

Mama Jane Children Care Centre,

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RE: ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT FOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, SPONSORS, DONORS, WELL WISHERS, FRIENDS FOR PERIOD JANUARY-DECEMBER 2021.

Dear Foster Parents, Donors, Well-wishers, and Friends,

On behalf of the entire Mama Jane Fraternity, Kindly accept our humble greetings from this end. We wish to thank the Almighty God for His Love, Care and Providence in this ending year 2021. In this ending year, Mama Jane Family faced many problems and misfortunes, we lost our Mum the Late Agnes Nabawanga (RIP), and many of our relatives and friends, a minute of silence for all those Souls to rest in eternal peace, Amen.

We also faced a challenge of the Lockdown, it was the first time ever and everything was strange, schools have been closed for now two years, children have been learning at home and this had a bearing on the learning and growth of the children, the new form of learning being new was expensive and not child friendly

Addition to the above, the economic situation has also hit us greatly, the Council has been on our doors for ground rates and property rates – this is a great challenge for us, because they usually give short time for paying once the invoice is issued, we humbly request any good friend of the home to help the home with the ground rates.

Staff

The Staff has remained the same both for the Nursery and Home Care Givers and Gardens and guest House and they have served diligently. The only challenge with Lockdown, the Nursery was closed and so the teachers became redundant so they have been off the station of work but still continued to receive some support from Mama Jane Children Care Centre.

Administration.

Mama Jane Children Care Centre like all the other Orphans and Vulnerable Children Centers (OVCs) have ended this year with tension of the ever changing new policy of Alternative Care. The aims and objectives, Vision, Mission, Goals, Core Values have been maintained. Institutional Care, Family Support and Supervised Independent Living are still operational. The Administration is charged with the responsibility of monitoring and supervising the children at schools and holding meetings with the guardians for those on Family Support.

Education.

I wish to express our sincere appreciation to all the sponsors and friends through which our children have received education and also the necessary requirements though this year there has been no organized learning apart from Home Learning which has been new and strange. None the less the children have been active and generally they have performed according to the assessment done from the learning materials. This year we also had two graduates from Makerere University in June.

Health.

The health of the children has been generally good, we have not had admission to outside clinics, we wish to thank Madhvani Group, Jinja Education Trust, Tip Top, East African Packaging, Indian Community, Picfare, George from Senegal, Nile Ply, Kairu Family, Jinja, Municipal Council Health Centre, Islamic Hospital Gabula Road and all the friends of the home. All the friends mentioned have done a great deal to ensure that these children have a good diet which has culminated into good health. Secondly all children have been immunized thus polio, tetanus, measles, deworming, hepatitis, VCT e.t.c. we thank the Uganda Government for all these exercises.

Activities.

All the activities have been maintained thus feeding, sports, education, life skill training, spiritual development, resettlement supervising, parents and guardians meeting and sensitization about alternative care.

Projects.

- The Guest House and Plot Number 24 have remained a sustainable and permanent source of income for the home, the tenants have contribute generously to the home, the only challenge is that the two structures are in a sole state and require urgent renovation before they can get more damaged.
- 2. The Tailoring project is another vocational and life skill training for the children, this is another project that is slowly picking up with the new ideas and items made by the children. I am happy that children have picked interest and for now they can even make their own clothes and for the young ones.
- 3. The Nursery Project is another venture through which Mama Jane Children Care Centre gets some income but for the entire year, the Nursery has been closed so no income has been realized, we are only waiting for the Government next year to open schools so we can resume again
- 4. Garden Project: the Garden was the main source of food for the children with the different crops grown like the Maize, Beans, Bananas, Cassava and Sweet Potatoes but last year and this year we have just planted the food so we hope to harvest next year. The only challenge we are facing are the Land grabbers . in the coming year, we wish to embark on obtaining Land titles to avoid land theft.
- 5. Livestock and Poultry. This project is still running and 2 calves have been delivered this year, the the poultry project is active and soon we shall have layers for better a yield.

6. Vocational Project. I wish to thank the Almighty God for the good friends who donated funds which have made us reach this far. We are now painting the building and hopefully next year we shall start. God bless these people.

Achievements.

I wish to appreciate all the Persons/ Organizations/ Government Department who have made Mama Jane to achieve the following, I know it has not been easy but I thank the Good Lord for this gesture.

- 1. Feeding the children.
- 2. Managed to educate the children in the Lockdown.
- 3. All the children are Healthy and we have not had any covid 19 patients among the children and staff.
- 4. Made some successful child reintergrations.
- 5. Trained children in different skills like bakery, hand crafts, tailoring,
- 6. Salaries and wages have been paid.
- 7. We have maintained and Made many new friends thus Madhvani Group, Picfare, Engaano Millers, Tip Top, Jinja Education Trust, Haba na Haba, Kairu Family, Farida in U.S.A, Mr. George in Senegal, Baba Media Group, e.t.c
- 8. Utility Bills have been paid thus Water, Electricity, Internet, Subscription fees, taxes e.t.c.
- 9. Development of the children both physically and Spiritually.
- 10. Care Givers have been trained.
- 11. Managed to bury our dear Mother, Aunty and Grand mother(Late Agnes Nabawanga) in a success Ceremony. We would like to thank everyone for the contribution towards the treatment and above all the prayers. May the good Lord bless you.

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Challenges.

Despite the aforementioned achievement, there are also challenges which we need to be addressed in the coming years.

- 1. High cost of living.
- 2. Cooperation of the Guardians on Alternative Care and Family support.
- 3. Dependency syndrome of some grown up children.
- 4. Permanent source of funding.
- 5. Reintegration of the children back to community.
- 6. Renew of Lease for Plot No.22 and 24 and land titles
- 7. Leaking roof at Plot No.22.
- 8. Transport is also another challenge.

Future Plans.

- 1. Acquiring reliable Transport means because the one available is now very old and not reliable.
- 2. Installation of new solar batteries to reduce on the cost of electricity bills.
- 3. Funds for the acquisition of the Land Titles and renewal of lease for Plot No. 22.
- Registering the staff on National Social Security Funds.

6. foster families for the grown up children.

Conclusion.

On behalf of the Management Committee, Board of Trustee, Staff, Children and Myself, I would like to express our sincere appreciation to all of you both here in Uganda and Abroad, Stitching Team, KDG College in Belgium, Alexandria Munch, Indian Community in Uganda, Madhvani Group, Mr. George in Senegal, Jinja Education Trust, Majoor's Family — Hugo Barbosa and Lucille, Tanzanian Team Germany, Herke and Marry, Peter Benders of Exclusive Limited, Afrinspire Team through Ian Sanderson, ACET UK, Jill Aitken, Nile Ply, Engaano Miller, Kairu Family, Picfare Nytil Industries, East African Packaging Limited, Religious Leaders, Friends from Mwiri College, and all those who are not mentioned here for the continued support.

Last but not least, I wish to thank the Management Committee for all the Support and Love to the children. Thank you so much.

I also wish to thank the Almighty God for all his continued Blessings. Special thanks goes to the children and colleagues for their cooperation and dedication throughout the year.

Let us join our hands to give Praise and Glory to God for his good melodies.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2021.

Yours Faithfully,

KAIGWA SEITH.

MAMA JANE CHILDREN CARE CENTRE.