



Annual Report 2018-2019

**Mercy Care site:
Kamuwongo, Kenya**



Our site oversees a sponsorship program for children, many of whom are orphaned, abandoned, or from broken homes. Our Sisters also run a primary boarding school. To combat high rates of malnutrition, the site supports several school feeding programs. The site also provides medical assistance through a dispensary and extends them to the "out stations" through a mobile clinic.



Education

Goals

1. We aim to increase the number of children transitioning from secondary school to college and beyond.
2. Ensure all children joining secondary schools successfully complete their course.
3. Ensure that all children join universities, colleges and tertiary courses after their secondary education.
4. To avoid school dropouts at early age and ensure smooth transitioning to all levels.

Achievements

1. All 492 sponsored children are now attending school and are doing well compared to their lives before sponsorship.
2. The number of the students transitioning from secondary school to colleges and universities has been increasing in each year. This year we have eight students who have already registered in universities, six in middle level colleges and five in Technical institutions.
3. Last year, a total of 42 children sat for Kenya Certificate of Primary Education. All of them joined secondary schools. Out of those, five children received full scholarships and are doing well.
4. This year, we have 10 children who have already successfully completed their education.



Health & hygiene

Goals

1. We envision having a community free from common diseases and ailments especially waterborne diseases.
2. Ensure each home has at least have a simple pit latrine
3. To have a healthy community free from diseases
4. To ensure each family has a wash area.
5. To continue with the support in preventive health and provide treatment to the community.

Achievements

1. Health services have been taken to over 1200 patients through mobile clinics.
2. We have reduced malaria prevalence in the area of coverage due to use of nets and safe preventive measures as taught by social workers and the mobile clinic team.
3. Reduced water borne diseases as a result of emphasis made in all family circle groups on the importance of washing hands before handling food and after visiting the toilet.



Nutrition

Goals

1. To have a community free from nutrient deficiency diseases
2. To see healthy babies with strong immunity.
3. To have healthy and strong school children.



Achievements

1. Through the Chalice nutrition funds we have managed to support six schools to run feeding programs in their school. Over 1000 children are benefiting.
2. All sponsored families have access to milk from their own goats thus improving protein intake in children which help in child growth.
3. Improved immunity among young children due to emphasis given to young parents on exclusive breast feeding for the first 6 months after birth.



Family and community

Goals

1. To support the sponsored families as they establish and develop income generating enterprises for self-sustenance.
2. To motivate family circle groups to continue proposing and participating in small businesses.
3. To launch community projects to supply water so as to reduce to reasonable range time spend in search for water by the people of Kamuwongo. This time can be spent in other beneficial ways.
4. To empower families through family circles to start up Sacco's that enhance table banking i.e savings and crediting.
5. To initiate and encourage tree planting at homes and in schools.

Achievements

1. Through Family Funding, the majority of the families are now able to plan, budget and prioritize their needs.
2. The Ukasini rock catchment project managed by our circle group continues to supply water to the community.
3. Sponsored families have income generating activities that help them earn their living.