

FIELD REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2019

Olasiti Children's Foundation
Olasiti Orphan's Center

Dear Friends and Donors!

Thank you for supporting us since the commencement of the Center, and we appreciate your time and efforts of any kind to friends, partners, collaborators and visitors. Your donations from last winter are in good hands and we've been yielding a sustainable chain of development.

Special thanks to FOTOS, Prof. Jeff Fadman, Lisa Petersons, Arusha Rotary Club, American British Academy (ABA), Build mart Ltd and Procurement Gears Ltd. Your contributions have been the core for weaving OCF development. Thank you very much, and we hope you can keep supporting us. Just little things/contributions/influences can make HUGE changes to our community and the world. Support us by sharing information, links, networking, direct contributions and any means possible to make a impactful difference.

NEWS and UPDATES

NGO STATUS

- The center is now registered as an NGO: "OLASITI CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION" under the Trustees in Cooperation Act (cap 318R.E.2002). Among the board members of the trustees includes Zenan, Theresia Silver and Joseph Makusaro. We look forward to add more board members as at the registration was very complicated and time consuming. We invite anyone interested to play part of our program and to apply. We expect the new system will create sustainable community development!

THE CENTER

- Thank you to Auburn Mountainview High School in Washington which made a sizable contribution this year through student-led fundraisers. Read more here: <https://www.auburn.wednet.edu/domain/2082>
- We are able to provide services to 92 children at the Center.
- We provided dormitory and accommodation services to 22 children who stay permanently for shelter, clothing, medical and education services.
- We were able to add 4 more bunk beds with all essentials to add more kids to stay at the Center.
- We were able to receive different groups of day visitors who had some positive attitudes and contribution to the Center through direct, intellectual and material support.

- In collaboration with caregivers, we have been supportive to provide home clothes, shoes, hygiene kits, first aid kits and female sanitary pads.

EDUCATION

- OCF has been able to find sponsors for 23 children to attend Patmols Island English Medium School. It is the day school where they get rides on school van to and forth.
- We've been able to provide school supplies such as exercise books, pens, pencil, crayon and rulers, day pack, shoes, uniforms and different school contributions and students' personal expenses.
- Zenan was able to work with others partners/allied institutions to design and supervise the rehabilitation of 5 classrooms in Kambi ya Maziwa primary school. The project is funded by the Rotary Club of Arusha.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- We have been able to support 6 students to continue with higher education [Michael, John, Seleman, Joseph, Irine, Jonas).
 - Irine just graduated from Maswa Girls secondary school and passed her final exams! She expects to attend University with a main interest in economy studies.
 - Selemeni takes tourism courses at Sokoine University.
 - Jonas is performing very well in his advanced secondary education.
 - John at Kilacha Agricultural collage is doing very well with top GPA where he expects to continue with Diploma courses.
- We had two graduates from teachers college who successfully secured employments (Longida and Bertha Polia) ,3 secondary school graduates, and expecting to have 4 standard seven graduates and two technical college students, Daniel and Fredy.

NOTE: Public or Government Secondary education has been provided for free. However, the children have to bring their own school uniforms and supplies as well as pay for their own remedial or after school tuition if needed. The standard seven graduates need some preparation courses.

Climate Change and Farming Sustainability

This year, Tanzania experienced climate changes where we had unpredictable rainfall that was out of the normal planting season. The wet season was very short that left some of food crops pre-mature. Only very few people made their food crops production successful. Because of this, price of food has gone up three times causing major hardships to some marginalized families.

The center was able to improve its philosophy on sustainable life skills through improving its long plan to support self help projects to ensure long term sustainability of the center. Our first

thematic area is to improve land and food supply to both the center and the surplus to the community

BANANA FARM

- Jeff Fadiman donated his funds specifically for the production of banana beer as he is a huge proponent of long term sustainability.
- The American British Academy of Oman donated to the Center's sustainability project. We were able to buy a banana farm which can help sustain the Center through harvesting of banana plantains and others food crops.
- It's a wonderful opportunity for economic growth and idea place for camping and nature walks.

THE CHILDREN

- Our kids are well trained, smart, creative and focused.
- Our kids are practicing self-help activities, such as blending her personal papaya and avocado juice.
- Between 40-60 children visit the Center per day for after school activities and receive lunch.

OUR STAFF

- The center has been able to hire and provide employment to 6 people, all very hard working, with different duties.

What's Needed this Fall

Donations to sustain our scholarships.

Donations to support our day to day management of the Center.

Goal this Fall: \$5,000

Any single or multiple contributions make huge changes to our community! THANK YOU very much for supporting us and our efforts. Without your contributions, our implementation becomes impossible.

With Love and Gratitude,

Zenan and Team