

Msimamo newsletter is Vijana Amani Pamoja's quarterly bulletin that contains in-depth news, stories and activities that take place within VAP and the community that it serves. The newsletter gives a clear picture of WHO we ARE and WHAT we do. Msimamo means "MY STAND."

From the C.E.O's Desk

"New Dawn, new beginning!"

As the world has just given birth to a new year 2011, the responsibility of developing, taking care and making the year a success lies squarely on our hands. As we have already been on our: marks, set ready and on our way now with our usual vehicle for social change (**soccer**) we believe to achieve our 2011 goals with this concept of using sport as a tool which has quickly emerged and being recognized internationally as an effective means of reaching youth with health messages.

Skillz Kenya HIV/AIDS program embarks to schools

"Skillz Program around the schools."

Now that the academic year has just started, the skillz Kenya gear has shifted from the community centres to the schools. Most of the schools undergoing through the program are new schools alongside few community centres whose programs are conducted during the weekend.



1st Mrembo Training of Trainers

On 3rd January, 2011 Mrembo program conducted a training of trainers' course for 7 girls who are the peer educators of Mrembo girls' program. Attendees had an opportunity to discuss a myriad of challenges and critical issues facing the girl child.. The aim of the training was to scale up the capacity of the peer educators by equipping them with the necessary information regarding sexual health issues amongst the girls.



Training in progress

Stop TB Program

*“Co relationship of
TB and HIV/AIDS
awareness”*

After successfully completing the Skillz HIV/AIDS program, students at Good Hope primary school also had an opportunity to participate in the Stop TB program implemented by VAP mentors as a supplement to the Skillz program that they had undergone. The students had an opportunity to learn more about the co-relationship of TB and HIV/AIDS. A total of 70 students are expected to graduate from the program.



Stop TB activities

Global Bikes donate six bikes to VAP

Through strong partnership with Coaches across continent, VAP received six bicycles from Global Bikes. “These bikes will allow VAP to reach even more children and grow their work in HIV Behavior Change” Ciaran McArdle, Business Advisory Board Coaches across Continents.



VAP coaches pose with the bikes

SONY tournament

VAP in conjunction with MYSA conducted a successful SONY under 12 soccer games for both boys and girls. The tournament was held at pumwani sports ground where 16 teams drawn from different areas within Nairobi. The aim of the tournament was to harness the power of football to realize the hopes and the dreams of children. It's virtual football club that anyone can join, any time. It doesn't matter where you are, who you are or whether you can play. All that matters is your passion for the game and your desire to help us achieve our goal of supporting children live their dreams through



Penalty shoot-out



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