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OVC SOLOLO PROJECT

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INTRODUCTION

OVC Sololo project addresses the needs of orphans and vulnerable children at home bases care and Obbitu children home. The program support 307 OVC (F – 151, M – 156). 184 of the children supported live with their guardians and caregivers while 23 live in Obbitu children home. Services are provided through data collection at household level and health assessment session at home and school. Data are summarized on monthly basis into children needs, family needs and health requirement and forwarded to the donor

The project provides nutritional support by establishing Obbitu farming unit which grows variety of vegetables. The farm has 4 green houses and irrigation done from 2 water pans with approximate water volume of 360M³ or 360,000 litres of water each.

106 families have been enrolled into NHIF where they access quality health care at inpatient service, but as from July 2015, outpatient services will be provided.

Management of project is done through the project coordinator and project management team who provide direction, monitoring and supervision they meet on monthly basis and as frequently as need arises. OVC management committee who are community representative provide linkage, supervisory and monitor on quality of services, they meet on quarterly basis where activities and achievements are shared.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

1. Routine OVC services
2. OVC management committee meetings
3. Health assessment activities
4. Obbitu farming unit
5. Obbitu children home
6. Completion of ongoing construction

QUANTATIVE SUMMARY OF OVC SERVICES

SERVICES AREA	ACTIVITIES	NO. OF OVC	Remarks
Education	Secondary school fees support	13	
	School fees for Obbitu children	23	
Health	Obbitu children treatment	12	

	HTC	0	
	De-worming	23	
Food and nutrition	Provision of monthly food ration for HBC	110 household served with 307 children	
	Nutritional assessment	48	Follow up cases all children were seen in December
Legal protection	Processing of birth certificate	15	

MONTHLY OVC HOME VISITS

Home visit is the core strategy of getting in contact with child and family. It entails collection of information on all basic needs of individual child. Every child was identified separately and information collected separately. Data collected includes, health, nutrition, clothing, education access and performance, psychosocial needs. The family data includes, cooking and serving utensils, beddings, sanitation, water storage and containers, food availability. The collected information was entered into computer database and forwarded to the donor as a report and analyzed. Needs identified was provided based on priority. Below is the summary of the home visit.

MONTHS	TARGET OVC	NO OF FAMILIES	NO. Of Children seen	Not seen	Coverage rate %
April	82	24	82	0	100
May	53	20	53	0	100
June	53	20	53	0	100

2.0. FOOD VOUCHER

Food voucher is an extra support for the most vulnerable families among the registered OVC. The program served 35 families every month with assorted food stuffs. The beneficiaries were attached to contracted shopkeepers in Sololo. The families sign for the food they collected from the shops, after which they are paid invoices valued to 75,000/=.

3.0. SHELTER AND CARE

This entails construction of new structures or even repair of existing house. 16 houses have been identified for shelter improvement. But due to financial constraints it has not been supported.

3.1 CLOTHING.

Clothing for Obbitu children was done periodically and as need arises for each child. Shoes were bought in bulk and kept in the store when they children needs it, then were replaced. All children have had 2 new clothes bought for them.

4.0 HEALTH

HEALTH ASSESSMENT



Antolena Paul conducting nutritional assessment during the absence of Paul. A child looks at the scale ready for weighing.

This is a routine activity and helps the program to assess nutritional performance of every child after 6 months. Also acts as indicators for food support provided monthly for all families. It also supports the program for monitoring and finds cause of any form of malnutrition among the OVC

MONTHS	TARGET OVC	NO. Of OVC seen	Not seen	Coverage rate %	REMARKS
April	48	0			In December a meeting for OVC was done at Obbitu children home where all children came and a number of services provided for them. Health assessment was one such activity. 48bchildren did nit come hence it was a follow up for the quarter to find them and do health assessment
May	48	48			
June	48	0			

NHIF MEDICAL INSURANCE COVER

96 families were enrolled and continued benefiting from in patient service at Sololo mission hospital. Starting April the NHIF released a new policy that outpatient cover will be provided at an increased fees of 500/= per month. This figure is on higher side, when asked for the higher rate for the most vulnerable group in the community NHIF replied that the cost of medical expenses for the elderly persons is higher due to old age, chronic illness and frequency of attack.

5.0. FOOD AND NUTRITION

1. HBC MONTHLY FOOD RATION

106 household benefit monthly from food ration which includes cereals, sugar, cooking oil, tealeaves, salt and a bar of soap. Food was usually distributed in the 2nd or 3rd week of the month

6.0. EDUCATION

A secondary school fee was the major education support provided for OVC in secondary school. A child was given 12,800/ per year.

7.0. OBBITU CHILDREN HOME

23 children live in Obbitu children home, Gamachu joined us in April. The children are growing and developing physical, intellectual and psychological. Obbitu children access all basic services adequately and timely.

7.1. EDUCATION

The children were able to attend classes regularly, there books were checked weekly and advised on improving performance at school. They had performed averagely.

7.2. HEALTH

12 children were treated at Obbitu children dispensary and 1 case referred to Sololo hospital. Children have been healthy most times very few complain of fever, gastroenteritis and head ache are common complain among the children. Qabale has been on care and treatment she takes her drugs under supervision and adheres to the regimen.

7.3. WATER

Roof harvest remains the main source of water in Obbitu children. The t8 tanks around the children houses are dry. The tanks under the playground 2 are empty and the other 2 are being used by the mothers. The tanks near Abdi's office are half full; food store tank is full, while father's house tanks 3 are full. Tanks near the generator and watchmen are being used for watering the trees planted in Obbitu compound and are growing well. there is adequate water on the compound.

7.4. FOOD AND NUTRITION

Obbitu children have adequate food in right quantity and balanced nutritionally. Obbitu farm provided vegetables daily and fruits like melons. They have 3 meals daily during school days and 4-5 meals on week ends

7.5. CLOTHING

Children have grown out of clothes very fast. New clothes are provided on need based almost after very two months. They have adequate clothes full in their metal boxes

7.6. MAINTENANCE

BUILDING MAINTENANCE:

The buildings are in good state of repair, the toilet weak structure of house 1 collapsed and plans are under way on how to repair and make it stronger. The children beds were tightened and rails fixed properly.

There are menace from baboons it broke gutters at abdi's office and playground. The roof net of playground was also damaged at the edge by baboons and winds

GENERATOR MAINTENANCE

The generators, solar systems have been functioning well. Kalili have been able to service the main generator, the small generator at the father's houses and maintained. Mzee Kobe and KAH are in state of disrepair and require major engine over haul according to Kalili. KAH is ta hospital garage for repairs.

7.7. OVC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The committee did not sit but scheduled their meeting for July.

8.0. GREEN HOUSE PROJECT

The green house project is ongoing well; there was low harvest of tomatoes. Sukuma wiki and spinach were affected. The nursery shade continued house the seedlings. Lettuces is doing well, melons were harvested ad eaten by children some were sold. Carrots are in the open field we are observing the growth to maturity.

BEEKEEPING PROJECT

The bees have not yet moved into the beehives. I consulted livestock and agriculture for the reasons, the suggestion were that there may be few colony and gave adequate natural space on the hill. We are still attracting the bees with aromatic smoke, sugar syrup and honey comb wax

11.0. PROGRESS ON ONGOING PROJECT.

Family house 3 is complete with paints and fitting of window panes. Gutters have been fixed on the house 3. The tower still not completed few areas like tanks shower head, soakage pits

STAFFS MANGEMENT

The staffs were active and took their responsibilities well. Few cases of poor performance and time management were noted. The management team sat and discussed course of action. Warning letters were written and verbal advices issued to few staffs. Salary deduction for number of lateness and absenteeism was enforced. One case was at last warning and the management will discuss over him to dismiss from working.

THANK YOU

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