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Orphan Support Program

Head teachers & teacher's capacity Building workshop

Orphan Support Program team in Kenya & Uganda organized capacity building workshop for Head teachers & teachers who are directly involved in OSP activities. HHRD took the initiative so as to capacitate the teachers in Key aspects that will help improve the education performance of the students. The major topics covered during the workshop were Trends in teaching & learning styles and role of a teacher as a leader.



Students & Guardians mentorship workshop

Students & Guardians mentorship workshop was held in Kenya and Uganda with the primary objective of enabling constructive and positive interaction, guidance and mentorship of the students and guardians. Among the topics discussed were establishing a vibrant child – Guardian Relation and Designing a model to review the child's progress daily.



Sports kits distribution

Co-curricular activities develop a student's social, intellectual, cultural, democratic, civic, and aesthetic domains. OSP teams across all the clusters annually organize in-door and out-door activities for the sponsored students. In November, OSP team in Uganda distributed sports kits to students in Butambala cluster and held interschool competition. Simba Islamic primary school won in both boys and girls category.



Sanitary pads distribution

The project which was initiated this year had the 2nd phase implemented during the month for sponsored students on Butambala cluster, Uganda. The function was presided over by HHRD Advisory member in Uganda *Hajat* Halima. Parents and teachers welcomed the move saying it will go a long way in supporting the girls and ensure improved class attendance.



Quran Competition

OSP team in Uganda and Kismayo (Somalia) organized this year's Quran competition for sponsored students to encourage them to learn and recite Quran as per Tajweedh and increase religious awareness & protect the holy Quran. HHRD Africa Regional Director Mr. Musa Ibrahim presided over the event in Somalia. The best students were recognized and awarded.



School Uniform and Shoes distribution

During the month OSP Kismayo, Somalia organized distribution of school kits to 200 sponsored orphans.

Water for Life Program

Inauguration of Shallow wells

In Somalia and Uganda during the month of November WFL Team inaugurated ten shallow wells. The shallow wells are located in Baidoa, Kismayo, and Bujiri respectively. More than 9,500 people will benefit from the shallow wells. Meanwhile in Kilifi (Kenya) Mogadishu and Baidoa (Somalia) the team initiated the construction of twelve new shallow wells.



WASH Projects

Inauguration of Latrine project

Lack of sanitation is the most serious hygiene problem faced by human beings. According to United Nations, nowadays 2.5 billion people do not have access to improved sanitation and around 1 billion people defecate in open air. HHRD Africa has set up latrine projects across communities and schools in Kenya, Somalia, Uganda and Tanzania across areas with need.



One project was inaugurated in Uganda at Gombe Umea Primary school and selected a second sight for establishment of new latrine. Similar project was inaugurated in Kismayo, Somalia at Mu'asasatu Al Salam School.



In-Kind Gifts Program

Donation of In-Kind items

In- Kind Gifts team in Kenya, Somalia and Tanzania donated food and non food items to vulnerable communities. The donations included school furniture's, clothes, soap and food items. Hygiene promotion sessions were conducted in areas soaps were donated to reduce the incidence of poor hygiene practices and conditions that pose the greatest risk to the health of children, women and men.



Health Care Program

Eye camp & cataract surgeries

HHRD Africa team successfully carried out free eye camp & cataract surgeries for vulnerable patients in Somalia and Uganda. The exercise in Uganda saw 100 patients receive free eye care while in Somalia 150 patients are set benefit from the program which will be implemented in December as well. HHRD carried out the initiative following the records of high eye visual impairment in most parts of the country. Some of which the cases could be cured through cataract surgeries. The bulk of blindness in the region is preventable or curable. The beneficiaries were very grateful to the donors for their generous contribution.



Skills Development Program

Graduation Ceremony

Skills Development Center in Mogadishu, Somalia held their second graduation Ceremony of the year for Students who successfully completed their training courses in Computer, Tailoring, Henna (Decoration) and Cooking. The students were awarded with certificates and the best performing students were recognized with gift items for startup business to enhance self development. A total of 67 students graduated while 20 students from henna course, 15 students from tailoring course and 5 students from computer course received the gifts in line with their professions.



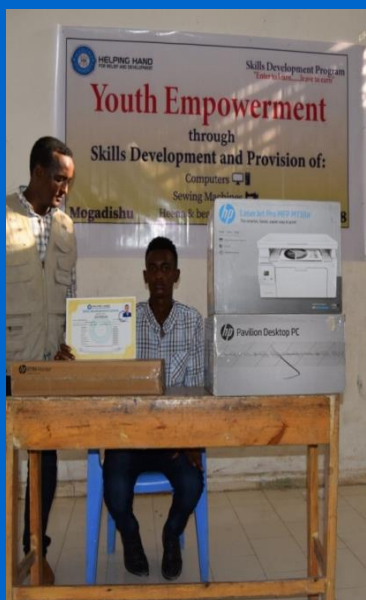
Youth Empowerment

In August this year Skills Development Centre in Madogo, Kenya held similar graduation ceremony where students were awarded with gift items for business start up. Three months down the line, HHRD team on the ground contacted some of the students to monitor their progress. The team reported that the students initiated small businesses within Madogo ward for self development. *Warsame Ibrahim* who was one of the beneficiaries from the field of computer was initially working at a cyber café with a partner but after receiving the donation he resorted to establishing his own cyber café. He however cited some local challenges with regards to clients which he explained were due to the facility being new and most of the people in the area are not aware of its establishment. He said with time he will market his business to offer the best quality in the area to attract more customers thus earning a good income monthly.



Training progress

Skills Development Program motivates Youth and women to enhance their skills through youth participation in training courses under the projects in HHRD's areas of implementation.



Youth Leadership Program



HHRD held youth leadership Seminar for public and private University students at Kampala International University (KIU), Uganda. The event brought together more than 100 participants with the theme "Preparing oneself for the Contemporary Leadership Challenges". The event was graced by KIU Vice Chancellor Dr. Mpezamihigo among other notables. The objective of the seminar was to create awareness and prepare youths for future leadership responsibilities.

