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Serenje Orphans Children's Home (SOCH)

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THIRD QUARTER, 2019 REPORT

INTRODUCTION

There are a lot of activities which have been implemented successfully at SOCH in the year 2019. SOCH owes gratitude to all its sponsors and supporters who have made SOCH dreams come true in third quarter of the year 2019. In brevity, a glimpse of what has been done is illustrated bellow.



Orphanage viewed at an angle

Education Support / Sponsorship

SOCH prioritises education support as it is the only best way to secure orphans future. Currently tertiary young ladies and men (grown up orphans) are continuing with their studies. The said orphans include Blessings Musonda, Wendy Mulenga, Sylvia Tembo, Gift Lungu and Moses Chama Lesa who are studying for various professions in colleges under SOA/ZOA/SOCH

sponsorship. Not only these, but 22 orphans are also accessing good private school primary education while 8 are in secondary schools.

Water Furrow and Gardening

The water is flowing in the furrow and the orphanage garden has started doing well. We expect a lot of green vegetables, fruits and fast growth of newly planted banana trees. The fish pond seems to be draining a lot of water underground, giving us no chance to stock fish. A solution to it is yet to be identified.



Water and green vegetables



Avocado fruits season



Green vegetables

Orphanage Lawns and Maintenance

Having been aware that SOCH grass grows quick and it requires fast mowing to prevent bush, SOCH has procured a new lawn mower under the support from [Whittlesea Presbyterian Church](#) in Australia. This will help SOCH continue looking beautiful as lawns will be maintained.



Not only this but various maintenance activities still take place at SOCH such as replacement of broken and worn out property.



New doors replaced on dorms as maintenance

Carpentry Project

The young men training in carpentry have improved in skills such that the project is becoming self-sustained. All workers at carpentry projects are paid from the money raised within the carpentry project. Here are some of their products;



Guesthouse and Hummer mill

The two projects have been very successful in the year 2019. All workers at Guesthouse and hummer mill are being paid by funds raised within the two projects. Reasonable profits have been emerging which have helped SOCH manage to contribute towards SOCH running costs. The guest house also managed to buy its own **generator** for use during black outs. We expect this to continue and improve as time goes.



Generator, SOCH INN, Hummer Mill and its interior with customers

Over whole General Improvements at SOCH

1. So far we have seen orphans getting into university, others into boarding schools while others in private primary school.
2. Orphans are happy and healthy at SOCH.
3. Orphans are able to speak English and some are able to read and write.
4. Orphans are able to enjoy social rights within the orphanage where they play games and practise their culture.
5. The orphanage is looking always beautiful and of healthy environment.
6. SOCH workers and SOCH sponsors are fully committed to supporting

Future Plans and SOCH Wishes

SOCH would like to consider doing the following activities in future according to their priorities;

1. Buy more Solar Batteries and Solar panels considering positive impact it has on reduction of electricity bill.
2. Drill a borehole and install tank to supplement local water supply especially that water runs out and to reduce water bill.
3. Consider buying orphanage bus to help transport and protect orphans when going to school in rains and dust.

Conclusion

On behalf of SOCH orphans, staff and board of management, I would like to thank all the sponsors and supporters of SOA/SOA/SOCH for all the financial and kind support to SOCH. All the support is securing the lives of orphans and they provide assurance of their future life security. Please be encouraged that you continue doing so supporting SOCH for its a great cause.

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