

EVALUATION REPORT FOR SUNDAY 7TH AUGUST 2022 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Walakira foundation was founded on 18th February 2022 in remembrance of the Walakira family in Kabembe village, Kyampisi subcounty in Mukono district. The purpose of this foundation is to create an improved quality of life for the less privilledged mothers, children and their households.

ACTIVITY EVALUATED

The Walakira day was successfully celebrated on the 7th August 2022 which started with Health talks and games to ease the women and children's mental health and later given the donations that crowned the day.

The Walakira day was evaluated depending on the activities that took place on that day. It all started with introductions of the women and children who were invited to attend the day. The coordinator summarised the purposeof the day, then one of the directors took the floor to talk about the foundation and its purposes, vision and mission and what we propose to do later in life as a foundation continues. Health talks and games took up half of the day's activities where mental health included the triggers and symptoms of depression and anxiety that leads to mental illness. Next topic was about disabilities and the functions of the brain where the health talk was characterised on how lameness comes about in the human beings. Brain and bone formation in the foetus were discussed and shown how women can help the babies before they are born and given information about healthy feeding or nutrition.

METHODOLOGY

The guests, volunteers, women and the children's feedback who attended the occasion was the method used for evaluating the preparation and the day. Similarly the coordinators and directors views of the feedbacks were also used to gather the findings. the Coordinator and volunteers visited the community or areas of Kabembe and Lugali villages and identified women who were lacking basic needs, had low income and had children to care for. some had children who were not going to school yet at the age of starting school. These mothers were identified in such a way that they will be in position to learn and carry out income generating activities inorder to sustain their lives.

These were some of the observation.

The suggested day was a great idea as many women take off Sunday to rest so it made it easy for most of them to attend and also keep time unlike the two who had traveled for a burial.

That if we have all that we need the day before at the site, the program will be able to run smoothly.

Time was managed well on that day, that should be observed in all the walakira foundation activities or occasions to come.

The health talks impacted on their lives so much and helped them to think about their behaviour and thoughts, as some thought that what was happening to them was someone else's fault but realised that their behaviour was influenced by mental health.

The health talks should be paired by health camps such as tests, checkups and more health information involving other areas of the human body and areas that require hygiene and well being.

Time management is very important on this day as well known in the rural settings they do not have a particular full day for resting or to themselves, so we have to have a fixed duration that can be used for the day to allow enough time for the mothers to do other chores back in their homes.

The person who was coordinating the service providers was not on the ground which made communication and difference in most of the agreed issues from the past meetings.

The invited mothers and children were invited by card and it helped us to manage the number of people who attended the occassion.

LESSONS LEARNT

Budget for miscellenous things shoould be put in place for incase of the disappointments from the donors.

Next time we look at incorporating in other organisations that provide free services in order to sell out the name of the foundation that will enable the foundation to grow. To also look out for services provided within this community that our clients can be referred to.

It was noted that the organisers should come as early so that the clients find them on the ground. This will help in time keeping and time management.

It was noted that there was divided responsibilities for an activity. There was a proposal that each person should carry on their own responsibilities as one without blaming or attaching their failure on other people. For example; if someone has to cook food, she should make decisions as her to avoid blaming her incase of any innappropriate outcomes.

There was lack of clear communication and mistrust. In a way that one particular thing was communicated to several people and we found ourselves colliding with each other on the d-day. Let decisions be passed through the meetings and responsibilities made clear to everyone. Even the T.shirt issue would have been communicated prior to the day so that we all know the proceedings other than

someone finding you among the clients and tells you that she needs the shirt you are wearing to be taken back to the store. That was so uncorth.

RECOMMENDATIONS

To have a miscellenous budget for miscellenous activities or unsought for things.

To have direct and clear communication and have trust for the person appointed for in a particular activity.

The service providers should bring all the services the day before the occassion for time management.

To procure sustainable things for donation which are more impactful, for example Milk is not sustainable. For future fundings, the donors will question whether in a rural mother's life milk is sustainable since the donation giving lasts a whole six months or so.

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