



KASESE COMMUNITY HEALTH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

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Term III commenced on the 26th September 2016 with a total number of 386 continuing students. The program has to-date registered 54 students that have completed from tertiary institutes and universities by end of June 2016.

Huge thanks to the CHERA which is the major funder through individuals and churches. We also appreciate the support from IRCU, the guardians, alumni and individual well-wisher sponsors.

KCHEF OVC Education Program	Female	Male	Total
Formal Primary	33	29	62
Formal Secondary	102	66	168
Formal Tertiary	24	22	46
Formal University	39	51	90
Vocational / apprenticeship	11	9	20
Total continuing students			386
Completed University by June 2016	10	9	19
Completed Tertiary Education 2015	18	17	35
Total Completed			54
Dropped Out	5	2	7
Total sponsorships to date	242	205	447

Planned activities:

The KCHEF Other Vulnerable Children (OVC) program focuses on education and vocational training, medical care, social economic support, psychosocial support and prevention of HIV infection among students and their families.

Payment of school fees:

KCHEF has received a total of \$53,748 (179,773,014UGX) from CHERA by September as opposed to the budgeted \$74,165 (255,500,000UGX). This has resulted in paying tuition for fewer students in the program. This shortfall has affected the scholars that are not tagged to specific sponsors especially. 30% of the students did not receive the second term fees and 70% have not received third term fees.

Community involvement:

In order to ensure sustainability of support for OVC, our communities that include teachers, guardians, schools and the alumni have been identified to help in fundraising and planning the next steps for the program. The Alumni and Guardians subscription collections have totaled to 5,484,000 UGX. The planned fundraising event will earn some more

Socio economic security:

Socio Economic security aims at strengthening the capacity of families to care and support orphans and vulnerable children. With support from IRCU, a training was conducted for caregivers designed to help them support children more effectively as well as care for other caregivers who may be



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vulnerable. Training in small business management was conducted for those guardians that possess small businesses.

School Visits:



School visits were carried out from 4th October to 11th October. During these visits 24 schools were visited that had 231 students.

Most of the students are more stable in school due to increased visits by the KCHEF staff and encouragement from the teachers in schools where students go. The purpose for the visits is to strengthen partnerships between schools, students and ensure that KCHEF beneficiaries are in school all the time. And if the students are not in school, then they should be followed up in their homes to establish why they were not in school.

3.2 Vocational education

One of the apprentices of hair dressing receiving her kit



KCHEF had 10 students who were undertaking vocational education graduate. These students were involved in hair dressing, tailoring, welding and driving and mechanics.

Of these ten, six were provided with start - up kits and are involved in small scale businesses. These start up kits were provided by Inter Religious Council Uganda funded by USAID.

Health care:

KCHEF is supporting a number of OVC who are HIV+ and 68 guardians who are HIV+. These children are routinely counseled, enrolled on the ART program support to ensure adherence & compliance. We also ensure that opportunistic illnesses of both guardians and OVC are treated immediately. In addition to the above, we carried a home to home testing of guardians and their children. About 72 families were reached during the holidays and we hope to carry out more tests during the forthcoming holidays.



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Strengthen partnerships to enhance our referral systems:

This objective is intended to close the gaps in service delivery to the OVCs. Others services offered by other organization are accessed by KCHEF beneficiaries. For instance, KCHEF has been receiving funding from IRCU for the purchase of startup kits for OVC on apprenticeship. Some of these OVC are already supporting their other siblings with scholastic materials and food in homes.

Achievements

-The 54 that have graduated from school and 156 students (in apprenticeship, tertiary and universities) are approaching final stages; thanks to the CHERA

-KCHEF continues to make progress into community involvement. The guardians are especially interested and happy about the partnership

-Students on apprenticeship still receive start up kits from IRCU

Challenges:

-The reduction in funds makes it impossible to serve all OVC on the program- the next submission which is the end of year report will indicate a detailed analysis of the education support to clearly indicate the adversity due to the drop in funding

-Due to reduced funds, the schools are becoming hostile to the students and this term has seen many students being chased from school. We only managed to pay fees for 70% of the students in second term and have paid for only 30% in the third term

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