NTIMI HOME OF HOPE

1.0 Introduction

Every child in this world either from east or west has a right to good food, shelter, healthcare, clothing, clean water and education. It is painful that the majority of the children in developing countries lack most of the above, if not all. Some can do without a meal for a number of days while others live in slums where healthcare is unheard of, hence exposing them to a lot of health hazards or poor health. No person, let alone a child should be forced to live in such conditions.

The Kenyan children are no exemption from the above cases, especially with;

- The 2007 post-election skirmishes which left thousands of children orphaned and many vulnerable after their parents and relatives were murdered by fighting communities.
- Years of drought have left thousands of people with failed crops and little to no access to drinking water. This has increased malnutrition and mortality in children.
- High level of HIV/AIDS related cases resulting in young children being left in care of the aged population, who are unable to look after them /take care of them.
- High poverty levels with nearly 9 million people (a half of the population earning less than a dollar). This has resulted to high number of Illiteracy, Street families, Malnutrition, Drug and alcohol abuse, Teenage pregnancies, Child abuse, exploitation, neglect and abandonment, Early death from preventable diseases such as ;cancer ,cholera ,TB ,typhoid, malaria kidney problems and measles.

1.1 Our mission

To give equal opportunities to all children especially the ones that would have ended up being street children.

1.2 **Project overview**

NTIMI HOME OF HOPE is a non-profit making community based organization and has over 100 needy and vulnerable children and their families including special cases which we receive from time to time. We normally give support by providing basic needs to children, humanitarian aid to the needy and vulnerable families and their other needs in the society. Through our programmes we work closely with government, local administration and community members so as to improve the living standards and also to eradicate poverty.

1.3 **Project summary**

NTIMI HOME OF HOPE houses orphans and vulnerable children and needy families and provides care support and protection for them. This home has 10 workers among them cooks, cleaners, teachers, caretakers and administrators. All children are provided with 3 times nutritious food,

books, school uniforms, clothing, beddings, sanitary pads, diapers, water, soap detergents and shoes as well as psychological and spiritual support. Every child has an opportunity for indoor and outdoor recreation and play facilities.

We also support them to realize their potentials, careers and talents so as to become self-reliant and responsible members of the society .We as NTIMI HOME OF HOPE aim to bring a service of hope to the needy and vulnerable children and families in the community.

Problem statement

The problem of the orphaned, needy and vulnerable children is acute due to poverty levels in our communities thus most families are unable to afford basic needs for their children.

There is also an increase of children who are affected and infected with HIV/AIDS while others have been orphaned as a result of the deaths of AIDS affected persons. The situation is also further aggravated by the absence of love and security and unwanted pregnancy of sexually exploited girls conflict, social injustices, gender violence etc.

These children are involved in rag picking, pick pocketing, participating in anti-social, criminal activities.

1.5 How will this project solve this problem?

We have managed to rescue over 65 vulnerable and needy children from poor families all over the country. They are currently enrolled in different schools all over the country, 11 in high school and 54 in lower and upper primary. 4 are baby seated in the center among them a 5months old who was rescued from Samburu on 27th December 2018.

We are providing boarding facilities to the children arranging teaching facilities in nearby schools, health check-ups, medicines, books, uniforms, nutritious diet, indoor and outdoor recreation and play facilities.

The children under our care are also receiving psychological and spiritual support as well as psycho-social support. They also benefit from children rights protection by engaging them in school holidays workshops, and camps which identifies, nurtures, and develops their talents and careers that will help them to be responsible citizens in future.

1.6 Potential long term impact

This project has potential and impactful in main streaming the orphans, needy and vulnerable children. Their basic needs are met and they will get new life through gaining knowledge vocational skills and life skills. They will get love and affection as if their parents provides. Their confidence level will increase and become a good asset to the community. They are developed physically and psychologically and made good and productive citizens.

The children who live at our Centre will also benefit from academic sponsorship as well as other children whom we support while staying with their parents or guardians.

We will also have group fellowships for children, teenagers, youths and young mothers which will bring them together so as to share challenges that they are facing through encouraging each other by having healthy discussions that may lead to problem solutions.

1.7 **Project objectives**

- To provide orphans, the needy and vulnerable children a childhood that they never experienced and help them become useful members of the society.
- To make available a secure place where the orphaned, needy and vulnerable children can play and enjoy their childhood.
- To provide basic education to the orphaned, needy and vulnerable children.
- To encourage the children to kindle their potential by providing creative opportunities.
- To provide such welfare services as boarding, health and recreation.
- To select and prepare for a vocation in order to live on their own legs.
- To accomplish physical, intellectual and aesthetic development of the child.

1.8 **Project activities**

- Supporting the orphans, needy and other vulnerable children in the society by providing them with humanitarian aid such as basic needs (food, shelter, clothing, education) psychological and spiritual support.
- Primary health offering.
- Empowerment programs through offering vocational and life skills communication skills and leadership skills.
- Boarding facilities.
- Mentorship /coaching by engaging the children in school holiday workshops and camps which identify nurture and develop their talents and careers that will help them become responsible citizens in future.
- Tracing and receiving the needy and vulnerable children from tough situations and reintegrating them back with their families for those who are willing to reconcile with their families.
- Education: we offer academic sponsorships to the children who live at the Centre and also give sponsorships to other needy children whom we support while they stay with their parents or guardians.

1.9 Project Beneficiaries

This project will benefit the orphaned, the needy and vulnerable children in the society and currently takes care of over 100 needy and vulnerable children and their families.

1.10 Methodology

We trace and rescue the needy and vulnerable children through citizens, police and other government agencies e.g. the Children Department.

We counsel and arrange for emotional acceptance of the child. We provide boarding facilities at a rentent building in Umoja 2. We have arranged teaching facilities in nearby schools. We also provide home tuitions, recreation and health care.

Since the inception of NTIMI HOME OF HOPE in 2006 up to 2018, the activities of the home were running through a business that was started and operated by the Project Trustees. For 12years the Project Trustees (Mr. GEORGE ONYANGO and Ms. ROSE BHOKE) took the children as their own children and would facilitate all their needs through their business venture. No financial or humanitarian assistance was received within these 12 years thus the home remained un-known to the public. In 2018 a truck belonging to the Project Trustees was involved in an accident in Tanzania with goods worth over 1.8m shillings. The truck was totally written off and the goods vandalized resulting to total loss of both the goods and the vehicle.

This immensely affected the operations/activities of the home thus from 2018 we have been running on local donations and contributions which are not sufficient to cater for the needs of the children resulting to the current humanitarian crisis that we are experiencing. We are mobilizing resources through donations and contributions from like-minded partners, the Kenyan Government, Churches, Organizations, Companies, Friends and Well-wishers.

We have limited resources to take care of the children but day by day the number of children is increasing due to various reasons. We need additional support from donors, philanthropists and well-wishers to meet the needs of the increasing number of the needy and vulnerable children and their families in our Centre. In the meantime we will continue to mobilize continuous local donations and contributions through exhibiting our good work and service.

We are planning to build a permanent home and school for the children by acquiring land from donors and philanthropists.

The home has 10 workers who include caretakers, cleaners, cooks, teachers and administrators.

The proposal covers over 65 needy and vulnerable children. Every child will be provided with nutritional diet, uniforms, beddings, shoes, toiletries, indoor and outdoor recreation and play facilities.

1.11 Impact analysis

The project will be monitored at regular intervals through a Project advisory Committee (PAC)

constituted with the Program Trustee as the convener/ member secretary. The committee would meet periodically and advise on various aspects concerning implementation of the project and review of the programs/activities undertaken. The PAC will also review the accounts and audited statements.



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