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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ASN Upendo Village has continued to live its name by providing love to the community and especially those infected and affected by HIV and AIDS. This report therefore, covers the activities that were carried out during the months of November and December 2016.

Among the highlights is that 8 of our sponsored pupils in class 8 sat for their Kenya Certificate of Primary Education exam (KCPE) and 18 students sat for their Kenya Secondary Certificate Exam (KCSE). During the month of November and December 2016, the department organized two academic days to evaluate the academic performance of pupils/students in the sponsorship program.

In the Income Generating Activities Department, 5 dairy goats gave birth, 4 female kids each goat and 1 male kid. 13 families were issued with solar lamps and 3 families were visited to monitor the progress of their income generating projects.

The medical department continued providing preventive as well as curative services to both our clients as well as the wider general public. Nutrition department educated our clients on the importance of taking a balanced diet meal, environment and body hygiene.

The social services department was able to provide psycho-social support to the support group members and the grandmothers taking care of orphans and vulnerable children. The support group department successfully enrolled 11 new HIV positive clients to support group meetings and 2 HIV positive kids to the kids' club.

The pages that follow provide in-depth of various activities that were carried out by the ASN Upendo Village team in the different departments during the months of November and December 2016. We would like to most sincerely thank all our supporters because it is as a result of their noble and generous giving that the lives of people infected and affected by HIV and AIDS in Naivasha Sub-County has been greatly transformed.

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ADMINISTRATION

STAFF RETREAT

ASN Upendo Village staff retreat this year was held on November 12th – 13th at Chaka ranch in Nyeri County. The members of staff enjoyed themselves to their fullest by engaging in various recreational activities such as; playing football and Volleyball; ice breaker games; team building activities and walking around the ranch. They also enjoyed a superb lunch at the ranch. After the visit to Chaka ranch, all the members of staff retreated to Tabor Hill retreat centre (Catholic Diocese of Nyahururu) where they were to spend the night.



Left: Upendo village members of staff travelling to Chaka ranch for retreat. Right: Staff preparing to engage in different sporting activities



Left and Right: Members of staff engaging in different sporting activities



Members of staff having lunch at Chaka ranch in Nyeri County

Staff had a delightful time together at Tabor Hill retreat centre where they had supper/dinner in common. Afterwards, staff members assembled to share drinks, engage in singing competition, perform skits and give presents to their secret friends. The next day which was on Sunday November 13th, staff members went for Mass together at Tabor Hill retreat centre. Afterwards, members went for site seeing and viewing falls at **Thomson's Falls** (74 m (243 ft) scenic waterfall

on the Ewaso Ng'iro river, which drains from the Aberdare Mountain Range). Later, all members of staff converged together for evaluation of the two days' retreat and shared lunch at Water Falls Resort next to Thomson's Falls.



Members of staff posing for group photo at Tabor Hill retreat centre

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

During the month of November and December 2016, the department organized two academic days to evaluate the academic performance of pupils/students in the sponsorship program. The first academic day took place on November 16th and it was attended by pupils at the kindergarten level up to class 8. In attendance were 91 pupils accompanied by their parents/guardians. The pie chart below gives an analysis of the academic performance of class 1 to 7 pupils. All the pupils who had recorded an exemplary performance were awarded during the academic day.

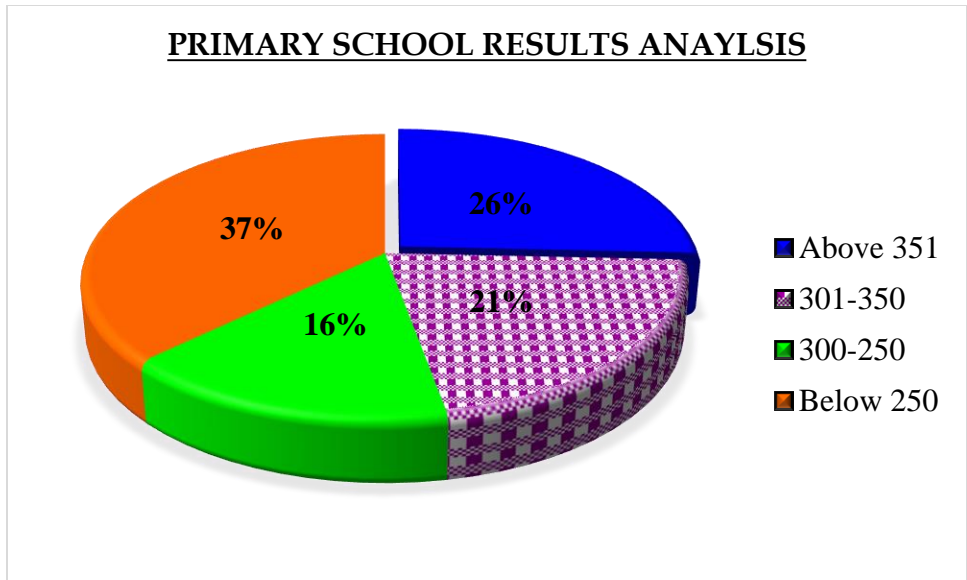
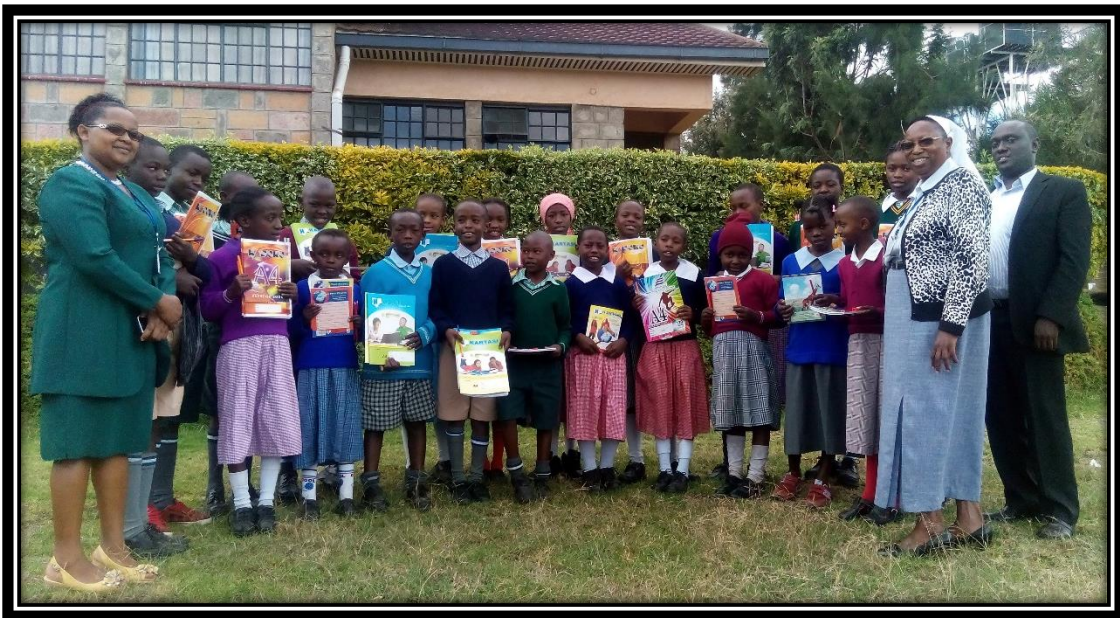


Figure 1: Primary school results analysis

According to Figure 1, a majority of pupils (63%) across different classes managed to score 250 marks during their third term exams. However, 37% of the pupils scored below 250 marks. The department made efforts to engage all pupils with poor grades in personalized academic counseling in order to uplift their performance. Most pupils will be progressing to a new class level at the beginning of January 2017 with a few repeating their previous class level.



Sr. Dr Florence and Education staff in group photo with some of the best performing pupils

The second academic day took place on December 14th and it was attended by high school and College/University students. In attendance were 92 students accompanied by their parents/guardians. Upendo Village members of staff gave talks to students on: General hygiene and responsibilities during school holidays among other topics.

The table below gives a summary on the performance of high school students from Form 1 up to Form 3. However, the Form 4 students sat for the high school final national exam and not termly exams.

MEAN GRADE	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	D+	D	D-	E	Z	TOTAL
Form 1	-	-	1	0	4	3	3	3	3	2	1	1	0	21
Form 2	-	-			1	4	1	2	4	2	1	-	1	16
Form 3	-	-			3	3	1	4	2	2	1	1	2	19
TOTAL			1	0	8	10	5	9	9	6	3	2	3	56

KEY

Z-No results



Sr. Agnes Waema awarding a student for good performance



Sr. Jackline giving a talk to students & their guardians

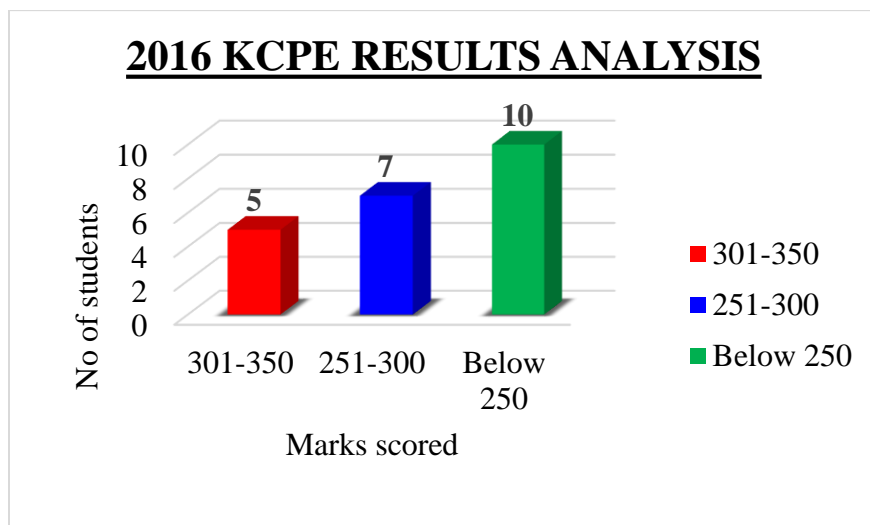


Students having lunch during academic day II

During the month of October and November 2016, the sponsored pupils in class 8 and high school students in Form 4 sat for their final national exams to mark the completion of primary and high school education respectively. The number of class 8 pupils who sat for the Kenya Primary Certificate Exam (K.C.P.E) was 22 while that of the high school students who sat for the Kenya Secondary Certificate Exam (KCSE) was 18 pupils. The KCPE results were released in early December 2016 while those of KCSE were released in late December.

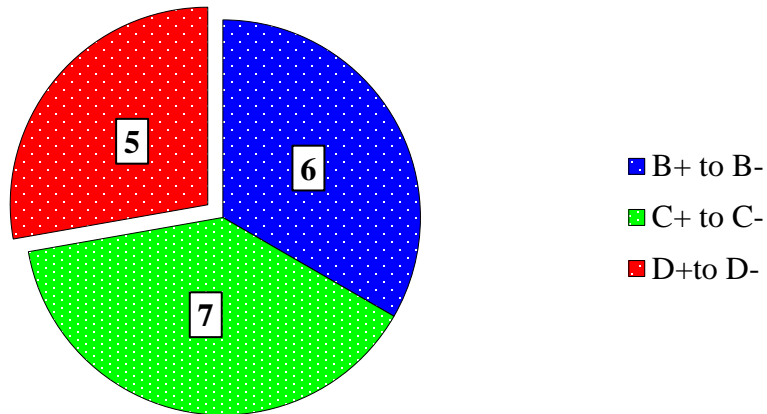
Generally, almost a half of the high school pupils out of the 22 class 8 graduates managed to score 250 marks and above with another 10 scoring below 250 marks. A majority of the pupils (14) who cleared class 8 last year have expressed interest to join high school. 4 pupils opted to join Technical schools and the remaining 4 students have opted to repeat class 8.

The table below gives an analysis of how the sponsored pupils fared in this KCPE exam.



A sizeable number of 2016 Form 4 graduates managed to score fairly well. Out of the 18 candidates in the sponsorship program, 6 managed to score a mean grade of B- and above thereby guaranteeing themselves admission in public universities. Equally, two students who scored a mean grade of C+ have also attained the qualification mark to join private universities. Those students who scored a mean grade of between C stand and C (minus) have qualified to join public colleges. The 5 students who scored a mean grade of between D(plus) and D (minus) will be joining Technical schools to undertake various craft and artisan courses.

2016 KCSE ANALYSIS



INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT

During the period under review, the program worked very hard to meet the goal of empowering and enlightening clients to start different projects in order to improve their living standards and to break poverty cycle. Upendo Village has witnessed this improvement since some of our clients are able to meet some needs of their families.

DAIRY GOATS PROJECT

During the period under review, 5 dairy goats gave birth: 4 male kids and 1 female kid. Milk production from these dairy goats on average is 0.75 litres.

SOLAR LANTERNS PROJECT

During the period under review, 13 families were issued with the solar lamps and they were very happy since their school going children will have enough lighting to undertake their school assignments and also use the lamps in charging their phones.



Sr. Dr. Florence and Solar lamp beneficiaries posing for a group photo during distribution of lamps

HOME VISITS

3 families were visited to monitor the progress of their income generating projects.

SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

During the period under review, 444 clients and 92 guardians were taught on how to initiate new income generating projects.

Number of families which have benefited from various income generating projects since inception of the projects:

Dairy Alpine German goats for milk	486
Improved Chicken for eggs & meat	630

Solar Ovens for Cooking	343
Solar Lamps for Lighting	302
Interest Free Loans	181
Bee hives	30
Craft Making	12
Total Families Benefited	1,984

THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

During the period under review, ASN Upendo village medical facility continued to offer the following services to its clientele:

- ✚ Curative
- ✚ Preventive
- ✚ Promotive (Health messages)
- ✚ Rehabilitative health services (Chronically ill)

ACTIVITIES

During the December holiday, the department managed to carry out a routine medical checkup for all students and pupils under ASN Upendo Village education sponsorship and those who were ailing were given the right medical attention/care.

The table below shows services offered in different departments for the period under review

Services Offered	November	December	Totals
	2016	2016	
Outpatient Department(OPD)	403	443	846

Child Welfare Clinic(CWC)	108	142	250
Antenatal Clinic (ANC)	8	11	19
Comprehensive Care Clinic (CCC)	14	17	31
Voluntary Counseling and Testing (VCT)	19	24	43
Laboratory Tests	281	408	689
Cervical Cancer Screening	2	3	5
Physiotherapy	0	0	0

TOP TEN INSTITUTION DISEASES

1. Upper respiratory tract infection(URTI)
2. Skin infections
3. Joint pains and diseases
4. Hypertension
5. Pneumonia
6. Septicemia
7. Typhoid fever
8. Urinary tract infection(UTI)
9. Diabetes mellitus
10. Diarrheal diseases

NUTRITION DEPARTMENT

During the period under review, the department was keen on educating members of four support groups on the following topics:

- ✚ Taking a well-balanced diet
- ✚ Personal and environmental hygiene
- ✚ Procedures followed while preparing meals
- ✚ Proper hand washing methods and procedures

NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS

During the month of November and December, ASN Upendo Village through the nutritional department managed and succeeded to provide nutritional supplements to an average of 222 clients and 44 grandmothers.



Grandmas receiving cereals as part of the monthly food donation distributed during grannies' meetings

SUPPORT GROUP ATTENDANCE

Name of the support group	Nov 2016	Dec 2016
Mai-mahiu	43	35
Karai	85	68
Mirera	71	72
Town	31	39
Total	230	214

During the period under review, the department also successfully fed and served around 500 students together with their guardian who attended academic and kids club meetings.



Kids been served with nutritious Lunch at ASN Upendo Village

DONATION

In the month of December, a local benefactor donated sugar, washing detergents, sanitary towels, cooking oil and toilet papers. The donation was distributed during the Christmas season to the needy and disadvantaged clients.

SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

SUPPORT GROUPS

During the months of December, the department evaluated all the expectations that had been outlined and set to be achieved in the beginning of the year. All members of support group appreciated for the support they had been receiving throughout the year from ASN Upendo Village. They cited that since joining support group meetings, they have started small income generating businesses hence they are able to place a meal on table supplementing the nutritional supplements received from Upendo Village.

GRANDMOTHERS PROJECT

CHRISTMAS GIFT (DONATION)

Grannies shoulder/ bear the burden of caring for the orphaned children. In December 2016, a friend of Upendo Village from US (grandmother) donated Christmas gift to ASN Upendo Village grandmothers. The donation in cash was used to buy food stuffs which were distributed to grandmothers on Christmas festive season. They were very grateful and appreciative to the donor.



Left: Sr. Agnes Waema and Patricia sorting out grandmas Christmas gifts. Right: Upendo Village members of staff and grandmas in a group photo displaying their Christmas gifts



Sr. Susan and Grannies displaying different gifts received at ASN Upendo Village

KIDS CLUB AND TEENAGERS

On November 30th, the department held meeting for kids between 3 to 12 years. 35 kids turned up with 31 guardians. On December 7th, 2016, the department also held meeting for teenagers (above 13 years) and 7 children turned up with 5 guardians.



Kids taking lunch during kid's club meeting

WORLD AIDS DAY 2016

Theme: "Hands up for HIV prevention".

World AIDS Day is held on the 1st December each year and is an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, show their support for people living with HIV and to commemorate people who have died.

Upendo village mobilized clients to mark World AIDS day on 1st Dec 2016. The department managed to organize the purchase and printing of World AIDS Day T-shirts worn by clients and grandmothers for the day. The day started with a word of prayer by Fr. Kubai of St. Francis Xavier Catholic church. Speeches were given by ASN Upendo Village representative and a Health program manager from Ubuntu Life Line International. Thereafter, flagging off was done by Ann Wanjiru Program Manager Maisha Bora Initiative Youth Program. We had a procession and

created awareness around Naivasha town and concluded the day by taking some snacks. In total, we had 90 clients who united together to celebrate the day at St. Francis Xavier Catholic church.



Clients creating awareness at a bus terminals during World AIDS Day

HOME VISITS

During the period under review, department made 4 home visits. It is during these visits that the department assesses clients who are in need and can benefit from Upendo Village programs.

PREVENTION OF MOTHER TO CHILD TRANSMISSION OF HIV (PMTCT PROJECT)

ASN Upendo Village continues to support HIV exposed babies with formula milk. Exclusive replacement feeding is the best choice if we want to prevent mother to child transmission of HIV. During the months of November and December 2016, the department distributed 72 and 60 tins of formula milk respectively. We had 11 babies on formula milk and 1 expectant mothers.



Sr. Susan with beneficiaries of infant formula milk posing for a photo at ASN Upendo Village

ENROLMENT

Clients	November 2016	December 2016	Cumulative
HIV positive men	0	2	768
HIV positive women	4	5	2,207
HIV positive children	1	1	340
OVCs	10	14	6,360
House hold members	2	10	2,988
PMTCT Babies	1	0	356