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Vision	Healthy community that can support each other in issues of HIV and AIDS, other chronic conditions and development related issues.
Mission	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 Organization (TWO) is a private voluntary organization (PVO 45/11) operating in Kariba urban and rural 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. 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

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

INTRODUCTION

Tony Waite Organisation 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 stakeholders have since been sensitised.

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

Coordination with the Department of Social Development continued for vulnerable members of the community. Referrals for nutritional and scholastic support continued and supported an infant with Nan whose mother failed to lactate due to her health condition. There has been continued requests for food handouts among recipients of care especially those on TB treatment, however the issue remains unsolved.

TO IMPROVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME, FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH

Tony Waite Organisation has continued to support a total of **445 people (220 males and 225 females)** 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.

Through these interventions, the organisation continues to empower communities, promote self-reliance, and strengthen resilience at both household and community levels. During the month, two women were supported through the revolving loan facility. One beneficiary used the loan to start a small income-generating project to support her two children living 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. The objective of this assistance is to build their capacity to meet essential needs such as food and education, thereby enhancing their overall well-being

These projects deliberately target women and youths who have often been excluded from the development matrix due to limited access to, and ownership of, productive assets as well as lack of technical know-how in managing profit-making initiatives.

To address these gaps, the organisation is supporting various small capital projects, including sewing, cosmetics, goat rearing, and chicken rearing. These initiatives aim to promote income generation, enhance self-reliance, and improve overall household resilience.

Monitoring and Assessment of Nutritional Gardens

Monitoring and assessment support has continued for the three functional nutritional gardens (Padare- Mahombekombe, ZIHOPFE- 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. **ZIHOPFE 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 ZIHOPFE 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 (PLWHIV) 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 SUPPORT

A total of two female infants were supported with infant feeding formula (NAN1) during the month. Both infants have their mothers alive; however, due to medical conditions that do not support lactation, formula feeding was recommended by medical practitioners.

3. MEDICAL SUPPORT

A total of 150 (56M 94F) people were reached with SRHR information during the reporting period. 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 5 (2M 3F) were referred for HIV testing and counselling at local clinics and a total of 3 (2M 1F) received TB adherence support. A total of 6 couples were reached with EMTCT education through partner support during pre- natal and neo natal stages. During the month 2 women were given GBV related assistance.

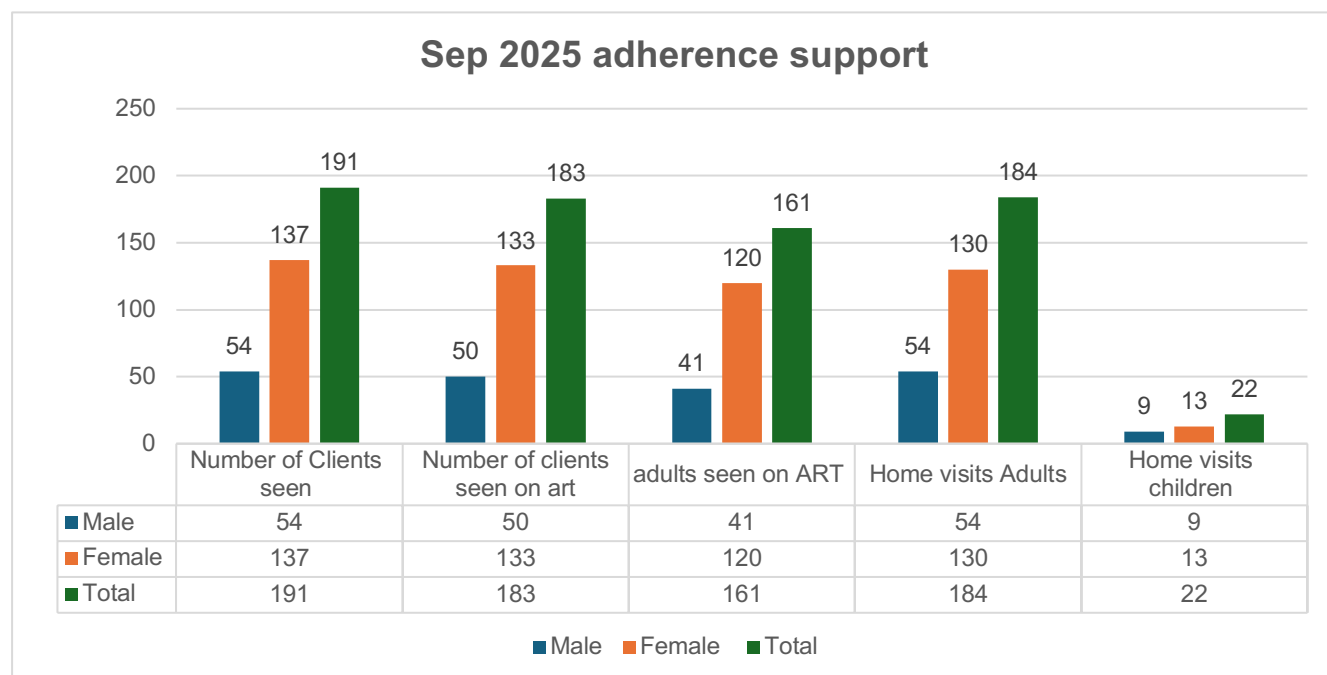
Table1: clients seen for Adherence Support

CATEGORY	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
NEW CLEINTS			
BEDRIDDEN	0	1	1
AMBULATORY	0	2	2
WORKING	1	0	1
TOTAL NEW CLIENTS	1	3	4
TOTAL CLIENTS SEEN	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
BEDRIDDEN	2	3	5
AMBULATORY	1	4	5

WORKING	51	130	181
TOTAL	54	137	191
NUMBER OF DEATHS	2	0	2
NUMBER OF FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE AT HOME	11	15	26
FACILITATORS PROVIDING SERVICE	1	16	17
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN	9	12	21
NUMBER OF CHILDREN SEEN ON ART	9	13	22
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN	43	121	164
NUMBER OF ADULTS SEEN ON ART	41	120	160
HOME VISITS CHILDREN	9	17	26
HOME VISITS ADULTS	54	130	184
TOTAL HOME VISITS	63	147	210

Palliative care program the aim of improving the quality of life. There are 4 (2m 2f) bedridden clients with 2 males being spastic quad and elderly with fractured hip.

The graph below shows adherence support outputs in July 2025.



Tayeyegwa HIV TB Integration Project

The Tayeyegwa Project has three distinct objectives which are:

1. To facilitate TB contact investigation in Kariba Urban and Rural.
2. -To enhance community knowledge on TB & HIV through community outreaches.
3. -To facilitate access to both prevention & treatment for all eligible patients.

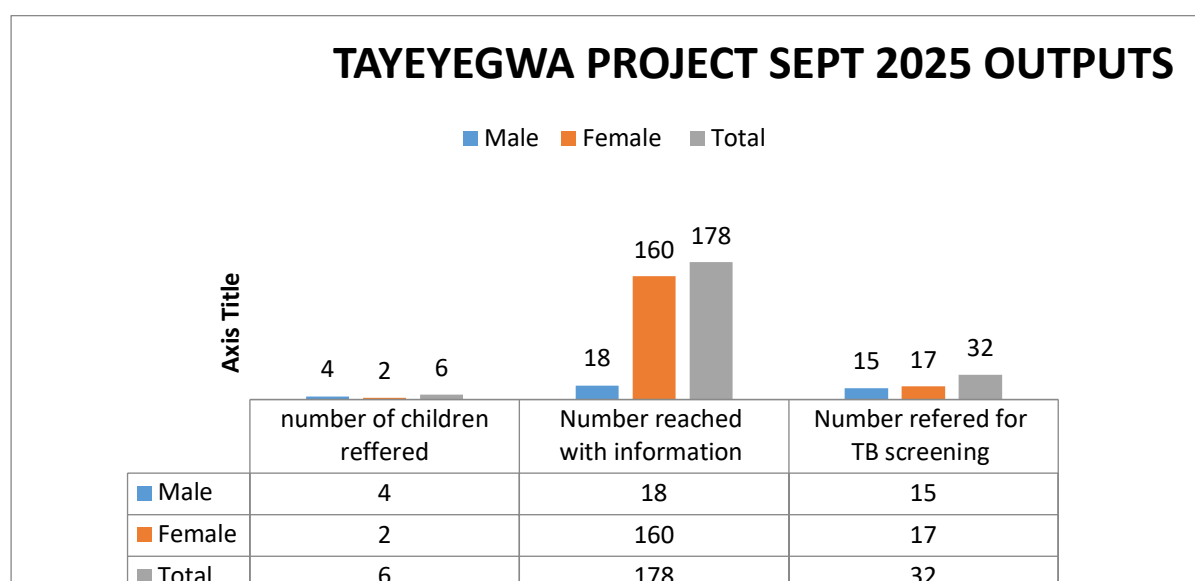
The objectives of the project will be realised through active engagement with the community so that there is no misinformation and information gaps between the community and service providers. Therefore, the following strategies are being used to engage the community.

- Focus group discussions with targeted groups like People Living with HIV, Fishermen, small scale miners as well as people living in congested areas
- Community outreaches targeting men, women and youths
- Support groups for people with life limiting conditions.

Key findings from the strategies

The community demonstrated general knowledge about tuberculosis (TB) and expressed awareness that compromised immunity increases susceptibility to opportunistic infections, including TB. While they understood that TB treatment is provided free of charge, there was uncertainty regarding the availability of treatment at local health facilities. As a result, community members were encouraged to visit their nearest health facilities for medical consultations and accurate information on TB care and treatment. Community outreaches are predominantly attended by women, as men are often engaged in income-generating and family upkeep activities.

The graph below shows project outputs for September 2025.



Below are community outreaches with Mr Mukunganya seated 3rd photo

Zihofe(Ms Vengere)

PaZabona (Mr Chepiri MoH&CC & Mr Wenga P/O TWO



Below are the pictures during the Focus Group Discussions at TWO Offices.

Part of the women who attended Programmes Officer & Director facilitating



KAPENTA LINKAGE PROJECT

During September, 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 compared to previous months, leading to reduced supply on the market and over income for the organisation during the month.

TOSE PAMWE [ADOLESCENT SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS (SRHR)].

A total of 129 (57M 72F) were reached with SRHR information. The objective of the organisation through the adolescent engagement meetings are as follows: Promoting Health and Well being through access 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.

Family Covenant Church youth retreat

Youth engagement at TWO offices



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 Entreprises 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.



SCHOLASTIC SUPPORT

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

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Board meetings

COORDINATION

The organisation also participated in the HPV & Measles Rubella, Ear Camp and Mass Drug Administration for Elephantiasis, 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 Executive Director is the Chairperson for the ZRA Grievance Redress Mechanism which held its meeting.

Below DAAC meeting & ZIMRA Stakeholder strategy engagement



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)
- Tayeyegwa HIV TB Integration Project community awareness outreaches & TB contact investigations.

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