

Report on

Kamakonde Community, Zambia

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Updates

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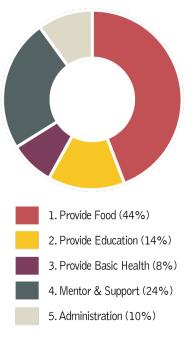
COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATION

Children currently supported: 100

Last year the well used every day was rendered dirty and unsanitary. It has now been cleaned and the children have access to drinkable water, essential if they are to remain healthy.

All of the children who receive a regular, nutritious meal at the Care Point have also received regular de-worming medication in order that they gain maximum nutrition from their food, contributing to their overall health and well-being.

2019 Spending on Objectives





The Care Point at Kamakonde Community is a compassion-filled, loving environment where the children are individually known by name and where they feel loved and accepted. Here, they are able to simply be children, to play and to run around without the responsibility that invariably awaits them at home. At the Kamakonde Care Point Mangani*, in particular, knows that he can rely on Care Worker, Rebecca, who has a special bond with Mangani and not only provides support, protection and loving care for him but also acts as a significant mother-figure in his life.

Life has been tough for Mangani. His father left the family home some time ago and, now six years old, Mangani lives with his eight-year-old brother and four-year-old sister in the care of his mother. Unfortunately, his mother suffers with mental health issues, making it extremely difficult for her to provide adequate care and sometimes leading to poor treatment of the children. There is frequently no food in the house, and,

with little clothing around, the children are often underdressed.

In Kamakonde regular Holy Home Visits ensure that the most vulnerable children are sought out and it was during one such visit that Mangani and his siblings were discovered. Now, with the loving presence of Care Worker Rebecca in his life, Mangani receives support, encouragement and additional parental love when visited at home, where Rebecca helps to clean, play with the children and discuss issues with their mother which helps to provide for Mangani and his siblings a layer of protection and safety.

Mangani also goes to the Care Point daily to enjoy a hot, nutritious meal and to gain access to health support. A bright child, Mangani loves attending the community school, for which he is provided with stationery supplies from the Community Based Organisation (CBO). Now you can frequently hear Mangani singing at the top of his voice and playing excitedly with his friends, as he looks forward to a brighter future and dreams of being a teacher.

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