



MAMA IBADO MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

JULY 2021

MIC RECRUITS ADDITIONAL 100 BENEFICIARIES FROM ISIOLO & KAKAMEGA COUNTIES

This month, MIC recruited additional 50 beneficiaries from Isiolo and 50 beneficiaries from Kakamega for the seniors feeding program bringing the total number to 750. The beneficiaries will receive their first food rations in August 2021. MIC is closer to achieving its goal of supporting 1000 beneficiaries by 2023.



MIC DONATES AN ANNUAL SUPPLY OF SANITARY TOWELS TO KEEP THE GIRL CHILD IN SCHOOL

On July 31st 2021, Mama Ibado Charity donated sanitary pads and under garments to more than 300 vulnerable girls in Kakamega County to keep them in school.

The donation will ensure that the girl child continues to stay in school, as it is evident that young girls have been victims of absenteeism and potential school dropouts. As a result, they are unable to commit to their studies and focus on building a better future.

“Most girls of school going age in the region come from poor homes. This is a major reason that contributes to a number of girls missing school for at least four days a month each month due to their menstrual cycle, thus leading to higher rates of girls’ drop out,” said MIC Executive Vice President, Mariam Ahmed.

Poverty levels in the region has forced many to use newspapers, rags, tissue papers, pieces of old clothes and leaves which are unhygienic alternatives to managing their menstrual flow. Through our partnership with Kakamega Forest Heritage Foundation, under a project dubbed, Pads for Success, the schools that benefitted from the sanitary towel donation are: Holy Cross Injira, Lugala Primary and Secondary.

Each girl will receive one-year supply of sanitary pads pack that contains a year’s supply of sanitary towels, 4 pairs of undergarments and a health education booklet.

MIC has donated sanitary towels to various schools in Kakamega County for the last 3 years.





MIC ACTIVATES THE ROOF OVER MY HEAD PROJECT AFTER ONE YEAR PAUSE DUE TO COVID 19

Mama Ibado Charity activated the housing project dubbed a roof over my head after a one-year suspension caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Prior to the interruption, MIC had constructed 63 house for vulnerable beneficiaries.

At the end of July 2021, two houses with washrooms had been constructed for Khadija Mohamed K-004 and Hawa Hamisi K/155 who reside in Kambi Garba.

MIC plans to complete the housing project by December 2021.



MIC SUPPORTS TOP STUDENT FROM KAKAMEGA TOWNSHIP PRIMARY SCHOOL

The top student from Kakamega Township Primary, who scored 398 marks in the 2020 KCPE, has been admitted to Bunyore Girls High School.

The student by the name Michelle Stacey Kweyu hails from a poor background whereby her parents were unable to raise school fees required for her to proceed for her secondary education.

MIC offered to pay for her secondary education as long as she maintains a B grade throughout her studies.

Ms. Stacey together with the Deputy Principal of Bunyore Girls expressed gratitude to MIC for their support.

When the shifita wars erupted, Asna Mohamed and her family fearfully fled to Somalia. Taken as refugees, they were shifted from camp to camp until they finally settled near the Shebelle River in a district called Qoryoole.

Asna, a fair girl in her mid-teens, married a locally known scholar. In his non-evasive ubiquitous manner, Asna's husband won over the hearts of his students. Out of reverence for guiding them in their search for truth, goodness and spiritual beauty, his students combined their efforts and purchased him a farm.

Asna worked on the farm and primarily cultivated sesame. From the product she managed to adequately care for her husband as he pursued his own moral perfection and tried inducing it to others. Asna lived well, reproduced for him and together they transferred the values of faith in their children.

In the early 1990s, civil war erupted in Somalia. Asna fled with her children and they became refugees in Kenya. Her husband found the idea of running away unappealing as he remained optimistic that the violence would fade away soon. When he discovered the death of some of his companions, reality hit him and he made his way into Kenya's northern town of Wajir where Asna had been waiting for him.

A woman who fled from Somalia recognized Asna and her husband and she began singing their praises as symbols of godliness. She managed to raise funds for them and built them a small hut from which Asna's husband resumed issuing his religious classes.

Envy-ridden elders in Wajir who deemed their popularity fragile sought to find fault in Asna's husband, as they could not stand the attention he gathered. Although it was widely known that it would be impossible for them to find any flaws in his honor, Asna and her husband decided to deal with the potential danger they faced.



“One needs to understand that even if you are born disabled, don’t rely on begging. Learn a life skill that will be helpful. Don’t be a burden to people. Let people volunteer to help you,” Omutyole Stanley Atito said with a visible expression of contentment. His own life is sufficient proof of these magnanimous words.

In 1975, Atito was born with what he now believes was polio. Unvaccinated and untreated, Atito lost the functionality of both his legs. Contrary to the assumptions that this disability will lead to the erosion of his liberty and performance, Atito enrolled in primary school. Every morning he would crawl over rough and rocky roads to get to school. His teachers used him as a remarkable example to the rest of the students. His peers loved and supported him and never mocked him. Through his efforts and beliefs, Atito outgrew a potential personal dystopia and completed primary school. However, unable to further his education, Atito steadied himself into earning a few coins by selling sugarcane cubes on the street. He sold each portion for a meager 50 cents. Mindful of the struggle he would have to endure in this job, Atito sought the practical support of a friend who passed on shoemaking skills to him.

With his new skills, Atito quit his sugarcane-selling job and initiated his own little hustle as a cobbler. The heartening spectacle of him struggling on his own and unreliant on aid filled a passerby with the utter expression of humanity. This generous stranger decided to donate a tricycle to Atito. With this new means of maneuvering, Atito was able to rest the weight he placed on his affected legs.

Furthermore, his landlord equally portrayed an act of magnanimity sparing Atito the burdens of paying rent. In addition to this, Atito has been inducted into the Mama Ibadó Charity monthly feeding program. Despite still struggling to earn a living, Atito found an ammunition of happiness and contentment through the good samaritans who offered him a smoother pathway of survival. “I was orphaned at a very young age. But I am lucky enough to come across good samaritans who have made my life easy,” he said.



BENEFICIARY MORTALITY

Unfortunately, in July 2021 Isiolo and Kakamega Counties lost three of our beneficiaries. This brings our total mortality since inception to 189 from both counties.

ISIOLO



85 year -old Jamma Ahmed (K-002) lived in Jua Kali with three dependents. Mzee Jamma succumbed to age and health complications on 17th July 2021.



Mama Asha Ibrahim Yussuf (K/236) was 73 years old and lived in Bula Pesa with three dependents. Mama Asha succumbed to age and health complications on 22nd July 2021.

KAKAMEGA



Mama Naomi Atriano Makayi (KK-016) was 73 years-old and lived in Roosterman with three dependents. Mama Naomi succumbed to age and health complications on 12th July 2021.



Mama Berita Manyanza Bwoter (CK-086) was 85 years old and lived in Musonga with four dependents. Mama Berita succumbed age and health complications on 31st July 2021.



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