



# HOPE HARARE ANNUAL REPORT

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**THE PROJECT AT A GLANCE**

<b>1</b>	<b>Project name</b>	Hope Harare
<b>2</b>	<b>Operational area</b>	Mabvuku /Tafara Harare District
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<b>5</b>	<b>The project idea and the people it reaches</b>	Hope Harare scope of work is guided by three main lines: Health services, outreach and opinion forming activities. Activities to do with health services are mobilization and promotion of HIV testing, STI treatment and male circumcision whereas outreach activities include working with Commercial sex Workers, workplaces and youth. The project aims to reduce HIV infection rate and other sexually transmitted infections in the entire community. The project works with all age groups especially those of the sexually active and offers information meant to clear the myths and misconceptions about HIV and AIDS as well as other sexual reproductive health issues. The community works directly with outreach officers and each area has a substantial number of voluntary Hope Activists who are equipped to take up the challenge of fighting against HIV by having open discussions about the effects of the epidemic. The project reaches out to 35.000peoplethrough Mabvuku/Tafara and Masasa Industrial areas.
<b>6</b>	<b>The people at the project</b>	1 Project Leader, 1 Core Project Leader, 1 Book Keeper and 4 Outreach Officers
<b>7</b>	<b>The history in brief</b>	Hope Harare was established in 2002 as a coordinating centre for actions to stop HIV and AIDS and to support people and communities affected by the disease. Hope Harare deliberately targets the economically active population through its rigorous workplace programme which targets employees' in Mabvuku/Tafara and Masasa Industrial area since establishment.

## INTRODUCTION

Hope Harare secures its performance through investing in the community, allowing it to take the lead in its activities. Hope Harare worked with 5700 Hope Activists who were well placed in the community so that no section is segregated which enabled the project to reach 35 280 people through various health, outreach and opinion forming activities described in the report. Of significance was the number of people mobilized for HIV testing which reached 9600 people which a significant contribution to Zimbabwe's World AIDS theme 2016-17, "closing the tap of new infections". In addition, the project distributed 103700 condoms through 390 condom outlets that were strategically positioned in the community. Opinion forming platforms did not influence Hope Harare activities only but other stakeholders for example Hope Harare had to partner with Zimbabwe republic police in campaigning against person and substance abuse, which was a very successful event.

## PROJECT ACTIVITIES

This report covers activities done between January and December 2016.

### **Period 1: Firm Production 1 (January to March 2016)**

#### Health Services

Six (6) Outreach officers and 725 activists mobilized 3405 people for HIV/AIDS awareness and referred them for HIV counseling and testing and among these 167 people (69 male and 88 female) accessed testing services at local clinics and the figure also included mobile testing in partnership with PSI. During this period 26000 (25750 male and 250 female) condoms were distributed through various condom distribution points in Mabvuku/Tafara and Caledonia.

#### Outreach Activities

In order to promote care for people living with HIV/AIDS, 21 Community Home Based Care givers (2 male and 19 female) were trained. Worrying though was the low participation of males in the training while in reality HIV affects both sexes. The project also sensitized 104 Hope activists on STIs and condom use, and they managed to access information on sexual reproductive health, family planning and Gender based violence. The outreach officers and Hope activists managed to mobilize 152 females for cervical cancer screening and referred them to PSI to access services. 61 people from Mabvuku, Tafara and Caledonia were trained as positive living and after the training, established 15 backyard nutrition gardens with at least 6 varieties of vegetables.

During this period 266 youths were sensitized on STIs and condom use in collaboration with Citizen Health Watch, an organisation working in Mabvuku. From this group 19 were screened for TB. In collaborations with the Ministry of Small to Medium Enterprises (SMEs), 34 youths were trained on Entrepreneurship skills, and 20 young mothers were also trained on life skills. The Ministry also trained 15 Hope staff and a group of 20 positive living people.

#### Opinion Forming Meetings

Hope Harare carried out 5 dialogue sessions and engaged 300 people who came from Mabvuku/Tafara and Caledonia providing them with a platform to hear their opinions on the various topics discussed during these sessions. Men, boys, sex workers including the local leadership constituted the group. Men highlighted barriers that hinder some men undergoing VMMC. The pain associated with the procedure contributed to fewer men wanting to be circumcised, and the period that men abstain from sex during the six-week healing period was also noted as a prohibiting factor. Sex workers highlighted that: In other cases, they are simply powerless to negotiate safer sex because of poverty and in some situations clients

may refuse to pay for sex if they have to use a condom, and use intimidation or violence to force unprotected sex. They may also offer more money for unprotected sex a proposal that can be hard to refuse and because they need money they end up jeopardizing their lives. Youths indicated that there is need to embrace Information Communication and Technology (ICT) in the sexual reproductive health and rights programs. Local leaders emphasized that there is a great need to merge programming with good cultural ethics.

## **Period 2: Wave of Campaigns 1(April-May 2016)**

### Health Services:

Hope Harare distributed 15,400 condoms, (14,950 male and 450 were female) condoms through promotions that were held in April and May. 1,050 Hope Activists and outreach officers mobilized and referred 4104 people for HTC altogether and 57 people were tested through mobile testing by PSI.

### Outreach Activities

Seven Support Group members started a model garden and chicken rearing projects. Approximately 2,504 people attended and witnessed poetry and art exhibition in Mabvuku /Tafara and Cleveland. The theme was “*say no to drug abuse, child abuse and all forms of crime*”.

The event televised and given coverage on radio coverage by the Zimbabwe Broadcasting Cooperation. During the event 20 Orphaned children from Caledonia received clothes (jackets, trousers and ladies tops) donated by Positive Living participants. Hope Outreach Officers visited 8 churches reaching 1300 people in Caledonia, Mabvuku and Tafara where they made presentations on HIV&AIDS, STIs, positive living, and palliative care including gender.

### Opinion Forming Activities

Hope conducted 6 dialogue sessions with 2 groups of out of school youths on how to end early child marriages and 300 youths (193 boys and 107girls) were part of the gathering. The discussions on child marriage resulted in the Zimbabwe Republic Police supporting the campaign against Child Marriages.

4 dialogues were conducted with 68 people, investigating the rise of STIs cases in the district. Findings from the investigation indicated that the issues of multiple demands from multiple partners are contributing to the increase of STIs. The project conducted 8 Project Council meetings where the project issues were deliberated and recommendations made.

## **Period 3: Explosive1 (June 2016)**

### Health Services

Hope mobilized and referred 130 people, (78 male and 52 female) for HIV Counseling and Testing at nearby health institutions. These actions were done in Mabvuku Tafara and Caledonia. Hope Harare also distributed 12. 260 (12 000 male and 260 female) condoms were distributed through 40 new condom outlets. The demand for condoms was largely in Caledonia hot sports areas. This resulted in a huge chunk of condoms being distributed.

### Outreach Activities

Hope Harare managed to reach out to 100 young sex workers of ages between 19 and 23years through condom services and STI information in Mabvuku, Tafara and Caledonia. 360 people participated in two clean up campaigns at Chizhanje and Caledonia shopping centers to promote citizen responsiveness to community needs. An investigation was done in Chizhanje, Mabvuku, Tafara and Caledonia where Hope visited the 20 families with backyard gardens and discussed how the backyard gardens were contributing to the food and nutrition security of the households. To facilitate peer learning, 35 youths and 100 young mothers from Mabvuku/Tafara were trained as peer educators.

### Opinion Forming Activities

Hope Harare recruited a group of 15 youths (9 boys and 6 girls) who met every fortnight to deliberate on Adolescent Sexual Reproductive Health and rights issues. The discussions help to inform youth on the need to refrain from risky behaviors. Reasons raised by the youth for such risky activities were peer pressure, redundancy, poverty and mere experimentation. Some even indicated that it is because of lack of guidance from parents as some are shy to talk to their own children or they are too busy with work and furthering their interests at the expense of the children. As a result Hope Harare intends to conduct an opinion forming meeting on parenting with churches.

### **Period 4: Firm Production 2 (July, August and September)**

#### Health Services

The project collaborated with DAAC, City of Health, and Ministry of Youth in sensitization workshops at Chikurubi Complex Support Unit targeting residents and uniformed forces. Community Arts Projects, Hope staff, Sister in charge of Caledonia clinic and Zichire facilitated the workshop organized at Chikurubi for uniformed forces and in attendance where 600 people.

Through the community Home Based Caregivers, Hope managed to refer 17 people to Mashambanzou Trust for palliative care. A total of 17,400 (12,400 male and 5,000 female) condoms were distributed through a condom promotion in Caledonia and Tafara and Mabvuku.

#### Outreach

Hope conducted a 6 months Positive Living Course graduation for 68 participants, 56 were female and 12 were males from Mabvuku /Tafara and Caledonia. Hope gathered 370 people who graced the occasion. The graduation was held at Tafara community center number 2. In partnership with ZRP, Ministry of youth, Mavambo, trust, DAAC, Social services and CAP, Hope project managed to participate on the commemoration of The Day of the African Child. The march started from Old Tafara shops to Mabvuku hall where speeches, different plays poems, songs were portrayed in line with the theme “*investing in children and youth for an empowered society and a growing economy in order to prevent conflict and crisis and protect children’s rights*”.

#### Opinion forming activities

250 people participated in series of meetings in preparation of PLC graduation. 216 out of school youths participated in 4 dialogue meetings in connection with how to end child marriages. Other issues discussed included finding the best way to encourage other youths to go for Male Circumcision, STIs screening as well as promoting safer sex through condom use.

### **Period 5: Wave of campaign 2 (October and November)**

#### Health services

Hope managed to mobilize a large number of people for HIV Counselling and Testing and referred 1286 people for testing in nearby clinics. Hope worked with various activists from various organizations to mobilize people for HIV Counselling and Testing. 20 sex workers were identified as key informants for new teams who needed sensitization in Chizhanje, new Mabvuku, Old Mabvuku, Tafara and Caledonia.

#### Outreach Activities

Hope conducted a sensitization meeting on child abuse at Old Mabvuku Community hall with 280 people. The organization of the event was done in collaboration with Seventh Day Adventist Church from Old Mabvuku.

Hope participated in a Business Expo that was held on the 28<sup>th</sup> of October in Old Tafara and the purpose of the exhibition was for organizations to market their products and services to the community. The business expo was organized by Ministry of Youth. About 460 people visited the various organizations

at the stands and 150 people visited Hope stand. Hope conducted three day Internal Savings and Lending training to 23 PLCs in partnership with Mavambo trust.

#### Opinion forming activities

Hope participated in a Child Protection Committee meeting that was organized by Social services at Old Mabvuku community Hall on the 26 of October. The meeting aimed at paving ways to address the gap of birth certificates which was a real need for Mabvuku and Tafara .20 representatives from organizations working with children participated in the meeting in which a delegation from the national registration addressed members from the meeting on how best to assist children without birth certificates. The meeting also aimed at gathering brief reports from invited organizations as well as introducing new implementers for children's programme who were Shingirirai Children Ministries and ZIMWANA.

4 meetings were conducted with churches in Mabvuku, the purpose of the meeting was to organize a sensitization to the churches like Anglican, Seventh Day Adventist, and United Methodist church in line with abuse that included issues to do with fighting stigmatization of those people living positively with HIV and with other disabilities. The meetings comprised of church leaders and their subordinates.

### **Period 6: Explosive Actions 2**

#### Health services

A community Home Based Care meeting was conducted to share knowledge and lessons learnt from their areas of operation. According to the reports shared, there are very few bed ridden clients, the reason being that most people are on ART. Hope managed to donate 17 bags from Denmark to caregivers.

#### Outreach Activities

Hope reached out to new 6 tertiary institutions in Mabvuku Tafara and Caledonia. The idea is to reach the institutions with HIV information so that we catch them young.

#### Opinion forming activities

The project successfully held 3 PLWAs support group meetings with 36 people. The purpose of the support group meetings was to discuss cases of re-infection on STIs that resulted to the loss of 4 PLWAs. Some issues discussed during these meeting were on sustainable low cost indigenous poultry project venture where some members of the support groups were progressively raising rabbits and indigenous breed of domesticated fowls for example hens and cocks, chicken and eggs. People living with HIV encouraged all members of support groups to join these projects since it was healthy to eat natural poultry products while on the other hand earn a living with it. 120 Sex workers participated in a dialogue funded by NAC, the objective was to measure if they were benefitting from the sensitizations done as well as to give their input on what can be done to improve 2017 National Aids Council (NAC) funded activities for their benefit.

Hope Harare conducted 4 meetings targeting 240 people that comprised a new group of Positive living people and the old aged. The meeting helped the People living with HIV with information and knowledge on how to consistently take ART as a preventive measure which in turn reduces the spread of HIV.

## THE EFFECTS OF THE PROJECT ACTIVITIES

- ✦ The involvement of Hope activists at different levels of the project has helped Hope Harare to reach most of its targets in Mabvuku/Tafara and Caledonia and Msasa communities. The mass line campaigns helped the people in these targeted areas to access HIV, Care and Treatment information which resulted in some of them to take informed decisions and go for HIV Testing and Counseling.
- ✦ Community Home Based Caregivers and Positive Living activists helped in the formation of support groups for People Living with HIV/AIDS as well as the formation of TRIOS to promote ART adherence.
- ✦ Child Protection Committee meetings which were held in Mabvuku/Tafara and Caledonia in collaboration with the Ministry of Social Services assisted in sensitizing the community to take care of vulnerable children and protect them against any form of abuse.
- ✦ The opinion forming meetings helped the people in Mabvuku/Tafara and Caledonia to have platform where they shared lessons learnt in their own areas as well as exchanging information.
- ✦ The backyard Nutrition gardens started at household levels in Mabvuku/Tafara and Caledonia has provided the households with affordable and fresh vegetables to boost their food and nutrition security.
- ✦ The training of sex workers in sexual health and rights issues has helped them to realize their human rights and now are able to negotiate for safer sex with their clients or spouses.
- ✦ The positive living courses offered to the people living with HIV has empowered this group of people to eat health food through growing their own food free from fertilizers, stay health through sports, as well as utilizing the TRIOS to support one another and promote ART adherence.
- ✦ The availability of condom distribution sites closer to the people in Mabvuku/Tafara and Caledonia has helped the people to access condoms whenever they want of them.
- ✦ The involvement of Church leaders in HIV, Care and Treatment work has helped to remove the cultural beliefs and norms that associate HIV with promiscuity, and the condom as a method that is only used by sinners. This has also addressed the misconception by other churches who claim to treat HIV spiritually.
- ✦ The Youth dialogues empowered the youth with knowledge in drug abuse and alcoholism. This form of empowerment has helped the youths to refrain from and form of violence that is influenced by these 2 factors.
- ✦ Through networking with other key stakeholders in Mabvuku/Tafara and Caledonia, the project has managed to carry out more activities as well as minimizing the use of resources allocated on certain budget lines, avoided duplication with other key players and used the resources wisely.

## ATTACHMENT 1: THE PROJECT IN NUMBERS

<b>HOPE HARARE</b>	<b>Planned Jan-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Achieved Jan-Dec 2016</b>	<b>Difference</b>
People Directly Reached	35000	35280	+280
People Mobilized for HIV Counseling and Testing.	9000	9600	+600
People in PLWA Support Groups.	1920	1930	+10
People in Positive Living Control.	460	478	+2
Hope Activists	5668	5700	+34
People Trained under HOPE	500	750	+250
Condoms Distributed	100000	103700	+3700
Condom Outlets Established	372	390	+18
Youths and Children Active in HOPE	3846	3900	+54
People in Opinion Forming Meetings.	1520	1580	+60
Backyard Gardens Established	84	85	+1
Formation of TRIOS	420	425	+5
Monthly Activism	2112	2125	+13
Project Council Meeting	48	50	+2
Capacity Building Courses to Staff	12	12	-
Workplaces	150	152	+2
Lessons	336	360	+24
People in Lesson	3360	3500	+140
Campaigns	38	15	-23
OVC Supported	168	170	+2

### Comments:

Hope Harare has reached all its targets for 2016 as a result of networking with other partners, the involvement of volunteers like Hope activists. The project also made use of students from the Universities who were engaged on attachment. This meant that they was enough manpower to reach out to all the targeted people as well as implementing what was set to be done.



## ATTACHMENT 2: PROJECT PICTURES



Monthly Meetings for Community Home Based Care Givers.



Campaign on ending early marriages



Girl Child involved in Hope Programs.



Hope Project leader receiving wheel chairs.



Nurse giving counseling lesson to PLC members



Youths training on how to use a female condom.

## ATTACHMENT 3: RECOMMENDATIONS

All communications should be addressed to  
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04 November 2016

### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: RECOMMENDATION OF HOPE HUMANA HARARE'S WORK IN  
MABVUKU-TAFARA DISTRICT**

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The above matter refers.

The Ministry of Youth, Indigenisation and Economic Empowerment Harare East District acknowledges with sincere gratitude and honest praise of the work being done by Hope Humana in the areas of positive living and training in self-reliance project involving the infected. Hope Humana Harare has on many occasions shared the platform with the Ministry in spreading campaigns and development programmes.

Hope Humana made significant contributions in good networking system by participating on Business Expo which was organised by Ministry of Youth, Indigenisation and Economic Empowerment where organisations exhibited their programmes. The organisation continues to help in building economic resilience amongst those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, hence complimenting the work being done by Ministry.

We take this opportunity to wish the organisation well in all future endeavours

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. S. Masunungure'.

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**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

Dear Sir/ Madam

**RE: RECOGNITION OF HOPE HUMANA-HARARE'S WORK IN MABVUKU/  
TAFARA/CALEDONIA DISTRICT.**

The above matter refers:

The Ministry of Women Affairs, Gender and Community Development- Mabvuku/ Tafara District acknowledges ,with sincere gratitude and honest praise , the work being done by Hope Humana-Harare in the areas of Positive Living Trainings; Self Reliance Projects involving the infected and the affected and Condom Distribution among other development programs. Hope Humana has on many occasions shared platform with the Ministry in spearheading community awareness, campaigns on developmental programs.

The organisation is also credited on the computer literacy training program which they have carried to government staff in 2016.

The ministry therefore do not hesitate to recommend Hope Humana for the good work they do, to any other organisations that wants to work with them. We also want to take this opportunity wish them wellness in their future endeavours.

Yours Sincerely

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Sakubende R. Mrs. 0772913103

(District Head Mabvuku/Tafara District)