from attacking their crops. Padare garden has been fully utilised with all members utilising all of their space in the garden. The members during the reporting period negotiations with Nyamhunga People's Market so that they start supplying fresh vegetables to the market. They have continued to trade with Caribbea Bay Hotel and local community after elephants plundered vegetables in community gardens. The organisation is in the process of assisting the members to reregister with ZPC Sports Club and canteen so that they resume supplies.

3) NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT.

Tony Waite Organisation received a donation of food hampers from Kariba International Tiger Fishing Tournament. The donation comprised of 1 tone maize, 500kgs mealie meal and rice, soya chunks, 1 350 kgs of potatoes, drinks and nutritious instant maheu. The donation has benefited orphans and vulnerable children, elderly, people living with HIV on adherence support and those with disabilities including 11 children with disabilities who are at an informal boarding school at Musambakaruma Nyaminyami rural district in Kariba rural. The beneficiaries expressed their happiness towards such a donation. Following is the breakdown of those who benefited:

- Total beneficiaries 751 (301 m 450 f) from 223 households ,out of these:
- 413 (204 m 209 f) are children while 338 (104m 234f) are adults.
- We further break down those with :
- Disabilities are 36 (18m 18f)
- Elderly 125 (23 m 102f)

• Adherence support 79 (26m 53f)

Some households got maize meal while others got mealie meal but every house hold got potatoes, rice and mahewu with others getting chunks. Community carers helped with the food distribution.

Below are photos of receiving the donations from KITFT, preparations for feed and the distribution itself



Preparation for Distribution at Tony Waite Organisation



Beneficiaries receiving food items at Tony Waite offices





Mahombekombe park



4) MEDICAL SUPPORT

Tony Waite organisation through its trained community carers is implementing the SRHR program which encompasses the adherence support program (palliative care) and community meetings. A total of 219 (99M 120F) among them are 98(38M 60F) adolescents reached with SRHR information during the reporting period, among them are those reached through the organisation's Whatsapp peer group, physical meetings at the organisation's premises which is being used as the youth corner. The main areas covered by the organisation includes informed decision making, drug and substance abuse, sexuality, maternal health, social norms affecting women, adolescent access to services and teenage pregnancies. A total of 38(8M 30F) got HIV testing and counseling among them are 11 female adolescents. A total of 5 (3M 2F) received TB adherence support during the month. Tony Waite Organisation is also contributing towards the 2030 target of ending AIDS therefore the organisation is continuing with EMTCT programme and a total of 71(11M 60F) were reached with education. The organisation is also using community structures to engage men in Women's Health and the New Born issues due to the fact that male involvement is a challenge hence a total of 24 couples were engaged in ANC discussions during the month. Physical and emotional violence especially among married people is common in Kariba and the main cause being infidelity by both parties as well finance related challenges therefore, a total of 6 (3M 3F) received GBV related assistance with one men reported to police, prosecuted and imprisoned for assaulting his wife and children.

NEW CLIENTS	MALI	E FEMALE	TOTAL
CATEGORY			
BED RIDDEN	0	0	0
AMBULATORY	0	0	0
WORKING	0	2	2

Table1: HBC patients seen for Adherence Support

TOTAL CLIENTS SEEN BED RIDDEN AMBULATORY WORKING	MALE 0 0 56	FEMALE 0 1	TOTAL 0
AMBULATORY	0		-
		1	1
WORKING	56		
		119	175
TOTAL	56	120	176
NUMBER OF DEATHS	0	1	1
NUMBER OF FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE AT HOME	35	92	135
FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE	0	17	17
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN	15	18	33
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART	12	16	28
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART	45	103	148
HOME VISITS CHILDREN	15	18	33
HOME VISITS ADULTS		112	164
TOTAL HOME VISITS	67	130	197

KAPENTA LINKAGE PROJECT

The organisation has continued with the Kapenta fishing processing and marketing project employing a total of 22(18M 4F) employees. Among them are 5 women employed under kapenta packing. The number includes both full time and part time employees. Tony Waite Organisation is continuing with fresh fish and dried kapenta marketing and monitoring with prospects of new markets in midlands and Harare Metropolitan Provinces respectively.

Rig repairs and maintenance Fish marketing



5. PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

A total of 112 (40M 72F) were reached with SRHR information through the organisation's Whatsapp group and youth meetings. 11(5M 6F) Youth in School adolescent boys and girls continued to positively make use of the organisation's premises as youth corner. Among the topics discussed are adolescent development relationships and substance abuse. The youths present at the meeting postulated that lack of entertainment was the led factor to drug and substance abuse, they went on further to highlight that lack of recreational also made them to be idle thus turning to drug abuse. A household in Makande rural with 38 (12m 26f) was destroyed by Veld fires and the organisation supported with clothes for the affected family. The man has 6 wives with 32 children (21f 11m) all below the age of 18 years and 16(6m 10F) going to school.

Houses gutted by fire, monthly grocery for Shawn Matenga and monthly adolescent SRH meetings



6. SCHOLASTIC SUPPORT

A total of 69 (37M 32F) OVC benefited from school related assistance from the organisation. Among them 18(4M 14F) got their school fees paid at Nyamhunga primary school 13 (6M 7F), Mahombekombe Primary School 2(1M 1F), Nyanhewe Primary School 2(1M 1F) and 1M at Mahombekombe Secondary School. The organisation also bought school uniforms for a total of 18 (14M 4F) at Mahombekombe Primary School the organisation is doing so to buttress government BEAM program which is paying school fees for less privileged children in the community. Below shoe maker, Mahombekombe primary receive uniforms also head &programmes officer encourage learning to student receiving fees payment



STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- Staff meetings
- Volunteer feedback meetings

7. TO IMPROVE COORDINATION

Tony Waite organisation continues with stakeholder coordination in program design, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and reporting. During the month attended the WCoZ engagement meeting with Ministry of WASMED where the Provincial Manager encouraged women to be actively participates in development rather than depending solely on their husbands. The organisation also continued with Monitoring and Evaluation of the GIZ funded Backup Project on Health where the Programmes Officer among other monitors where trained. Attended ZKPA meeting, Nyaodza sub catchment council where the Executive Director was voted in as vice chair for 2023. The director was also part of the facilitators in formulation of Pamuhacha' s 5 year strategic plan.

Tony Waite Organisation also attended the Provincial AIDS Coordinating meeting formulation, implimentation, monitoring and Evaluation of HIV intervention programmes is done, of note during the meeting was an assessment of stakeholder intervention in Drugs and substance use programming where it was identified that there are lots of gaps in drug and substance abuse awareness and education in the Province and there are alarming rates of drug and substance abuse leading crime and deviance especially among adolescent boys and girls. In addition to that the organisation also participated in the Small and Medium Enterprises exhibitions in Nyamhunga Stadium so as to give inventors and innovators in Zimbabwe a platform to showcase their products, the event was graced by the Deputy Minister for WASMED who upon visiting Tony Waite Organization booth applauded the organisation's kapenta linkage project especially on the quality of the fish products and their affordability. The organisation managed to commemorate world palliative care day. The following are photos of activities

Palliative Care Day Commemoration at TM Grounds



Deputy Minister for WASMED who upon visiting Tony Waite Organisation exhibition stand



World Vision grant closure stakeholders meeting

Patsaka Trust Social heckathon





Manhanga primary 3 yr monitoring by Japanese Embassy

Successes

- > People living with HIV participating in nutrition gardens with some self-sustaining
- Continuous supply of milk Formula to triplets and nutritional 10ther orphan
- > Japanese Embassy monitoring support visit for improving the School learning environment at Manhanga Primary School.
- Continued with kapenta fishing, processing, marketing and monitoring.

Challenges

- Lack of 4x4 off road vehicle for project monitoring and evaluation in Kariba Rural
- Bad weather affecting kapenta fishing
- Lack of volunteer incentives leading to volunteer lethargy.

8. PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- OVC and Elderly clothes distribution program
- Adherence Support program
- Monthly SRHR and EMTCT 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
- Uniform distribution Kadziro primary in Nyaminyami rural.

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