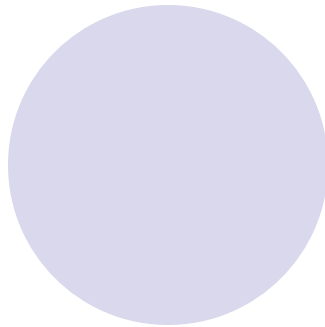
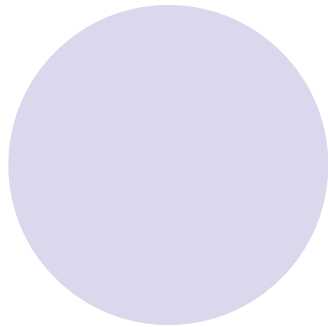


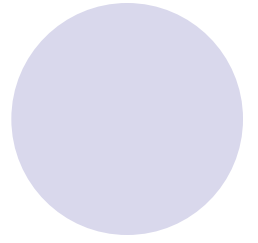
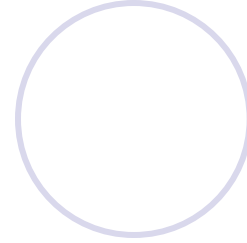
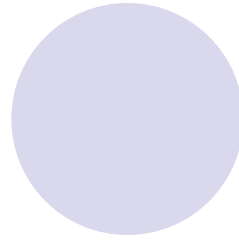
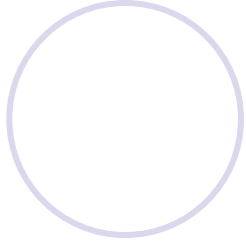
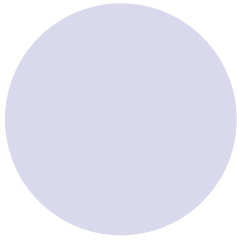
**RAMOSTHINYADI HIV/AIDS
YOUTH GUIDE
ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE**



INTRODUCTION



Ramotshinyadi HIV/AIDS Youth Guide is a registered Non-Governmental Organization (Community Based) providing Health and Social Services to people affected and infected with HIV/AIDS, Sexually Transmitted diseases, TB, other opportunistic infections and other chronic conditions including issues affecting orphans and vulnerable children and other socio-economic problems faced by many community people living in rural areas.





VISION

Ramotshinyadi HIV/AIDS Youth Guide envisages communities that are organised and able to address their own problems and needs in a responsible manner.



MISSION

Ramotshinyadi HIV/AIDS Youth Guide is a health and social services organisation that seeks to raise consciousness of and empower communities to take the necessary precautions and care resulting in improved health and social status by providing education, awareness, care & support, advocacy and lobbying.

ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND

The organization was established in 2001 to deal with health issues, with particular focus on raising youth awareness on matters relating to Sexual Transmitted diseases including HIV and AIDS. The whole youth work was focused around popular education which was conducted to different youth groups established throughout the targeted communities so as to try and curb the spread of these STIs to the young generation.

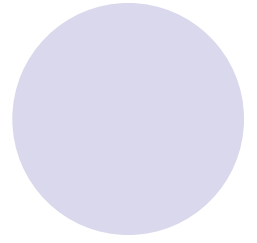
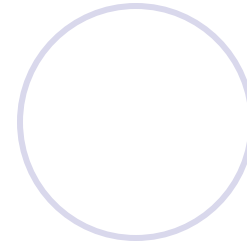
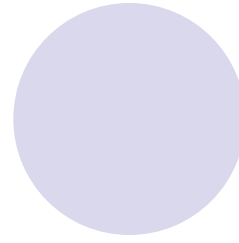
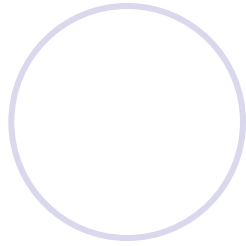
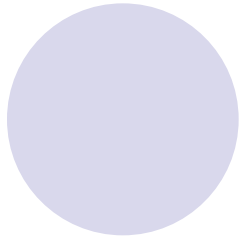
The youth work did not go unnoticed as we began to have scores of adults coming out to speak on STIs especially HIV and AIDS.

It was then that we began to realise that running popular education groups without responding to other needs of communities resulting from people being aware of what is happening in their communities and the assistance many people could get if they know their status including other socio-economic problems, that we developed different health and social programmes to address different needs.

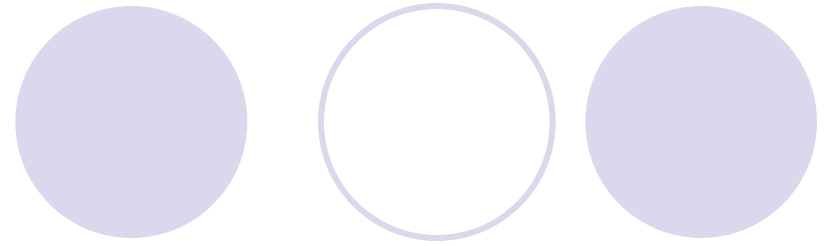


OPERATIONAL AREA

The organization operates in 09 rural communities which are: Ramotshinyadi, Mokgwathi, Mawa Block-08, Mawa Block 09, Thlothlokwe, Xihoko, Lekgwareng, Senopelwa, Mmantswa, Ha-Pelana & Senakwe and Wale.



Target Group



Women, Children (OVCs) & Youth



Programmes

HIV Prevention

Prevention of HIV/AIDS through Peer Education, Awareness campaigns (door to door, mass and information material distribution).

The focus of our prevention programme is to create an enabling environment for behaviour change in communities through education and awareness and reduce HIV transmission by promoting safer sexual practices.



Home Community Based Care

Providing Home Community Based Care (HCBC) services to clients (the infected and the affected) in their homes and within their communities and Direct Observed Treatment for patients.

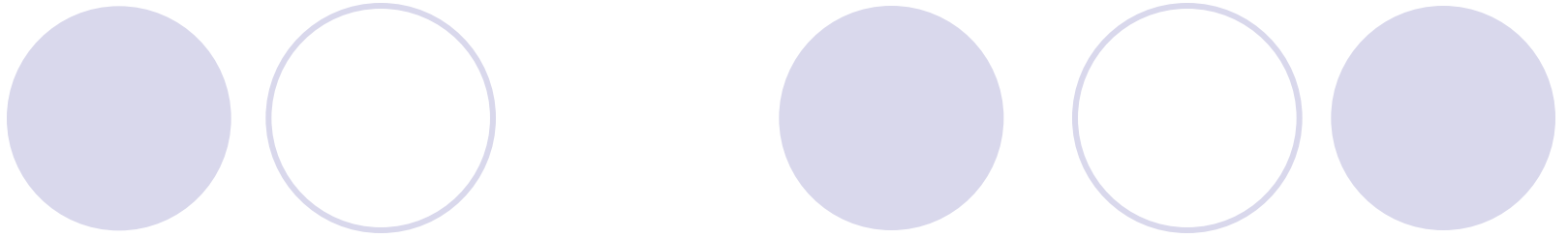
The thrust of HCBC programme is to mitigate the impact of HIV/AIDS by enhancing coping capacities, providing counselling and elevating the quality of care and support.



Care and Support of Orphans and Vulnerable Children

Identify Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) and offer care and support through community outreach and Drop in Centre.

The focal point of the OVC programme is to help create an enriching environment for children to grow up healthy and become productive members in their communities.



Besides these three main programmes, the organisation has the capacity to run HIV & AIDS and Voluntary Counselling and Testing Trainings. Recently the organisation has involved itself in economic development initiatives (income generation), which lean much towards creating the sustainability of the organization and maintain socio-economic well being of many of our programmes beneficiaries after donor funding.

Staffing



- The organisation have 07 Staff members (03 Field Workers and 04 Management Staff) and 34 Care Givers

Achievements

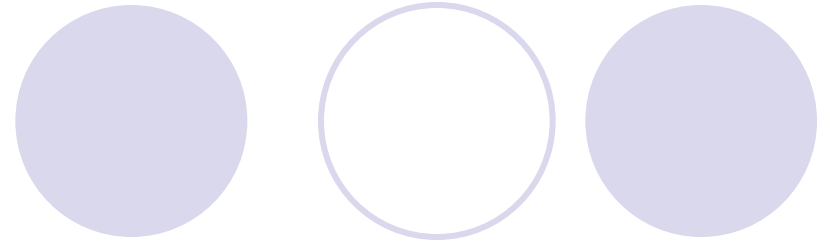
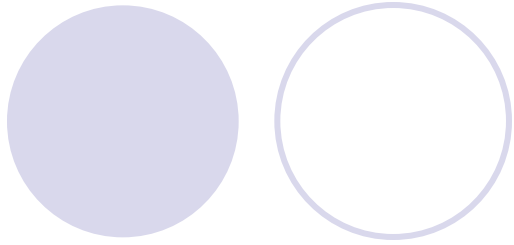


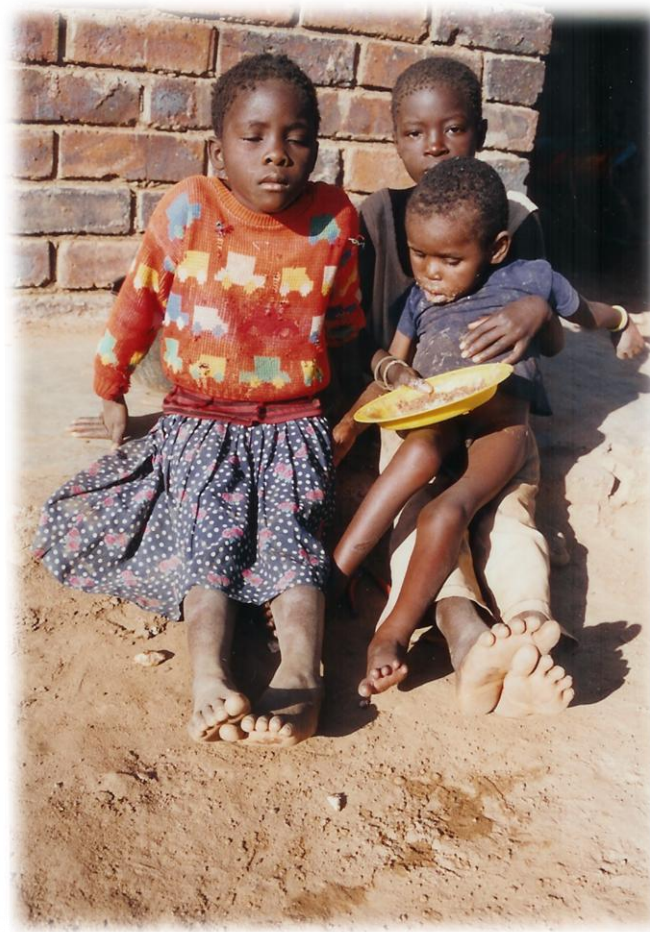
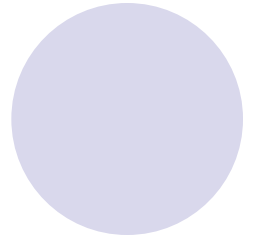
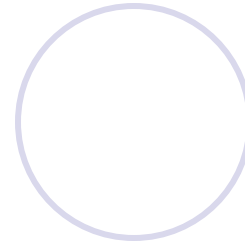
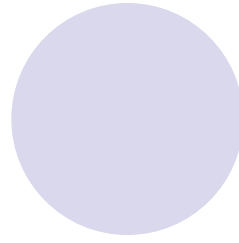
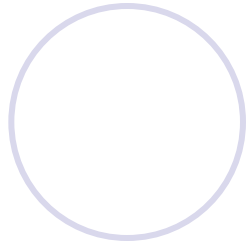
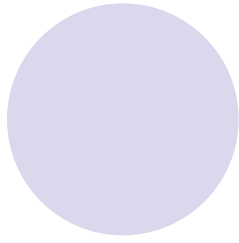
- We reach ± 500 patients per year
- We have so far 137 disclosures of PWAs of which 16 are children and all have been successfully placed on ARV Program and are receiving treatment
- We provide DOT support to 25 TB Patients
- We have reached 1266 OVCs through a range of services. 132 OVCs are receiving direct Drop in Centre services
- We have 18 well established children support groups

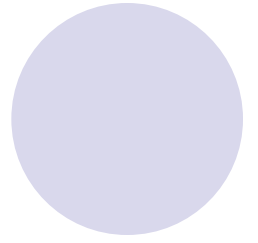
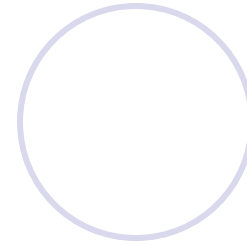
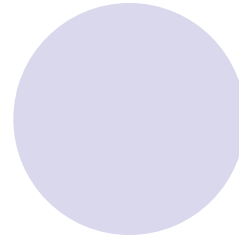
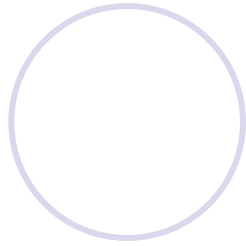
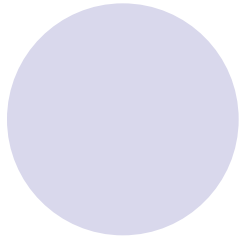
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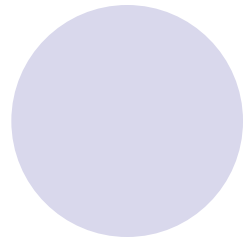
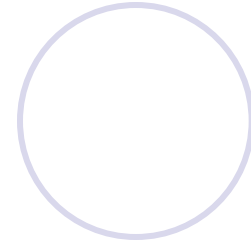
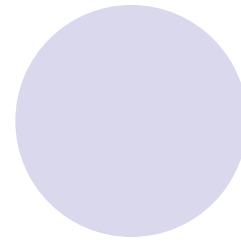
- We have established ± 60 Voluntary Saving and Loaning Groups in all the targeted communities focusing on families with OVCs
- We distributed school uniforms and educational materials to ± 350 OVCs
- We have established a poultry project for sustainability
- We have received support of 05 donors
- We have just recently acquired new office blocks with 06 offices, kitchen, hall, ablution rooms and security block.







Poultry Project



School Uniform and Educational Material Distribution





Donors and Partners

- CARE South Africa
- AIDS Foundation of South Africa
- Starfish Greathearts Foundation
- Firelight Foundation
- Department of Health
- Department of Social Development