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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Shed a Light Initiative continues to make a great impact in the community as shown by the ever increasing numbers of those attending our programs. At a time when the country is experiencing drought leading to great loss of lives, we are grateful to our donors for helping us make the livelihoods of those we serve better. The children attending the feeding & tutoring program have shown remarkable improvement in terms of their academic performance. Majority of the children come from poor backgrounds and most of their parents rely on casual work which is hard to come by. To the child, the meal we provide to them might be the only food they partake in a day and this serves as a great motivation for us to keep striving to make a difference in the society. We have also been able to participate in The Climate Change activities through our partners on the ground and we are truly grateful to our donors for making it possible for us to execute our activities.

2. FEEDING PROGRAM

One of the greatest challenges children face in our area is malnutrition and the aim of our feeding program is to provide them with a cup of nutritious porridge and a mandazi. These are the children who attend our tutoring program, and this has led to the improvement in their general well being and a drastic improvement in their classroom performance. We have been serving a total of 1110-1200 meals on a monthly basis.



3. TUTORING PROGRAM AND LIBRARY

The aim of the tutoring program is to improve the literacy levels in the community. We offer two types of sessions:

- Learning Center Classes (~20 students) at our resource center/library, after school or on weekends
- One-on-one, in-person tutoring, where the tutor connects individually with learners who require extra help

We had a minimum of 20 children per day during our weekdays evening tutoring program and 50 during the weekend sessions. In October we had a total of 659 engagement sessions with the children and for November so far we have had a total of 512 sessions.

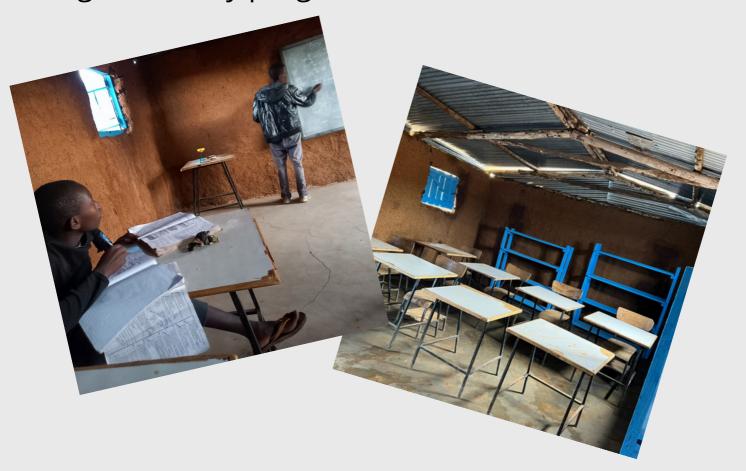


We are restricted the the space of our resource center, knowing that there is more need in the community and neighboring communities.

4. ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM

Our adult learners have shown a great improvement in their literacy levels and it is remarkable to see learners who had never attended school being able to read & write. In October we had a total of 368 engagement sessions and this month we have had 256 sessions. We are honored to impact such a life changing experience to our adult learners.

In future we hope to be able to introduce our learners to digital literacy programs.



5. PLANNED ACTIVITIES

The schools will go on a 2 month break from 23rd November 2022 to 23rd January 2023. During the long holidays, we have planned for the following activities for the youths:

Youth Workshop

We plan to have a 3 day workshop on life skills targeting youths in the community. The target group is adolescents and we will train them on topics such as self-esteem, peer pressure etc

Football tournament

This will target the different football teams in the community and this will be a one-day event

Fund raising activities

We are looking into ways of raising funds for the activities scheduled for December





6.FEVENTS

The realization of Sustainable Development Goal 13 is a priority (Climate Action). In October, our local partner Daraja Academy hosted the Climate Action Week which brought together different environmental stakeholders, activists, and the local communities. The mission of the event was to increase awareness of and capacity to address climate change. The best way to protect the environment is through education, raising public awareness, innovation and adherence our climate obligations. Activities undertaken included community clean up exercise where we collected garbage and then we had a tree planting exercise.



7. DONATIONS

Our donors and partners have truly made the difference for us and we are truly grateful for all the support received. In a time when the world is facing an economic crisis, we are truly touched by the sacrifices our donors are making to keep our programs running. Thank you for being part of the Shed a Light Family. In October & November we received:

- Cash donations from different donors around the globe
- Books & Stationery donations
- 10 Solar lights donations from Daraja Academy

