

WELCOME TO YOUR

SPONSOR-A-CHILD

Monthly Report



Because of you, Aziza is eating everyday

HEY, HOW ARE YOU?

An update on your Children

We are pleased to report that the intervention in the lives of the children, made possible by your generosity, is bringing happiness and joy to the children in our fold. These children are gravely deprived in multi-dimensional poverty and previously struggled from day to day to survive.

Now with food in their tummies, we notice that the children are smiling more, we sometimes hear them laugh and we see them playing as normal children should. They eagerly engage in the activities we ask them to do, for example working with a coloring sheet. For the first time they have access to coloring pencils and crayons which they skilfully use to change a bland collection of flowers into a masterpiece.

You have been instrumental in this transformation. Thank you very much.

Interventions this month

We are often astounded when we come face to face with the depth of the need around us. We are so grateful to you for partnering with us. We are pleased to report that this month we have been able to purchase clothes and school uniforms for the children, we have contributed towards the medical treatment of the children and Anna, and we have been able to provide a gas cooker for the Mgaya family and pay their rent. We have also provided each of the families not only with school bags and books, but we have also supplied color pencils and books to occupy the children at home. It's hard to imagine, but these children have never enjoyed having toys to play with.

Clothes for Aziza, Joseph, Emanuel, Lilatu, Saumu, and Hussain





Weekly Tutoring

The weekly tutoring of the children is ongoing. Our academic supervisor, Mr. Ben reported that the children are doing well and that they show great promise. One day a president of Tanzania may come forth from one of these children, at least that is the dream of Leilatu, Anna's youngest daughter. After the children are more settled, we will begin enrolling them in special programs where they can learn Information Technology, Chemistry, English, and do other activities such as dance or learn specialized skills. We are dedicated to provide as much opportunities to these children to help them break the vicious circle of poverty and find their own careers and business ideas.



Feeding USA River Primary School Children

We also delivered the quarterly food donation to Usa Primary School in July, to ensure the school continues to feed those children whose parents cannot contribute to their school lunches. Often these children don't eat in the morning before school or even after school. Your money is making sure that even the poorest children can have at least one meal a day.



Plans to open a boarding school

Thank you for ongoing support. We are optimistic about the future, but we realise that things will not happen overnight. It will require consistent intervention and support from all of us to ensure these children realise their true potential. We have understood that the best way to help these children is to open up a boarding school where they can have a stable home life and focus on school unburdened. We will keep you updated on our progress. Thank you once again for your help.

Unexpected obstacles

THE MGAYA FAMILY'S STRUGGLES

We have tried various ways of addressing the children's food insecurity and after a few failed attempts we are now providing a weekly food delivery to the two families. However, one may have food, but if you don't have a means to cook it, you can't eat. This is what happened to Anna Mgaya's family. They had no means to prepare the food we provided resulting in the children not being able to go to school due to hunger.

After their Father died in 2020 the lives of the Mgaya children have been changed dramatically. The protection and provision from a two-parent family meant that they grew up as normal kids and therefore they are not as resilient to the harshness of poverty and deprivation like many others around them.

When we became aware of this situation, we provided Anna and her family with a gas cooker. Thank you for enabling us to be there for this family.

Heavy burdens are upon their small shoulders

These children carry burdens that no normal child should bear. After the death of his father in 2020, Hussain, 16 years old, is responsible for looking after his mother, Anna, and his two younger sisters. His mother has inoperable breast cancer which the medical doctors are unable to treat. She is frequently sick as she also suffers from peptic ulcers. Hussain's school attendance suffers when he has to assist his mother to get to the hospital. We are exploring alternative natural remedies to treat the mother's cancer. Because they have no income, we have stepped in to make sure Anna and the children receive the urgent medical care they need.

The Mgaya family were not safe where they were living because of drug-related activity in the neighborhood. They were behind with the rent which forced the sickly mother to send Hussain and his sister out to beg money from strangers. To keep them from being homeless and on the street, we have stepped in to pay their rent and we have helped them to find a different house as all these worries were adversely affecting the health not only of the mother, but also the children.

The consequences of poverty are not easily eradicated

Poor nutrition over an extended time has weakened the children's immune systems. We frequently receive reports of stomach aches and fevers. Emmanuel Mkumbo had a fever a few days ago which we suspect to be tonsillitis. Hussain, Anna's son has missed school for two days as a result of a stomach complaint. We were able to pay for his medical treatment to get him back in the classroom. The children remain very skinny. We hope that this will be reversed over time. We continue to monitor them closely and provide the necessary aid when needed. We have recently provided them all with de-worming medication. Furthermore, we aim to ensure that the weekly food of flour, rice, pasta, fresh vegetables, and protein like fish provide them with a balanced diet. We have already noticed that the skin of both Aziza and Emmanuel look a lot healthier.

Thank you again for partnering with us to change lives and give hope back to the hopeless.



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