



ANNUAL SOCH ACTIVITIES REPORT

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Introduction

Since the orphanage was registered, it has been running without ceasing. The main activity offered at the institution has been to provide all basic needs to orphans residing at SOCH centre. Such activities include provision of shelter, education sponsorship, feeding and recreation. In addition to these, some construction activities were also being done so that necessary infrastructure is available on site.

Construction Projects

The front fence wall and the gate will be finishing shortly. The Car vat is made of Concrete and a bulbed wire has been fixed between the fence pillars. In addition nice passages and good loans have so far been demarcated. The drainage system is also finished.



Gate and orphanage overview

Laundry

Drawers and ironing Cupboards are in the process of being made. Children and Care givers will be expected to be ironing from here when all work is finished.



Laundry drawers & ironing board

Insaka shelter

The cool shelter has been re-thatched into very good grass and it leaks no more. The Loans surrounding it is nicely mowed by the loan mower. What a beautiful look! This would give evidence that the orphanage gets maintained.



Insaka, cool shelter

Feeding

This is one of the continuous activity at SOCH. The dining room where Children feed from is kept very clean and healthy. Children take very balanced diet food (refer to menu bellow).



SOCH Children' Daily Menu			
	Breakfast Time: 06:00HRS- 07:30HRS	Lunch Time: 11:30HRS- 13:30HRS	Supper Time: 17:30HRS- 18:30HRS
Monday	Tea with Bread/Buns with Butter	Nshima with Fish/Kapenta and Vegetables	Nshima with Eggs and Vegetable (Fruits)
Tuesday	Samp with Groundnuts and a cup of tea with milk	Nshima with Beans and Vegetables	Nshima with Chicken and Vegetables
Wednesday	Tea with Milk and Buns with Butter	Nshima with Fish/ Kapenta and Vegetable	Nshima with and Vegetables
Thursday	Porridge with groundnuts	Nshima with Eggs and Vegetables	Nshima with Beans and Vegetables
Friday	Tea with milk/Sweet potatoes/Burns with Butter	Rice with Soya Pieces	Nshima with Kapenta

Education

Most of the Children have passed and are upgraded to higher Classes. For example ,Silvia Tembo passed with 716 out of total 1000 and is selected to go to Ibolelo Secondary School. There she has started with Wendy Mulenga. Other pupils are waiting for grade 9 results. There is now more pressure on education allowance because each child requires a lot of fees, especially from grade 8 and above. Fees is currently in the process of being paid.

Health (Refer to the matron's data on another attachment)

Gardenning

In truth, garden is poorly managed this time. Excuses have been that vegetables do not do well in rainy season but the out-look and the cleanliness of the garden does not engulf the excuse. An appropriate decision is expected to be made in order to improve the garden condition. Currently, fish, ducks and chicken are there at the garden site and are doing well but the surrounding is not very clean. Some nursery is almost ready now for a second trial.



A little something on gardening

Updates

As a reminder, the orphanage changed its name to Serenje Orphans Children's home (SOCH) as indicated in previous year's report. This time SOCH has changed its postal address to;

SOCH, P.O. Box 850159, Serenje, Central Province- Zambia. SOCH rents this number box at the post office which implies that all mails are supposed to be addressed to this new address.

Conclusion

In general, the orphanage is running at its good pace and is still providing services to orphans. All activities are in progress and no big changes have been made.

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