

Hej alla vänner till barnen i Shabalala/Sydafrika

I detta nyhetsbrev väljer jag att oredigerat klippa in delar av den OVC-rapport som vi i EXCO (Executive Committee) får regelbundet från de olika projekten.

OVC=Orphans and Vulnerable Children

Utan pengar från Sverige skulle situationen se helt annorlunda ut. Vågar knappt inte tänka tanken. Dessa barn behöver inte lägga sig hungriga. Utan vårt stöd skulle deras självkänsla vara noll precis som deras sociala förmåga, deras resultat i skolan mycket sämre och deras framtid ganska mörk. Här kommer OVC rapporten för Januari 2018

Monthly report for the OVC Project

Month: January 2018

Responsible Person(s): Nombulelo

| Performance Indicators, OVC | Numbers |
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| <p>No. of children registered <i>Analysis and measures taken:</i> The number has dropped recently, because the organization has suspended two children, and there are also children that do not come to the organization regularly</p> | 67 |
| <p>No. of average children per day <i>Analysis and measures taken:</i> The number is not consistent with the number that is registered because some of the children do not come to the organization, despite being registered. Many children complain that they are staying too far away from the organization; therefore, it is difficult to walk long distances. The new OVC satellite center, currently on the drawing board, further up on the hills in Shabalala will absorb the missing kids. And furthermore, there are many children on that side who really need our support. Actually, the situation is worse up there. <i>Se bild och kommentarer i slutet av detta nyhetsbrev.</i></p> | 45 |
| <p>No. of orphans (one or both parents deceased) <i>Analysis and measures taken:</i> We have been quite successful to locate orphans in foster families with good recourses. Hence, those children don't need our support any more. However, in the area around the new satellite center there are many orphans that need our support once we have established that centre in beginning of 2019.</p> | 4 |

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| No. of home visits | 12 |
| <p>We have learnt that most families are dysfunctional families and we have decided to increase interactions with the families.</p> <p><i>Analysis and measures taken:</i></p> <p>The OVC has created a schedule for home visits. During each of our travel days, we plan to visit a minimum of 3 houses.</p> | |
| No. of children with HIV | 2 |
| <p><i>Analysis and measures taken:</i></p> <p>Not all children are tested.</p> <p>Because our organisation reopened in the second week of January, most of our children were away visiting families for the holidays. It took a while for the children to start attending regularly. Therefore the team agreed that the testing would begin in the first week of February, when the kids start attending regularly.</p> | |
| No. of malnourished children or children with health problems | 0 |
| <p><i>Analysis and measures taken:</i></p> <p>As of the new year, none of the children have reported any health issues.</p> | |

Specific activities this month

(Health checks, shows, outings, visitors, distribution of clothes, etc.)

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| <p>The OVC team has been conducting the regular daily activities that consist of Gardening, Spirituality & Character Building, Sports, Sewing, Computer Skills, Horse riding and Music. In addition the team has started implementing a basic nutrition course for the kids that is meant to supplement the gardening activity.</p> <p>In February, Joseph and Mxolisi plan to implement Grassroot Soccer, a program meant to teach youth about basic HIV.</p> |
| <p>The children have been receiving additional food parcels to take home such as bananas, milk, toys and snacks as it is provided by donors such as Clover and the local donors.</p> |
| <p>The OVC team has experienced a change in staff. We now have a new coordinator named Nombulelo Mokoena who is replacing Gail. In addition, Pastor Igatia is replacing Pastor Mxolisi in Spirituality. The auxillary nurse Nomdeni has found a new position in a new company and Slindile got a bursary at GWF. The management has therefore appointed Vusi, one of the Organisation's administrators, to assist us with most of our activities.</p> |

Marina from Horse Whispers has recently developed a certified teaching program. She has agreed to continue help the kids with riding the horses and plans on hosting an official teaching course for the children.

The OVC team held a guardians meeting on the 24th of January. The purpose of the meeting was to improve the relations with the families and to introduce the new team members, as well as to set expectations for the coming year.

Starting in January, Joseph and Nomdeni, the OVC nurse started an eight week basic nutrition program. Throughout the first three weeks of January, we had been researching and preparing for the class. This program is meant to supplement the gardening program already occurring at the organization.

Participation is an issue because a lot of the children are shy, and choose not to speak, therefore I need to identify someone who can help out in engaging with the children in siswati.

OVC SATELLITE

Flera barn har för långt att gå till Hosanna centret och det finns ett stort, ja faktiskt mycket större, behov längre in i Shabalala byn där AIDS problematiken är större och där det finns fler utsatta barn. Mama Sipiwe och Pastor Solly har kommit över ett litet hus längre in i Shabalala som dom



tillhandahåller för expansion av verksamheten. Huset är ca 25M². Vi planerar att bygga till en altan på framsidan och en på baksidan med tak för skydd mot regn och sol som kan bli "matsal". Och vi planerar att köpa utrustning för matlagning, en vattentank, stolar o bord och annat som behövs. Vi söker nu finansiärer.

Hälsningar

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