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HOME STATUS.

By the end of July, the Home was having 48 children 25 boys and 22 girls. However, some have been sick with several admissions at Maranatha and Buhinga. Irrespective of the challenges, the staff continue to perform their daily tasks as usual responsive to all odds for the good life of children

ACTIVITIES

PHYSIOTHERAPY AT TORO BABIES HOME AND KYANINGA

Several physiotherapy sessions have been conducted at the home and Kyaninga. Most sophisticated therapeutic sessions were conducted at Kyaninga and simple sessions which do not require sophisticated items were done at TBH. The mothers in care for the children were too oriented to look after children in order to maintain their momentum of growth. The session at Home and Kyaninga have helped these children so much, like Maria Masiika can walk up and down without any one's support she is now used to the surrounding and very strong. Gift Ninsiima is very strong and she exercises with ease, she can feed herself with improved communication. However, we have enrolled Mugisa Blake to physiotherapy due to his inability to coordinate daily life situations. He is very violent, he loves noise, breaks down things, loves to isolate himself. The doctors will ascertain the exact problem as the deal, him.



Figure 1; Physiotherapy sessions

NEW ADMISSIONS.

In the month of July, we admitted two children at Toro babies Home, in names of Kabirizi Alex who lost mother at birth after operation in Buhinga Hospital, and Baguma Charles who was abandoned by her mentally ill mother in Fort Portal Town. The children were transferred to Toro Babies Home in collaboration with Police and Probation officer to secure their lives. The relatives of Baguma Charles came through announcements over the radio came and took him for custody. The hand over was done through normal process with police and probation officer. Kabirizi Alex had received traumatic experience and lasted only two days with us at TBH and passed away. The relatives took his body for burial.



Figure 2: Admission and departure of Baguma Charles Admission of Kabirizi at TBH

SCHOOL:

Currently we have 15 children enrolled into school. We have 13 children who go to early bird nursery school, and two who go to Canon Apollo Primary School. Visitation was done to the children in boarding school and they are fine. They are all in good health condition, however one Mbabazi Dorothy who did not report back to school because of her poor healthy, is still not fine but under monitoring and taking medication. We hope she will improve with time. Baby classes at TBH are on going preparing children to begin school next year. They are receiving mentorship and couching from volunteers and teacher.



Figure 3: Classes on going at TBH

FAREWELL CELEBRATIONS TO VOLUNTEERS

This month some of the volunteers were returning back to their home countries and a farewell party was organized at TBH. It was filled with joy and happiness by reckoning their contributions made towards TBH. This group of volunteers was exceptionally dynamic and were very cooperative and supportive in execution of daily tasks.

VOLUNTEERS

The Germans, Spanish and the local volunteers are also doing a great job in helping us with Housework and others. We are so grateful for their support and time towards these children and the home at large. We appreciate the volunteers for sponsoring the children school requirements.



Figure 4; Volunteers participating in home activities

RENOVATION

This month we carried out renovation of the tank which had developed cracks making water run anyhow. It was fixed and the home is having standby water reservoir.

However, there are other areas that need renovation Shallow well at home and Kasisi Farm, Painting of walls, iron sheets, Drawings, and repair of the summer house for resting and playing of children.



Figure 5; Complete renovated water tank

DONATIONS

This month we received a number of Donations from friends of TBH and volunteers like food, and Security cameras, although we need more security Cameras in place for surveillance and security of all places at TBH. We appreciate Marinna for providing us with security camera, however we request for more to keep the whole Home secure. We plan to continue with fundraising through radio programs and others to reduce on the cost of buying things.





Figure 6, Donations from Marina and Christiana

EGGS from friend of TBH

FARM ACTIVITIES.

Kagote, and Kasisi we are preparing for this season planting and gardeners are busy preparing gardens for planting in august and September. We are harvesting bananas, greens, cabbages, sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes, casava, pumpkins. We appreciate the gardeners for the good work they are doing.

We are still facing a challenge of theft and we are suggesting that we buy solar for security at night and home use.

There is also a challenge of water supply in Kisiisi, there is need for renovation of a shallow well which is not in use at the moment. This will support farm production, goat farm, and home use.

APPRECIATION

- 1. Our sincere appreciations to Children Need Parents (CNP) from Norway their board team; Tore Magnussen, Nina Sand Magnussen, Age Mortensen, Torill Mathiesen, Hilde B. Cseresnyes for always paying salaries, food, and other things for Toro Babies Home.
- 2. We appreciate so much Partnershaft Gesunde Welt and Children Need Parents who have keept on supporting us with all sorts of things to keep the home running. This has sustained our operations as TBH and all the people who support Partnershaft Gesunde and Children Need Parents, we thank you so much.
- 4. Our appreciation goes to the Trustees and Board Members for their leadership and also for always being with us.
- 5. Our kind appreciation to volunteers for taking care of children and attending other daily work routine at TBH. We thank you so much.
- 6. We also convey our appreciation to Marina Meger for paying the medical bills of children, and always being there for the children and TBH as a whole.
- 7. We appreciate Spanish, Turkish, Children Need Parent, Partnershaft Gesunde Welt for sponsoring children at school and other donations made in the month of July We thank you so much.

CHALLENGES

- i. Frequent sickness of children increasing the cost of medication and caretakers attending to them.
- ii. Limited surveillance cameras for security of the area
- iii. The gardeners' houses are in a very bad condition and the lives of these are in danger.
- iv. Limited space in the classroom for children to interact with the teacher while doing their homework.

v. There is need for renovation such as painting of the walls, iron sheets, summer house, drawings which will all draw a new picture of the Home.

There is also need for solar energy supply at Kasisi firm and renovation of a shallow well.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Construction of new classrooms and a hall will create space for learning and recreation
- 2. Construction of houses at our different farms need urgency.
- 3. Purchase and installation of more security cameras at TBH
- 4. Renovation of walls and iron sheets through painting
- 5. Continuous sensitization of the mothers on health issues, this will improve on the health of the children at the home.
- 6. Solar energy installation at kasisi firm to overcome the issue of theft at night.
- 7. Renovation of shallow well for home use and gardening

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