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### OVC SOLOLO PROJECT

1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER JANUARY – MARCH 2016 REPORT

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#### INTRODUCTION

The year began with high hopes and expectation. The weather has been hot and dry with hottest temperatures felt in the month of March. Obbitu children received 2 new children making the total to 25. There are 311 children currently on the program. The new year have 244 enrolled to primary school and 18 in secondary and vocational training.

The program has been able to provide quality services for the children based on individual needs identified during home visits. Some of the major activities planned for the quarter were to update data for children enrolled and transited to the next level for progression.

HBC children were visited at home services provided according to the need based. Green house activities were at its lowest due to lack of water in our pans.

#### PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR THE QUARTER

- 1. Routine OVC services
- 2. Enrollment data
- 3. Health assessment activities
- 4. Green house activities
- 5. Obbitu children home

#### **QUANTATIVE SUMMARY OVC SERVICES**

#### OVC SUPPORTED BY THE PROGRAM

category	number
Underage not in school	32
Nursery school	51
School drop out	26
In primary school	192
In secondary school and	8
program	
Total	309
Secondary students not in	13
program/ vocational	
Grand total	322

#### 1. EDUCATION

The main activity was to monitor progression to the next level and to know new enrollment. This shows us the performance of our children in terms of transiting to the next class or level. The table below explains the number of children in primary schools, secondary and vocational training. Aphiaplus funded 150,000/= for secondary school fees which was shared among 15 students

LEVEL		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL
Nursery	51									51
Primary		25	18	27	34	18	30	27	13	192
secondary	8									8
vocational	3									3
Total										254



Abdi doing shopping of school requirements for Guyo Waqo from Sololo makutano who joined Sololo boys' secondary school.

Abduba riding Guyo to Sololo boys school for reporting.

Guyo Waqo Bulle was an OVC, he was left neglected after the families could not raise enough money to buy the school requirement and pay transport to moyale boys where he was admitted as form 1. After we learnt the case we mobilized ourselves to support Guyo to join Sololo boys, we donated materials and also raised some fund from Sololo project 5,700/=. Aphiaplus paid his full 1 year fees of kshs 24,350/=.

26 children were found not school and were categorized as dropout. 32 children were underage for enrollment into school. Children removed from program and were put under secondary schools were 10. Progress to secondary school last year was 5 children out of total 10 children who sat for primary school national examination. 9 children were rewarded for good result and taken to private academy near them where their school fees paid for by the program.

Secondary school fees were provided for 15 children and 3 for vocational training at local Obbu polytechnic

#### 2. FOOD AND NUTRITION

HBC children receive monthly food rations regularly, the food items includes, maize, beans, cooking oil, sugar, teal leaves, salts and a bar of soap. On monthly basis food ration estimate are as follow

NO	FOOD ITEMS	QUANTITY
1	Maize	30 kg
2	Beans	10kg
3	Sugar	1kg
4	Cooking oil	1 litre
5	tealeaves	2 pkts
6	salt	1 pkts
7	Bar soap	1 bar

The food was expected to last the families for 15 days of the month. Beside the food ration 23 families received extra food support with food vouchers attached to shops. 1 child from Madoadi continued to receive special diet due to her cerebral palsy condition.

#### 3. HEALTH ASSESSMENT AND NUTRITIONAL ASSESSMENT:

Health and nutritional assessment was a monthly activity where a targeted number of children were seen at school or at home. The children were physically examined for healthy conditions; any sign of infection are referred to health facilities. Height and body weight, MUAC measurements were also taken to find underweight or malnourished. There were high numbers of absenteeism during the time of assessment. This was mainly attributed to poor mobilization for the exercise and planning the activity in time.

MONTH	CHILDRN	NO. SEEN	NO. NOT	NO.
	TARGET		SEEN	MALNOURISHED
JANUARY	127	87	40	0
FEBRUARY	155	90	65	0
MARCH	53	26	27	0

#### **HEALTH CARE SERVICE**

Through NHIF insurance the OVC and their caregivers continued receiving inpatient services at Sololo hospital. Government facilities provided free outpatient services. Care givers were registered for NHIF outpatient services at Sololo hospital. The program has not been very effective. 12 households were registered under aphiaplus NHIF support.

Health assessment was being done along with nutritional assessment. HBC children were referred to the nearest GOK health facilities. No any major disease was reported.

Most children know their HIV status but still 15 do not know their HIV status.

#### 4. LEGAL PROTECTION

53 of our children still lack birth certificate according to our updated data of children without birth certificate. The challenge has been ignorance by the guardians on the importance of the certificates. We are giving continuous sensitization during home visit sand during HBC food distribution. We had informed them that they risk dropping from the program if they do not process the birth certificate application forms.

To further support them we have made photocopies of application forms for birth certificates but so that they collect and take them to the authority for signatures and return to us for processing the birth certificates.

#### 5. MONTHLY OVC HOME VISITS

The home visit was carried out to collect information on the child and family needs. The information was entered into the data base where the family and children needs were generated. Data was shared with the donor who then analysis and send us the updated information, it was

from this data base that we identified the services for each child and family. These services was promptly provided and reported in the subsequent month.

MONTHS	TARGET OVC	NO OF FAMILIES	NO. Of Children seen	Not seen	Reason for absence	Coverage rate %
January	70	21	70	0		100%
February	57	21	57	0		100%
March	43	15	43	0		100%

#### SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH DATA BASE

No	Type of services	Quantity
	Home clothes for HBC	23
	Home clothes for Obbitu new year	25
	Shoes for Obbitu children	14

#### 6. FOOD VOUCHER

23 families receive extra food through food voucher, they are extreme poverty families and with children with low weight. The families who benefit were generated from the nutritional data base updated by Dr. Pino. 3 shops were contracted to supply the food and through the signature of beneficiaries they were paid at the month. The food has been very help full to the children because it has improved underweight cases.

#### 7. OBBITU CHILDREN HOME

2 new children were admitted to Obbitu. This increased the total number of children to 13 girls and 12 boys. The children were healthy and active and play. They walked to school every morning as early as 5.30AM and back as a late as 6.00PM. They were provided with all their basic needs.

#### WATER

ged dry period experienced in Obbitu the water was economize the little clean tanks donkeys was used to community dam. The water the floor, clothes. The water kill germs and remove kept high standard of



in the northern Kenya, about to finish, to water we had in our fetch water from was used for cleaning was treated by PUR to turbidity. They children personal hygiene. No

case of waterborne disease was reported among the children

#### 8. FOOD AND NUTRITION

Obbitu children eat adequate food both in quantity and quality. The foods were well balanced especially in the 3 main food groups of starch, proteins and vitamins. The children ate 3-5 times per day. The food served in prepared time table to avoid monotony. There was less vegetables from greenhouse due to the drought and shortage of water in our water pans

#### 9. CLOTHING

Obbitu children were bought clothes during the New Year as present and celebration. The 2 new children were also bought clothes. Replacement of clothes, shoes were done on need based. Shoes were bought in bulk and stored in the store and issued to children when they come to replace the old ones.

#### 10. MAINTENANCE

The arrival of Dr. Pino and his analysis of the previous maintenance activity showed under performance by Bonaya. Though we reported the maintenance done by xy it did not show value for money. We agreed with the observation by Dr. Pino with series of management meeting to find way forward to improve the maintenance activities. The same was for yx where the main generators were working while 3 others not working. The motorbikes all grounded

## 11. OVC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

OVC management meeting was convened during the EMMAUS visit to CIPAD. This was one of the capacity and process used by CIPAD to provide quality services for OVC. Also this demonstrated the participation of the community institutions in OVC support. The agenda was to show Emmaus our capacity and community participation in Sololo project.



#### 12. GREEN HOUSE PROJECT.



Our water pans remained dry in the month of March. The nursery shade was well maintained. Tomatoes, onions, carrots, Moringa, are seedlings ready to be transplanted when the rain start. The green house beds and open fields' beds were made ready for transplanting the seedlings. Water was fetched manurely and nursey beds irrigated using watering can. Pawpaw was the main fruit we harvested. It was used for the children consumption.

#### 13. CATTLE

Obbitu children home own 6 cows; they do not live on the compound due to shortage of pasture. 1 watchman was assigned to take care of them. None of the 5 females have calved to produce

milk. 2 of them have conceived awaiting delivery after 10 months may be around October or November 2016.

#### 14. CHICKEN

45 chickens were distributed to families of OVC. Each family was given 3 chickens. Guracha Hussein was given 1 cock so that he can improve the grade of his chicken. Guracha has improved a lot nutritionally and has increased in weight. He manages his chicken and feeds them he has started selling eggs and saving.



Obbitu children were left with 28 chicken,

they will start laying eggs in 1 month's period. Providing feeds was a challenge but we also released them to forage outside



Support to kitchen gardening at madoadi

Our OVC families from Mado adi who came to collect chicken. They were also issued with fork Jembes to till the land for preparation to do drip Irrigation.

We have 8 small farms in Mado adi, they have shown interest as they have harvested Sukuma and sold them at local

market and also improved their balance diet. Seeds for vegetables were also issued to them to prepare their land early in readiness for the rain

#### 15. STAFF SUPPORT

All the staffs have signed 1 year contract with CIPAD, They like their work and provide good services for the children, despites feeling underpaid. The staffs get 1 month annual leave. Plans have been made for the green house workers to be to have annual leave. A quarterly staff meeting was conducted. The main agendas were to review performance and improve where there is weakness and to have harmony and understanding among all the staffs. The project is supporting staffs in the payment of mandatory Taxes like KRA and NHIF. Registration for NSSF is being finalized and contribution will be made up end of April, 2016.

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