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WELCOME!!!

Welcome to the Maboshe Memorial Centre (MMC) March, 2018 Newsletter.

ABOUT US.

Maboshe Memorial Centre (MMC) is a tax-exempted child sponsorship not-for-profit making humanitarian aid NGO founded on the 24th November, 2006 in memories of the late Dr. Rodney Aongola Maboshe in Mongu, Western, Zambia and registered under the laws of Zambia, focusing on helping disabled children and other vulnerable children from poverty stricken families go to school and raise their voices for the right to education in working for communities where all children, mainly girls can learn and lead without fear.



Maboshe Memorial Centre (MMC) operates through established structures such as: - Namakau Mukelabai Memorial School, Maboshe Drop In Centre (Shelter), Community House Fund, Maboshe Rural Water Initiative (MRWI), Maboshe Small Village Bank Fund (MSVBF), Maboshe Legal Clinic & Child Rights Unit, Family HIV/AIDS prevention and ART adherence clubs and Maboshe's Gift Scholarships and district community centres.

MMC operates as a rural/remote organization in Western, Zambia with its National Secretariat located in Mongu, working in Mongu, Sesheke, Kalabo, Kaoma, Senanga, Sikongo, Lukulu, Nalolo, Shangombo and Mulobezi districts of Western of Zambia.

MABOSHE SANITARY TOWEL INITIATIVE – MSTI provides free sanitary pads to girls from marginalized locations and slums

OUR PROGRAMMES.

EDUCATION

NAMAKAU MUKELABAI MEMORIAL SCHOOL established to serve the growing number of local disabled children and other vulnerable children from the communities of Western, Zambia. The disabled children and other vulnerable children from poverty stricken families attending the school. The program raising funds and building a school with chairs, desks, blackboards, chocks, pencils, textbooks & other learning materials.



MABOSHE RURAL VOCATIONAL CENTRE (MRVC) technical education, vocational and entrepreneurship rehabilitation and reintegration centre for young disabled and other vulnerable people who have no access to good life from rural/remote communities of western province – Zambia through Maboshe Memorial Centre (MMC). The centre participates directly in the fight against poverty and the stabilization of western, Zambia society through its skill-development training. MRVC is offering 1 - 5-years vocational training program, the young people goes on attachments to various local organizations and companies and will later go for trade testing examinations offered by [Technical Education, Vocational, and Entrepreneurship Training Authority \(TEVETA\)](#) in order for them to get trade certificates. After years of training, young people will be integrated into the society and monitored for one year making sure they stand on their own in business or in formal employment.

MABOSHE'S GIFT

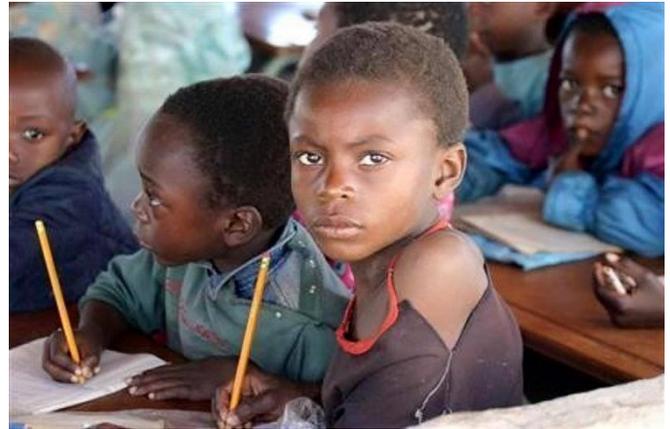
SCHOLARSHIPS(CHILDSCHOLARSHIPS) sponsoring individuals disabled children and other vulnerable children, all children on

since these are the most affected, the campaign aim to reach to underprivileged school going girls from primary and secondary schools aged 10-18 years with reusable sanitary pad a great solution to this problem because is super cheap, effective and sustainable on a long term basis, with this support will allow girls to carry on their daily lives more comfortably without affecting their academics.

With your help, MMC will donate sanitary towels and provide a service that will allow for a health care professional from the Ministry of Health (Nurse/Clinical Officer) to provide workshops that offer sanitary hygiene coaching.



our Maboshe's Gift Sponsorship scheme are carefully selected by a committee, made up of communities, teachers, parents and PTA members who select the most 'critical' cases, many having dropped out of school. The disabled children and other vulnerable children can be immediately reinstated into school once funded. The money covers all school and exam fees, books, stationery, uniform, shoes, school bag and blanket for one child. In the lower grades any surplus money is held in the school account for any extras needs or emergencies that the orphan may have.



SHELTER

COMMUNITY HOUSING FUND works to raise funds and building materials to construct low cost (3) three bedroom low cost housing to the mostly vulnerable families who can't afford a house and lives below poverty levels with low costing housing.



WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE (WASH) PROJECT

(Saving Lives through Safe Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene).

MABOSHE RURAL WATER INITIATIVE (MRWI) works in rural/remote communities of western, Zambia to support school going disabled children and other vulnerable children under the age of five (5) years with access to clean Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) and works towards improved response to clean water and reduce diseases with its offices in rural/remote districts of Western, Zambia with its professional team who go out to the villages to work with the local people on WASH projects.

MRWI works to free community disabled children and other vulnerable children under 5 years old from diarrhea caused by dirty water, poor sanitation and a lack of hygiene in communities of Western province with high cases of unprotected wells, **MRWI** conduct drilling water wells, hygiene lessons to improve Water, Sanitation and hygiene behaviors among school going disabled children and other vulnerable children under the age of five (5) years, build model pit – latrines in communities, hand wash

the project builds low costing houses units on behalf of the mostly vulnerable families. The MMC's community housing project will provide substantial mud huts with a concrete floor for the most vulnerable families using local materials to construct comfortably houses sleep up to four people. Providing a new home for a widow with young children or an elderly person who has no one to care for them can give them hope and a better chance of serving the cold winter months.

MABOSHE DROP IN CENTRE (MDIC) home away from home, the orphanage centre was established to settle the disabled children and other vulnerable children, disabled children and other vulnerable children without any care. Western province has many cases of vulnerable children who have ended up on streets or on cabbage places and gardens abandoned by their parents. The orphanage takes full responsibility of these children by providing medical care, food, education, clothing and beddings and shelter. Additional to that the orphanage centre also offers psychosocial support to reduce stigma associated with these children. The orphanage centre would like people to sponsor a child, contribute towards shelter, medical care, education, clothing and beddings, food, general welfare, building orphanage centre (dormitory), shoes, food hampers, clothing, beddings, soaps, braille and sign language symbols, rehabilitation and re-integrating, mattress, pillows, sheets, blankets, mosquito nets, toys, establish recreation centre, crutches, wheelchairs and hearing aids



MRWI is working with communities, villages and schools, helping disabled children and other vulnerable children in rural/remote communities of Western, Zambia! And its programs have a long-lasting impact. Good hygiene practice is maintained thus avoiding some of the life-threatening diseases. Families with access to water are able to grow their own food. A reliable source of water means small scale village farmers can harvest crops throughout the year instead of just in the rainy season. As a result surplus food can be sold at local markets. The program build on



the power of rural/remote communities to solve Water, Sanitation and Hygiene challenges in providing Innovative Village Small Grants (IVSG) to expand and improve their solutions to the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene crisis.

HEALTH HIV/AIDS PREVENTION & ART ADHERENCE CLUBS

addresses barriers with side effects and ART adherence, HIV prevention, transmission, child disclosure, sensitization of community members and leaders on HIV, TB, Malaria, GBV prevention, Anti-Retroviral treatment literacy, scaling up of Anti-Retroviral Therapy, Voluntary HIV Testing, Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision (VMMC) campaign, etc. by encouraging children regularly and correctly taking their

INCOME GENERATING PROJECTS – IGP's

MABOSHE SMALL VILLAGE BANK FUND (MSVBF) promotes micro-credit loan empowerment programs, raising awareness on the provision

medicines has key to one's health and that of the community.

- Family HIV/AIDS prevention and ART adherence clubs (family clubs) is a long term retention model of care

of micro-credit loanempowerment programs, training on entrepreneurial skills, Income generating activities (livestock- goats, chicken, pigs and agricultural seed parcels), by promoting the culture of saving with access to unemployed women who take care of the disabled children and other vulnerable children and individual small loans for bigger businesses and business management, to reduce poverty among households through provision of small microloans for bigger impact,



MSVBF is helping to reduce youth migration caused by the lack of decent employment opportunities by supporting jobless people to launch and run their own micro-enterprises. Under the program women and men are trained in agricultural and entrepreneurial skills.

18+ ON ENDING CHILD MARRIAGE campaigning message against traditional practices and beliefs and the low social status assigned to girls. Initiation ceremonies for girls who reach puberty prepare them for marriage and gender responsibilities as defined by culture.



catering for children stable on ART and their caregivers.

- Not all caregivers have to be ART patients to join a family club but the caregivers that are on ART must be stable on treatment.
- ART stable children and their caregivers meet once every 2 months.

A lay healthcare worker provides:

- Quick clinical assessment.
- Referral where necessary.
- Peer support.
- Distribution of pre-packed ART.

CHILD PROTECTION

MABOSHE LEGAL CLINIC & CHILD PROTECTION UNIT

established with the aims of providing legal assistances to disabled children and other vulnerable children whose rights have been violated. MMC's Legal Clinic provides free and confidential legal and human rights advice.



The program raise awareness on child's rights, provide free, confidential legal and rights assistances, provision of birth registration (BR) and create platform to amplify their voices & speak against violence through Community-led anti-GBV & Marriage, campaign to end child marriage by enacting or reinforcing legal provisions into practice in Western, Zambia,

Cultural practices such as polygamy also drive child marriage in Zambia, as young girls are married off to older men who are respected in their communities and families living below the poverty line, and families see child marriage as an opportunity to benefit financially from the bride price they receive for their daughter.

FOOD BANK: is an initiative of Maboshe Memorial Centre (MMC) to provide a co-ordinated central logistical infrastructure that collects (rescues) edible food from manufacturers and retailers, and ensures that this food is redistributed to help feed thousands of hungry people every day.



MMC aims to raise tons of food, which will be distributed to orphanages, old aged homes, homes for the disabled, shelters for abused women, children and youth development centres. Shoppers can purchase non-perishable foods at any shops and drop donations off at the MMC stand. The organisation is also challenging companies and schools to get involved by holding their own food drives. Those unable to visit the malls can make a donation online.

FOOD SECURITY. Food security is the ability to access enough food for all to support basic need of life, while people still go to bed hungry every night, that number has dropped in the last decade, due in large part to strong leadership and momentum across the globe to fight hunger and malnutrition. This situation is unacceptable. We have a collective moral obligation to achieve food security and improved nutrition for the millions who suffer each day. This global effort requires partnership, collaboration, and innovation the main food security challenges are produce more affordable and better food,

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers are always needed in a wide range of worthy projects including: free diarrhoea caused by dirty water, poor sanitation, girl child education, microfinance,



entrepreneurialism, women's human rights, access to ICTs, shelter, clothing, emotional support, technology access, entrepreneurship training, and all healthcares for girls & women.

DONATIONS/GIFTS

Maboshe Memorial Centre (MMC) is receiving donations and gifts for disabled children and other vulnerable children from poverty stricken families of Western province, Zambia.



create inclusive and sustainable growth, and cope with climate change. malnutrition still persist and continue to be a problem, affecting all communities in this diverse region Food insecurity is a major issue for many poor people and households, people are undernourished

SOCIAL PROTECTION

Many social protection programs target women as main beneficiaries. As such, extending social protection to rural populations has great potential for fostering rural women's economic empowerment. Social protection has an important role in reducing rural poverty Rural communities are often the hardest hit by crises and disasters. Supporting agricultural livelihoods can help reduce risks, promote stability, and drive post, crisis recovery.

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PSYCHOSOCIAL

Psychosocial Support as “a process of facilitating resilience within individuals, families and communities”. This support enables people to recover after a crisis has disrupted their lives. With the increase of unemployment, poverty and homelessness, psychosocial support has been crucial in addressing higher community stress level

- A psychosocial Support is a link between the community and mental health practitioners, counsellors, and other welfare stakeholders.
- They provide moral and emotional support to the community, they do not counsel or provide medication.
- They facilitate Psychosocial skills workshops.
- They are advocates for substance users and troubled teens
- They do home visits
- They ensure that emotional healing is possible.
- They are mentors and activator.

GIRL CHILD EDUCATION: aims at contributing to the Government's efforts of expanding access to primary and secondary education for disabled and other vulnerable children especially girls.

Zambia is one of the poorest countries in the world, with 64% of the population living on less than \$1.25 per day. Some 15% of the adult population has AIDS; an estimated 1.1 million children are orphans.

Girls experience high rates of exclusion from education because of extreme poverty, most prevalent in the rural areas of the Western province. The province fare much worse than others in government assessments of income levels, education and health. Zambia is ranked 13th out of 15 countries for literacy and numeracy by the Southern African Consortium for Measuring Education Quality.

Girls are far more likely to drop out of school, with the biggest disparities measured in rural communities: 27% of females in rural areas have no education compared to 18% of males. Pregnancy, early marriage and poverty are intrinsically linked and are the main challenges Zambian girls face in staying in school, particularly in rural schools.