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Vision and Hope Foundation 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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VISION AND HOPE FOUNDATION

Vision and Hope Foundation is a community based development organization established by youths from the Harare community to contribute towards the reduction and ultimate eradication of HIV and AIDs among young people. VHF seeks to promote the empowerment of young people through skills development, information sharing, counseling, training on HIV and AIDS prevention and management, psychosocial support and above all providing basic education to orphans and other vulnerable children. It was established in 2003 and got legally registered in 2006 as a youth welfare organisation under the youth Act of 1997.

“Education is the most powerful weapon that you can use to change the world.” (Nelson Mandela)

OUR VISION

We envision a society where young people enjoy their economic, social and cultural rights and walk in their full potential.

OUR MISSION

We are committed to provide meaningful support, care and to empower young people and communities to develop innovative and sustainable solutions to HIV and AIDS and other social ills of the society and live wholesome lives.

OUR HOPE

Our hope is vital

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Empowerment
- Meaningful involvement
- Innovation
- Teamwork

OUR OBJECTIVES

Reduce the impact and spread of HIV and other related social ills of the society among young people.

Empower young people economically, socially and culturally for them to assert and resist abuse as well as helping them realize their potential in life.

Develop, gather and disseminate sexual reproductive health, HIV and other related information to young people.

Support psycho-socially and materially HIV and AIDs infected and affected orphaned, underprivileged and vulnerable young people.

Identify and address cultural and social issues that impede the full growth and development of young people in all spheres of life.

PROGRAMS

EduSport Program

Psychosocial Support Program

Leadership and Life Skills Development Program

Sexual and Reproductive Health program

EDUSPORT PROGRAM

EduSport Program has been the outstanding program as it has always reached more than 3000 young people and adults over the years. This year we reached more than 5 000 as we had more tournaments than ever. The EduSport program kick started in 2009 and its main objective is to nurture role models through sport, HIV and AIDS education, life skills training and community work. The program has three components which encompass sporting itself, community work and leadership and life skills development. The program is married to leadership and Life skills development.

Tournaments

This year we reached more than 3 000. A total of five (5) tournaments also known as Sports galas were held this year which included soccer and netball teams in Mbare, Hopely and Retreat. These tournaments are used as a vehicle to bring

young people together for HIV prevention awareness raising and other issues such drug abuse, sexual and reproductive issues and rights and children's rights issues. All participating teams participated in community work, life skills sessions and cleanup campaigns organized by Vision and Hope Foundation which is prerequisite for teams to participate on these tournaments.



Sports event during Patrizia visit at Rising Star School.

PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

School Related Assistance

38 children were assisted with school fees in Mbare and Retreat. Up to 9 received a once off school fees payment and exam fees assistance this year. Over 800 from Mbare, Hopley, Kambuzuma and Retreat received school stationery 3 times in 2017. School uniforms were bought for 7 children.

Leeroy Scholarship

Leeroy is now in the final and is finishing his studies in June 201 and graduating same year in December. He is doing very well in terms of results.



Stationery distribution at Joshua Nkomo Primary School September 2017

Rising Star Primary School

The construction of school building started in May when Engineers without Borders team arrived in the country. This has seen another block of two classrooms constructed at the school. Foundation for the other 3 classrooms to be constructed in the next phase has been laid down.

Patricia Foundation the main funders of the construction project visited end of September. They brought some soccer jerseys for the school teams and participated on a sporting event organized and the official opening of the new blocks. Good news is that they pledged to continue funding in 2018 for the next phase.

With support from ZimRelief a borehole was drilled at the school in May this year.

A sports tournament was organised at Rising Star School. School netball and soccer teams participated on the day. Teachers and construction workers organized themselves into teams and played against each. On the day community women and female teachers also played netball on the day. It was an exciting event for both school children and adults.

The official opening of the Classroom block was graced by Zimrelief Director Mr. Moge, Patricia Foundation representatives as well as representatives from local NGOs, schools, churches and other government offices.



Borehole drilling at Rising Star School in May 2017

Feeding Scheme

Over 400 benefited from the feeding scheme in Mbare and Hopley. They eat a nutritional porridge at lunch every day at school in Hopley and 3 times at a community centre in Mbare.

LEADERSHIP AND LIFE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Career Guidance

In partnership with the National Employment Council under the Ministry of Labor and Social Services a career guidance program was done at Kwayedza High in Highfield again this year. More than 600 pupils doing their O and A levels were reached.

Coach Seminar

A one day coach seminar was done in Hopely. 12 coaches from different churches and community teams participated. Chairperson for Zimbabwe Coaches association was invited and presented to them basic caching skills and how to deal with children and youth in distress.

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH PROGRAM

Church meetings

A total of 5 meetings with women in Church were held in 2017. More than a thousand (1000) women were reached. Three of th meetings were in Mbare and one of the was big meeting where all churches in Mbare were represented. Cervical and breast cancers were topical issues to thee meetings as well as HIV and AIDS testing and treatment and reproductive health issues.



Meeting with Church women in Hopely.



Meeting with Church women in Mbarey

Church Leader Forum

From the 2 forums that were established for Church leaders, pastors and Bishops in Mbare and Hopely last year, six (6) meetings took place in Mbare and Hopely. MSF, Community Sister, Population Services International and Zimbabwe Network of Religious Leaders Association (ZINERELA+) were invited to make presentations on Rape clinics available in the area, Living Positively as a Religious Leader, Condoms and the Church and more.

Condom distribution and Demonstration

Male and female condoms procured were distributed during the reporting period. The activity continued to contribute towards reducing the further transmission of HIV infection. Condom demonstrations were done in all project activities to make sure that they are used correctly and consistently.

Exhibitions

In partnership with National AIDS Council facilitated and other stakeholders three (3) musical galas were held in Mbare, Retreat and Hopely in 2017. Vision and Hope exhibited at all the galas and played a pivotal role in logistics and planning. More than 3000 people from the local communities were reached. More 500 tested for HIV on the particular days and over a 1000 women received family planning pills. Over 5000 condoms were distributed.



Vision and Hope Foundation team exhibiting at one of the galas in Mbare



Condom distribution at a musical gala in Hopely

NETWORKING

World AIDS Day Commemorations

The world AIDS day commemorations took place on the 1st of December in Bulawayo. Vision and Hope Foundation was part

of the National Planning and Logistics Committee that was planning for the World AIDS day commemorations and prelaunch activities. VHF was nominated as the vice Chair of the committee. VHF participated at the colorful event attended by more than 1000 people.

Child Protection Committee

Vision and Hope Foundation also was part of the Child Protection committee meetings that were held in Mbare. The purpose of the CPC meeting that was held on the 2nd of November 2016 was to fundraise for the day of the Children with Disability. The fundraising function was on the 19th of November 2016 were various activities planned during the meetings whereto be conducted to raise money fro the day of the Children with Disability.

Area Health meetings

2 area health meetings were held in the second half of the year. Organizations were given a platform to outline the activities that were performed by their organisations. The agenda of the meeting was on immunization, the voucher system and sexual and gender based violence.

CONCLUSSION

Appreciation goes to the volunteers for facilitating the work of VHF within communities, implementing partners that include German Embassy, National AIDS Council, City Health and Social services departments, Zimbabwe National family Planning Council, Positive Action for children fund and above all ZimRelief for the overall support.

VHF in Pictures



Budget

OVC Care and Support	25 950
Leeroy Scholarship	2 400
EduSport	600
Leadership & Life Skills Development Program	100
Administration	10 390
Exhibition & membership subscription	100
Capital Equipment	50
Total (Zimrelief)	39 540
National AIDS Council	4 500
GRANT TOTAL	44 040