

# Youth and Women Community Development Organisation

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**Empowering for Sustainable Development** 

## REPORT ON ITEMS SUBMITTED TO SUPPORT PWDS IN KOBOKO DISTRICT ON $6^{\mathrm{TH}}$ JUNE 2019

Over the years the organization has grown to provide services targeting all youth and women living in Koboko District regardless of nationality. Since its initiation YWCDO has been advancing the cause of the youth and women through implementing activities such as adult literacy classes, tailoring, arts and craft, computer/internet training and agriculture, micro credit for income generation, goats rearing and poultry, awareness raising on HIV/Aids, GBV/domestic violence, Support to vulnerable groups such as the PWDS etc.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2019 YWCDO officially lounged a programme to support Persons with Disabilities which started with contributions from the community and the people who graced the annual Easter Celebration. The issues affecting the PWDS are very pertinent and agent given facts that the government has little support to such vulnerable people. Much as the organizations lack funds specifically designate for this project, we managed to secure little funds through mobilization of local resources. On the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June 2019 YWCDO Staff delivered support to eight (8) PWDS who were profiled before the lounge of the project.

#### ITEMS DELIVERED

Item delivered	Quantity
Rice	6kgs
Cassava Floor	100kgs
Sugar	3kgs
Bars of soap	14 bars
Salt	40packets

### **Beneficiaries**

Rose Night



Rose Night a fifteen (15) year old girl is the first born of Rose Yenos' 6 children a refugee from South Sudan, she was born normally without any disability till after three days when she fell sick, it could pull her muscles, the sickness persisted for five (5) years till when it paralyzed her, efforts to retrieve her hopes to walk were in vein as they tried in the hospital but no proper help by then, though it was later on discovered to be polio.

To date she feels like she is still very young even when a 3 year old child disturbs her she cries.

The parents always try to do what they can to make sure she feels comfortable like other children at home.

On behalf of Rose Night Yeno Received 25kgs of cassava floor, 2bars of soap, 8 packets of salt.





### Flora Yeno a mother to Rose Night signing a delivery note from YWCDO

#### Ariye Bako in her 50s



She was born normally and grew up close to 9 years that was when the sickness started, she didn't have any clue to what it was but all she experienced was the pull of my muscles with lots of pain, my mother couldn't afford to take me to any health facility till when her legs became the way they are now- paralyzed. She faced lots of stigma from her situation and insults from her husband and the community saying She is disabled he should get a better wife, husband as a result the husband left, i had no option but to come back to my relatives with my children. She had no option other than coming back to her relatives and struggled to raise the children alone, Ayiki Denaya a son to Ariye is equally the same.

She has no proper shelter to sleep in, she survives on abandoned homes of which the owners keep sending her off after making it better, no land for farming and feeding is a big challenge.





Bako and Ayiki Mawa received 25kgs of cassava floor, 2 bars of soap, Clothes, 8 packets of salt.

#### Ayike Lillian



According to Ayikes' narration,her illness started as malaria during Idi Amins regime, all of them started vomiting in the morning hours and when the day went on one of her sisters couldn't talk and after some hours she died. Her parents took them to most of the hospitals but they were not able to find the medicine until they went to a herbalist whogave them herbals that was when they discovered it wasn't malaria but something else, Ayike claimed to have received a testimony later that a herb was springled on the compound and her sister who died was the one who swept the compound as for her,she remained disabled, though the local herbs did help her survive. She is unable to raise enough money for her daughter who is in senior one who is the only hope for the entire family if she truly gets educated and secures a job. She struggles for better shelter for her children since she has no support from their fathers.

Ayike received 25kgs of cassava floor, 8 packets of salt, clothes and 2 bars of soap





#### **Brenda Small**



Brenda small is sixteen years old, she is deaf she couldn't proceed with education because the parents can't afford to pay her in school, as we intervened she is interested in a vocational learning specifically tailoring that she can easily cope up with and earn a living though the parents can't afford to pay her as it costs close to 350,000 ugx(85.36 Euros) to attain the course. she has a follower who is disabled.

#### Brenda Received 25kgs of cassava floor, 8packets of salt, 2bars of soap and clothes





#### Rahuman Ayikobua



### Zainabu narrates Rahumans Disability.

She gave birth to Rahuman, when the right leg was already disabled.

It wasn't easy for her since some of the family members were not happy about it, they blamed her for Rahumans' Disability, some claimed that she used family planning, that's why the child got disabled."Never did I involve myself in any of those claims they bestowed on me, no human can challenge What the Lord has made, regardless of all talks i loved him so much, to date I don't have any support from my late husband's family but the struggle continues, despite my mother's situation she has helped me so much in taking care of Rahuman much as I'm scared that I can't afford to pay his school fees which is my biggest setback" said Zainabu.



Brahman received a scholarship for his primary education though not a full bursary.

Brahman and the biological mother Zainabu Sitima

#### Conclusion

The members of the community and the beneficiaries expressed gratitude towards the support. However as an organization we equally hope to receive more support for such vulnerable citizens who often times are under privileged as such we have a comprehensive project proposal that will be shared.