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REPORT ON THE MAYI PROGRAM.

We bless the Lord for the months of December 2023 and January 2024.

The activities were not too much as they were characterized by the following.

- ✓ Adventure moments with teenage mothers especially those who were due for graduation.
- ✓ Preparation for graduation.
- ✓ Graduation ceremony.
- ✓ Recruitment of the new entrants.
- ✓ Distribution of the dresses and shoes to the beneficiaries.
- ✓ Home visitations follow ups on the graduated teenage mothers.
- ✓ Pads making.

During the month of November, there was a visit of the teenage mothers to different sole proprietors on how to start up the different projects and businesses especially the ones in line with what they have been trained in like fashion and design and also hair dressing. This helped them to understand and learn from different people on how to start up the business with little finances.

There was also an activity of preparation for graduation. The teenage mothers were able to get prepared. This involved making preparation on the presentations, organizing the displays especially the times that they have been doing in different departments among others. It also involved getting gowns for graduations to be wore on the day of graduation among others.



Pictures of the 2023 graduation celebration

Graduation ceremony that was held on 17th November 2023.

This was graced by so many people and the guest was from compassion international Uganda. The people in different capacities attended and all 60 teenage mothers attended the ceremony. All were dressed in graduation gowns and also invited their parents those who had and those without invited their relatives to come and witness it was colorful full of happiness, celebrations and music. They all appreciated God for the second chance that was granted to them by Macedonian Vision Africa and all the partners for the holistic support.

Recruitment of new teenage mothers in the program.

This activity was majorly done in January 2024. As the others were graduating, I was able to do recruitment of the new entrants on the program. This was done through home visit and community mobilization, sensitization local leaders among others. The local leaders played a great role in mobilizing the teenage mothers in the program. This is because the local leaders know them well and understand



Young mothers receiving instruction.

the needs and conditions in which their people go through in terms of literacy and sustainability. In fact, it's of little wonder to let you know that when I carried out thorough assessments on the beneficiaries that local councils brought, they were in poor condition, very illiterate and those who completed primary seven and were unable to continue with school because of lack of tuition fees. This was a clear indicator that they really needed to be equipped with skill and knowledge for self-sustainability.

Home visits for the graduated teenage mothers. There was an evaluation through home visit of the teenage mothers who had graduated. This was to find out the status. That is to say whether the skill achieved was impactful and has transformed their lives holistically. I was so happy that most of them are working and are able to earn a living that can help them to sustain their lives and the welfare of their children. I was also happy that in that exercise, I was able to also visit them with Dr Nigel and Madam Rachel too.



Rachel and Nigel meet the new teenage mothers. The mothers with the children's clothes.

Distribution of children's clothes and shoes.

We Bless the lord for the packages of shoes and clothes that were brought by Madam Rachel and Dr Nigel to distribute to the new recruited teenage mothers. They received and were so happy and appreciative. this was witnessed in the photos that I will be in position to share with you. Others were able to make a video portraying their excitement. Great thanks go to our dear partners and donors of the MAYI program. I want to assure you that it has indeed created positive and holistic impact to the community for the wellbeing of the teenage mothers.

Reusable sanitary pad making.

Using funds from donors in the UK were able to purchase waterproof liner, sheets, and towels, to make washable sanitary pads. The teenage mothers embraced the activity positively. They learnt the skill and properly understood it. In fact, some of them said they are going to try it in their different homes. This became a great impact to them.



Making the reusable sanitary pads

We really Bless the Lord for the support that you have wholeheartedly continued extending to Macedonian Vision Africa and the program of MAYI. It has really impacted the lives of not only the teenage mothers but also their family and community.

May God continue to Bless you.

Betty Ajambo



Children wearing shoes donated from the UK