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CHILDREN FIRST



Children service is our responsibility



4TH QUARTER OCTOBER – DECEMBER REPORT 2017

OVC SOLOLO PROJECT

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INTRODUCTION

OVC Sololo project continued with its service to the children and their guardians enrolled into the program. The program provided services in Obbitu children home and home based care services. The services were comprehensive which were child and family specific.

The sub county received low rainfall in the month of October characterized with flash floods for 1 week and dry period started. There was total crop failure poor pasture growth for livestock this had negative food security at household level

All the activities of food distribution continued without interruption, this included the monthly food ration, food voucher and assistance to needy family through Mondeco representative.

Health assessment was carried out through Paul who has provided data on the malnutrition status of the children.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR THE QUARTER

1. Obbitu children home services, welfare and maintenance
2. HBC children and family needs
3. Health assessment activities
4. Green house activities
5. Maintenance activities
6. Vocational training

1. OBBITU CHILDREN HOME



Obbitu children accommodate 24 children, 13 girls and 11 boys. Abdirahman Gollo was exited from Obbitu children to be care for by his brother and sister. The children were properly cared for and protected from abuses. They enjoyed the services and facilities available in Obbitu children home. The children are in their teens and they are in their adolescence behaviours which we are managing well. There were no extreme behaviours noted. Children have grown bigger and developed and well nourished. Girls have grown and develop bigger than boys

1.1. CHILDREN HOUSES

Children houses are in good state of repair, no any major defects. The kitchen and washrooms were also in good state of repair. The bathroom requires curtains to provide privacy for children when they use the washrooms. Bedbugs has been controlled, beds frequently break and continuously repaired by Borte, the beds get weak and old as the children also grow bigger and heavier.

1.2. FOOD AND NUTRITION



Obbitu children had enough food in their store. The food was purchased one every month from which they receive their daily monthly ration. The children use time table to eat different varieties of food daily. Children get fresh vegetables like sukuma, onions, spinach pawpaw from green house. Children eat separately but occasionally eat together like

when we slaughtered a cow. Obbitu children have been having chicken meat in their meals. All our chicken were slaughtered for the children. Therefore children have had balance diet throughout their meals time

1.3. HEALTH CARE

Obbitu children have been living in a state of wellness without any major illness. Most conditions they complain were stomach discomfort, headaches, and cough. Asthmatic conditions which affected Halima, Jarso. fugicha and halkano has subsided and less frequently attack them. We had first Aid kit where we treat minor complains as it arises. Qabale who is HIV positive has been taking her ARV prescription religious and her health condition is stable.

1.4. EDUCATION

2 children sat for KCPE and performed well, Jamal scored 382 while Jarso scored 338 points and Jamal won wings to fly scholarship. Obbitu children perform fairly average. They were adequately provided with learning materials and school uniforms. All children moved to the next class except for Hadija who repeated again.

1.5. CLOTHNG

The children have adequate home clothes, they were provided with pretty Christmas and new Year clothes. Children have 1 pair of shoes which they over use and does not last long. Personal effects were provided on individual specific needs. The demand on clothes and shoes was high as children grow out of it very first.

1.6. CARE AND PROTECTION

Obbitu children were happy and safe in the home and among the staffs. Corporal punishment was forbidden in Obbitu children home. Children were interrogated for mistakes they commit and made to understand the consequences of their action

1.7. PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT



Children taken on tour to moyale on December, This gave break from monotony of being in Obbitu. Support psychosocial development of children.

Playing was used to bring psychosocial development of the children. TV entertainment was also used to enhance information sharing and education. Communal work on cleaning the compound also developed the social responsibility of children. meeting with children on Sundays and discussing topical issues like responsibilities, respect, discouraging vulgar language and courtesy among themselves and staffs.

WATER

Water has drastically reduced in Obbitu children. Quality was also compromised due to gutters with dust and dried leaves of trees. Filters were not working like it was blocked. There was enough water to last up to end of February in Obbitu children.

2.0. ELETRICITY

All the electricity sources were functioning well, the main generator was repaired where AVR was replaced and the motor rebound again. The guest house generator was repaired and working, fathers house generator was also in good state of repair. The solar panels on the children house were working that there was plenty of sunshine. There was need for inspection of lines of wires to check on short sometimes reported by Kalili.

2.1. COMPOUND



The compound kept neat by children. Whitewashing of stones marking the roads

The compound was clean, weekly general cleaning was done assisted by the children. the animals dungs and shades were cleaned by the watchmen. Fencing was also repaired by watchmen. They make and inspection walk along the fence and where it was broken they redo the fencing afresh.

3.0. OBBITU FARMING UNIT

Greenhouse activities continued with little result, green vegetables like sukuma and spinach thrived well. Green pepper, onions did well. Tomatoes were affected by diseases and could not reach maturity stage. Long tail pepper was the most productive but lack market in Sololo. It looks our soil was exhausted and requires soil sample to taken and agronomist advice needed. Otherwise it adequately provided for the nutritional support for the children but low on income from sale of vegetable. Pans have adequate water to last end of March 2018

HBC PROGRAM

QUANTATIVE SUMMARY OVC SERVICES

OVC SERVICES	OVC REACHED	Households
Health assessment	144	
Provision of food HBC	273	
Social welfare families		25
School stationeries for HBC	201	
HBC home clothes	78	
School uniforms	21	
20 litre jenkins	31	
Supplementary porridge	102	27
Shelter construction	1	

1. EDUCATION

HBC children attended public schools, they were provided with free stationeries and text books. Performance of children could not be followed due to children not bring their report forms. Children were provided with scholastic materials like exercise books, pens, pencils, and rubbers.

The caregivers were frequently advised to constantly advice and follow up on the regular attendance and performance of their children. Abdi also advised the children and caregivers to support education of their children. Since the impact of the project will be the children excelling in their education, then emphasis were put and penalties to be removed from the program was agreed upon.

2. HBC FOOD DISTRIBUTION



Monthly food distribution was provided twice per month, the second week and 4th week of each month. 106 households benefitted from the food. 25 households also received food voucher at identified shops while another 25 house were provided food through social welfare under Mondeco representative. The food was not complete balance diet but it contain s mainly starch and protein from beans. The foods have sustained food availability at household level for the month. Some may have sold to convert to other needs

NO	FOOD ITEMS	QUANTITY	TOTAL
1	Maize	30 kg X 3 months	60 kg
2	Beans	10 kgX3	30 kg
3	Sugar	2kgX3	6 kg
4	Cooking oil	500 X3	1.5 litres
5	tealeaves	2 pktsX3	6 pkts
6	salt	1pkts x3	3 PKTS
7	Bar soap	1/2 bars x3	1.5 BARS

3. HEALTH AND NUTRITIONAL ASSESSMENT:

Nutritional assessment was carried out for targeted children in this 4th quarter. The children less than 5 years were measure MUAC; children above 5 years were measure weight for height or age. Nutritional assessment is annually sub contracted to PFL. We could only know level of malnutrition after analysis of the data. Household with malnourished children were provided with nutritional porridge where 23 households benefitted.

MONTH	NO. SEEN	Remarks
October	0	
November	118	Not done
December	26	
TOTAL	144	

HEALTH CARE SERVICE

NHIF was the main health care services for the HBC children and their guardians. Payment was promptly done to support uninterrupted health services. Our beneficiaries continued benefiting both outpatient and inpatient care services from Sololo hospital. There was no major disease reported among our children. G. Hussein was on and off health wise. He health condition was not improving has expected. His treatment regimen was changed.

4. MONTHLY OVC HOME VISITS

This was abdi's routine activities where households were visited and children needs and family needs were identified. It was the data used to provide arrays of services to children. below tables shows the households visited in the quarter.

MONTHS	TARGET OVC	NO OF FAMILIES	NO. Of Children seen	Not seen	Reason for absence	Coverage rate %
October	69	21	69	0	0	100%
November	59	22	59	0	0	100%
December	0	0	0	0	0	%
TOTAL	128	43	128	0	0	100%

6.0. MAINTENANCE

Maintenance of generators was main activities for this quarter. Major repairs was done on the main generator where the motor and AVR was replaced. The radiator was taken to Moyale for cleaning. Routine maintenance was done by Borte. Children beds have become weak and many have broken rails. Father house and guest house generators were working well. Workshop has opened its door to public vehicles few vehicles have been repaired at the workshop.

Buildings were in good state of repairs both the walls and floor. Electricity line inspection is needed from the main generator, to guest house and to the children house. Sometimes light goes off and we cannot explain why. This has caused the fear not to show Cinema for the children

CATTLE



Cows relaxing in the field

In Obbitu we have 6 big cows' and 4 calves; we slaughtered 1 cow for the children. The cows do not have milk it can only enough for their calves. The 4 young ones is increased the number of herds our herds. The profit can be measured by the number of calves added. As for milk they cannot

produce milk adequate to be shared among children and the calves. So we left for the calves.

CHICKEN

There were no chicken left in Obbitu children home, the last batch of 16 were slaughtered. There were predators eating our chicken, they also grew older and reduced eggs. Chicken feeds were also hard to come by. Therefore the decision to slaughter all was done.

OBBITU STAFF

Quarterly meeting of staffs was conducted, 3 staffs were laid off. One refused to take finger print for certificate of good conduct while 2 of them were poor performance of duties and lateness. Since the contract ends by 31st December, the management team agreed not to renew their contract for the year 2018

VOCATIONAL TRAINING MECHANICAL WORKSHOP

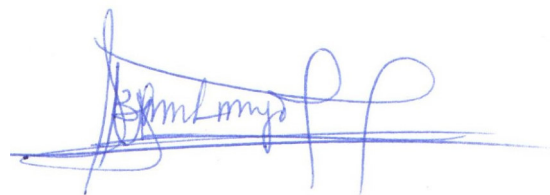
The objective of the workshop was to train OVC who completed class 8 or form 4 and were not able to proceed to next level. 6 learners were identified with 1 lady from wayegoda among them. Sololo makutano had 2 learners, Sololo town 2 learners, Uran 1 learner. There was poor preparation and availability of instructors for learners. After long wait they all dropped out. Hence we failed on this outcome.

The second was maintenance of Obbitu vehicles, generators, and motorcycle. We hired a wiring mechanic from Nairobi whom we paid. It was like Kalili handles the mechanical part and we look for other expert and pay for it.

Mzee kobe was repaired and in good condition. 3 motorbikes were on the road but getting breakdown frequently.

GOK COORDINATION AND MONITORING

There was very cordial relationship and cooperation between us and the Sub County children officer Moyale .He did not visit Obbitu children home but has approved 2 children from Sololo to be admitted to Obbitu children home. the ward administrator Sololo ward is a member of our OVC management committee. The Sub county commissioner supported



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