



**SAKIYA CHILDREN'S CLUB FIRST
QUARTER REPORT 2024.**

A). Introduction

This is a first quarter activity report from Sakiya community for the months of January to March, 2024. Many activities were planned, some implemented and others are to be carried out in the second quarter such as Vaseline making and finalizing children's lists. Activities were achieved because of the funding offered by our UCUK partners during the quarter and we thank you for your help.

B). We planned to carry out the following activities in the last quarter;

- Purchase of porridge items
- Partners' visit to the children's club
- Purchase and distribution of scholastic materials
- Monitoring of club activities
- Psychosocial support to few families
- Payment of school fees for few children sponsored
- Training on Vaseline making and finalizing with the children lists.

C). Below in the table are the activities that were carried out in the quarter.

NO.	ACTIVITY	FINDINGS
1.	Purchase of porridge items	We purchased 50kgs of sugar and 100kgs of porridge flour for the children for club day. This has always motivated them to participate in the activities with assurance of a cup of porridge, which also boosts their immune system and it saves them the long time of waiting for supper which they eat late or even nothing at all! This has made most parents reluctant to support their children with a meal on a weekend at school and not even keeping for them lunch knowing that they have a chance of eating porridge on a club day.
2.	Visit with UK visitors	In the Month of January, we visited Sakiya children's prayer and porridge club. This was to hear and see the different children activities plus the progress of the program on ground. The Uganda Concern UK guests listened to and watched children present their songs in worship to God and speeches of their success through the help of the UCUK team, especially towards a few who graduated to different levels and are now working. There those still supported, and the club day items that are always in place create a smile on the children's faces and hope for a future. The guests also participated in different games with the children using the play kits that were offered to the children in the program which are used on centre days. This brought much joy to the children having fun with the guests!
3.	Purchase and distribution of scholastic materials	Scholastic materials were bought but the turn-up was not good on that day because it had rained heavily. So Pastor Matiya requested that the materials be given the following day which was a Sunday, but it was all tricky because the children are from different fellowships and location, and coming over again would be costly in terms of distance and time. However, we left the items with

		him and he would decide when to give out to the children.
3.	Monitoring of club activities	
a).	liquid soap making	This is a club initiative being a way of having a back-up in case of any serious need among the neediest children within the club. Joan, the coordinator says that so far they have made 11 rounds of this product since its inception, and each round gives a profit of ushs 15,000. The club now has ushs. 165,000 as saving which has encouraged them to work hard. This skill has motivated them and they have requested for another skill to boost up their savings.
b).	session and porridge time	children are handled by the centre guides for different bible studies as first activity before others are done on every centre day. This activity has helped children understand God more through memorized bible verses that keep them in check of their own discipline.
a).	Home visit	We visited Obadiah, a 17year old who is a second born out of 6 children at their home. He is a sickled child and is inconsistent in attendance of school due to his health condition. This has always affected his attendance both during club day and at school because he always gets attacks. We gave him a food package of 10kgs of maize flour, 2kgs of sugar, tea leaves, 1 litter of cooking oil and a bar of washing soap plus 2kgs of salt as necessities at home. The family was so grateful especially the mother who struggles so much with the husband in order to care for their family because she does casual labor to different community families in order to get food a home!
a)	Monitoring	<p>We followed up with Joan Muzaki who is 23 years of age, who is also passionate about making and selling liquid soap as an income generating activity for the club. We asked her about her personal life as a youth and her plans, she shared with us that she is now home with her parents but her desire is to do a secretarial course if she had an opportunity in life! She is a senior 4 dropout due to financial issues, her parents supported her for only senior 1 and then Uganda Women Concern Ministry took her on for senior 3 and 4 for only school fees payment only, and other requirements given by her father who by then was making chapattis on streets of Namakwekwe but he failed out due to other family needs and distance that needed more transport, so this made it hard to provide for Joan's school requirements on time which led to inconsistent in school attendance. Thus affected her performance at senior 4 level in 2018,</p> <p>Although her results can attain her a course she has not moved forward due to lack of support and her parents can't afford because they do casual labor within the community to only meet family needs.</p> <p>Out of psychosocial support we gave her a food package of 10kgs of maize flour, 2kgs of sugar, tea leaves, 1 litter of cooking oil and a bar of washing soap and 2kgs of salt to take to her family, and she thanked us endlessly!</p>
c)	Follow-up	Ritah Namasaba aged 18 was followed up at church as she had come for the youth program that takes place every Saturday for prayer and fasting, which age group is handled by pastor Matiya the club coordinator. Ritah is one of the youth in the club who has committed herself to be mentored through this

		<p>program. We handed over the food items to her to take back home since it is one of the families within the club that are needy. The food package was a surprise to her because it had never happened to them before that they got food items from office! So she was grateful for the support offered at such a time and the scholastic materials which are given on a termly basis.</p>
d).	Home visit	<p>We monitored Sarah Watundu, who is the vision bearer of Sakiya children's club due to the HIV and AIDS pandemic that was at its peak in the early 1990s. She is now 70 years of age and she testifies how the Lord has sustained her life for now 30years living positively as a testimony. We gave her a food package that left her so thankful to God on how He remembered her at such a time when times are hard!</p>
5.	Fees payment for sponsored children	
a).	Blessing	<p>We paid first term school fees for Blessing at Progressive High School in senior 4. She is a child to Harriet the Centre guide in Sakiya children's club since inception; she has stood with her children single handedly no matter the hardships she has gone through in life. Blessing had been on and off in school due to school fees issues but as we speak now through your intervention this year, she is happy and in school without any inconveniences. This is a great blessing to the entire family and big relief to Harriet who has been struggling paying Blessing's fees that at times she wouldn't get her reports at the end of certain terms because of fees balances.</p>
b).	Emma	<p>Emma was also supported for his senior 4 last year at Bugonkho S.S due to his financial challenge at home that had made him move away from Nyondo S.S because of fees balances that his mother and brother couldn't pay. So when he sought for fees support through UWCM office, he was granted the opportunity by our UK Uganda Concern partners which enabled him sit for his senior 4 and even imaged the best in his school. He again requested for another chance but on a different school for his senior 5 that performs better in sciences nationally, the request was granted with his fees and hostel fee paid in full. Emma is excited studying in his dream school and also doing the course he desired in life, the combination of the two have made him work harder with hope of attaining a bright future. He is forever grateful together with his family to you dear friends for your continued support towards his education.</p>
c).	Shila	<p>Shila was also supported to complete her tuition balances for her to qualify for graduation in the second quarter upon the complication of the study of a two-year Certificate in Environmental Health Science Course at School of Hygiene-Mbale. Shila, through the support of the uncle joined School of Hygiene-Mbale but alongside the journey he got stuck at the last minute and that's how Shila had to write to you partners through UWCM seeking support. She has faithfully stood the times of test even when the father abandoned them plus their mother who is positive. In addition, her future plan is to upgrade for a Diploma in Clinical Medicine if the Lord blesses her with sponsorship since Certificate jobs are hard to get</p>

		now. She is grateful for your support that she is now sure of her Certificate as a great achievement in her life and on another level.
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D) Next quarter plans

- Purchase of porridge items
- Purchase of scholastic materials
- Fees payment for blessing and registration for Brenda
- Monitoring club activities
- Home visits and school visits for children
- Psychosocial support to few families
- Training on Vaseline making
- Finalizing with the lists of children because are no longer in the club. So we are still following up on parents and guardians for assurance that there will be no reclaiming of any benefits from the program when their children return in the nearby future for any reasons.

Conclusion

The achievements above have been a result of the love and support of our dear partners, who have stood in the gap to impact lives down in this community

May the almighty God bless you dear friends and may He continue using you to make His people what He wants them to be for the glory of His name.

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