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**ELIMISHA MONITORING & EVALUATION REPORT  
SECOND HALF YEAR SUMMARY 2020**

The Elimisha (Sponsorship) program seeks to promote education among the under privileged (orphaned or in strenuous economic conditions) children in Kibera community. The program aims to educate, empower and engage the children for a sustainable future.

**Reporting Period:** July 2020 to November 2020

**Organisation:** Spur Afrika (Kenya)

**Project Name:** Elimisha (Sponsorship) program | 101 sponsored children

## **PROGRESS AGAINST OBJECTIVES IN LAST 6 MONTHS**

### **POST-COVID PROGRESS**

Due to the lasting effects of Covid and closure of schools, there was need to put in place alternative activities for the Spur children to help them continue with learning.

- We have engaged the services of Nine Professional teachers to help the Elimisha children in their studies.
- We had alternative learning at the Spur centre and 3 other School based venues. 72 students are participating in this in small learning groups from grade 6 to 8 and all high school students.
- All children were provided with learning materials in the period of alternative learning to help them study at home.
- We have creative art and craft classes for 27 children in grade 3, 4 and 5.
- 91 students, which is 90.10%, participated in the alternative learning throughout, while eight students, which is equivalent to 7.92%, missed the alternative learning because they relocated to upcountry after Covid.
- 46 Primary students (that is 78%) performed above average while 13 Primary students (that is 22%) performed below average in the exam issued by the teacher of alternative learning.
- 11 High school students, (52.38 %) performed above average while 10 high school Students that is (47.62 %) performed below average. They need to put more effort in their studies.
- We had 10 children out of 101 seek medical attention from the hospital between July and November.

### **University Update**

- Two university students volunteered at Spur Afrika in the period their institutions remained closed.
- We re-admitted a university student (Faith Aseka) to the Scholarship Program after completing her sponsorship with a local bank. She is in her first year of university now.

### **Mentorship Update**

- All children were involved (at-least two) in small group mentorship sessions with a Spur Team Member. Topics of discussion were: Hygiene, Self-care and Responsibility.
- We provided sanitary towels, shavers, soaps and under garments to all the 50 girls. 51 Boys received care pack containing shavers, soaps, and boxers.
- We had online and one on one mentorship and counselling sessions for 50 children.
- 18 students who needed support had 3 to 5 counselling sessions with a Volunteer Counsellor.
- We had 2 educational competition at the Spur centre, Read it Know it (RIKI). All high school students (25) participated. We also had an oral hygiene sensitization program, 101 children participated.

### **School Update**

- Grade 4, grade 8 and grade 12 children went back to school in October and are therefore not part of the ongoing alternative learning.
- They are all required to keep social distance and wear masks even as the study.
- School fee payment of the children back in school was paid in November.

### **Food Distribution Update**

- More than 50% of the Parents and caregivers lost their sources of income between March and November, and this has caused a strain in some of the families. As a short-term intervention, Spur Afrika distributed foodstuff every month to the 101 Spur Families.
- 5 cycles of food, amounting to 75kgs per family, has been distributed between July and November 2020.

### **INPUT/ACTIVITY AND OUTPUT INDICATORS**

- Our Inputs: - Teachers, Spur Staff, Mentors, Volunteers, Medical Care and Emergency funds (Food Bank Drive).
- Our Activities: - School fee payment, Mentorship meetings, Picnic, Alternative learning, Art classes and provision of foodstuffs.
- Our Output indicators: - We had more than 90% attendance in the alternative learning. We also had 9 teachers coming on board to help the children.
- Our Impact was: -
  - a) According to global citizen, over 150,000 girls got pregnant due covid 19 restrictions in Kenya but none of our girls has become pregnant since the alternative learning has kept them busy.
  - b) We have not had any case of any of the Spur children being involved in crime, drug abuse or other vices because we have kept them busy through the alternative learning, RI-KI program, counseling and mentorship.
  - c) More children have become more confident and they know how to brush their teeth properly

### **CHALLENGES FACED IN LAST 6 MONTHS**

- Some parents need constant follow up to perform their parental responsibilities e.g. not following up on their children's home-based learning.
- We had 6 indiscipline cases from the Spur children.
- Some of the children need to be more committed and put more effort in their studies especially the alternative learning that is currently going on.

Other challenges were:

- a) *It has been a challenge following the government's covid-19 regulations, e.g. children need constant reminder to wash hands, put on masks and maintaining social distance.*
- b) *Increased cases of parents and children conflicts at home.*
- c) *About 8% of the children missing to attend the alternative learning classes and parents do not communicate.*
- d) *About 50% of parent's do not have substantial work to sustain their families.*

### **BUDGET UPDATE**

- Funds used so far in the last 6 months for alternative learning is **Ksh.1,000,000** which is approximately **AUS 14,200**
- Funds used so far in the last 6 months for Food distribution is **Ksh.1,924,000** which is approximately **AUS 27,486**
- The funds for the Program are sufficient and all the costs are within the budget.

### **PLANS FOR NEXT 6 MONTHS**

- Proposed spending in the next 6 months (2021) is **Ksh. 2,225,000**, which is approximately **AUS 31,786**. This includes a salary for the worker who is in charge of the program, meetings, and other related costs.
- Since schools will resume in January 2021 due to Covid, our plan for next year will be:-
  - a) *Recruitment of 10 new children to join the program*
  - b) *Review of tracking and evaluation of the children*
  - c) *Find attached proposed plan for next year.*



Niko addressing parents during one of the food distributions



Sponsorship manager (Niko) with Sofia (sponsored child beneficiary) during a school visit



Niko (White shirt & a tie) the Sponsorship manager with a parent of a sponsored child.



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