

**Organisation: Rubatano Association**

**Project: Integrated Community Care Program**

**Country: Mozambique**

**Months of Report: July, August and Sept 2018**



## **Introduction**

In this report are highlighted some Rubatano activities involving our Rubatano Volunteers in relation to their program of Visitation and Integrated Community Care, in which they made 3,884 visits and they received 91 new patients onto the Program, of which 30 male, 61 female. During three months the Rubatano Volunteers also worked at the Amatongas Health Centre, at the Gondola District Hospital and at the Nhamatanda Hospital, helping in various medical departments.

## **Sickness Prevention Teaching**

In Gondola town and at the Administrative Centres of Amatongas and Nhamatanda : the Rubatano Volunteers took part in 23 meetings with a total of 378 people who took part, of whom 242 were male, 468 female, and 153 were young people.

The topics were the Prevention of Malaria, Mothering Skills, Diarrhoea (Cholera) and HIV/Aids.

## **Nutritional Support for OVCs (Orphans and Vulnerable Children)**

Within this quarter, Rubatano supported **91 OVCs** with food parcels in Gondola Town. In the administrative centres of Amatongas and Nhamatanda, Masters Heart supports **65 OVCs**, Holy Trinity church supports **15 OVCs**; Jenny (Canada) supports **11 OVCs** and **1 OVC** supported by Richard. They all received Rice, Beans, Cooking Oil, Salt and some Soap!

This was distributed in Gondola, Amatongas and Nhamatanda at the three Rubatano Care Centres in each place.

## **Referrals**

During this Quarter we referred **36 patients** as follows: to ATS (Sexually Transmitted Diseases clinic); to the Emergency Health Post; they were suspected of having Malaria; also for Pre-TARV (Treatment with Anti-Retrovirals)

They were referred to the Health Care Services in the Municipal Town of Gondola, and in the Administrative Centres of Amamongas and of Nhamatanda.

## **Nutrition**

Within these 3 months, 935 people received Nutritional Education, the Word of God (about Jesus) and also Counselling, this was in the Municipal town of Gondola, and in the Administrative Centres of Amamongas and town of Nhamatanda.

## **Economic Empowerment**

Our GPS (a Savings Groups led by Rubatano HBC ministry), this initiative is making promising progress, and consists of 20 groups, 12 in **Gondola** and 7 in **Amamongas** and 1 in **Nhamatanda**. Altogether there are **592 members**, of which **181** are men and **411** women.

This quarter the groups saved 371,160.00 MTs, which includes their Social Fund payments.

Main Challenges: Overdue payments on loans.

Main Goals: Recruiting new members, also obtaining good attendance at the Loans & Savings Meetings.

## **To Assist and empower Vulnerable Orphans Children:**

- 90 OVCs are receiving training how to Grow Food for themselves and their families.
- 30 OVCs girls are in our sewing activity, are receiving training in order to stand firm themselves in the future.
- 120 OVCs are in our Pre-schooling Mix, students aged of 3 to 5year olds, in order to be admitted in the Government School.
- 284 Secondary School Orphans who do not have strength to support themselves, these are receiving help with their studies.
- **1,700 OVCs** attended the Childrens Days (our Workshops) and received great teaching, encouragement in the Word of God, and on the importance of Agricultural and Schooling., supported by Kent & Sharon (in June 2018)

## To Assist and empower the Agricultural men:

- **5810 male farmers** this quarter, these men have agreed that they would use the procedures that they have had learnt from the training given.
- We would like to meet them and to visit them in their fields together with our RHBC trainers, 9 men, 5 in Gondola and 4 in Nhamatanda, within this month and next month, to make sure if the farmers are able to use these work practices, and also to demark a size of the plots of 16m by 39m , and then we will be sure that they are following what they have been taught!

*NB: at times the Volunteers have been ill themselves, or had family bereavements to cope with.*