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2021

COMMUNITY CARE, SUPPORT
AND EMPOWERMENT SERVICES

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OUR VISION

Is for all people in the Ufafa Valley Community to be healthy and productive, living in a safe and clean environment, with good access to services and social justice.

OUR MISSION

Is to facilitate the sustainable empowerment of the community to fulfil the vision through partnering with the community in health services, capacity building, education, civic participation, engagement with service providers and other strategic partnerships.



COMMUNITY HEALTH

OBJECTIVE:

TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF HOME BASED CARE AND SUPPORT TO CHILDREN AND ADULTS LIVING WITH HIV, TB AND OTHER ILLNESSES IN THE UFAFA VALLEY.

1. Capacity Building of Community Care Givers (CCGs) by Ixopo Department of Health (DoH), and Medical Sciences Research Council (MCRC) with regard to Covid-19. Trainings included Covid-19 education, awareness, community screening for early detection, dealing with myths and fake news and Vaccines. Woza Moya in partnership with DoH, became a Covid-19 Vaccination site in 2021.
2. Home (& Crèche) Visitations: on average 950 clients seen per month.
3. Monitoring & Support: monthly meetings, data captured and collated from CCGs reports. On average 50 random spot checks p/m done by CCG Supervisor.
4. Monthly Wellness Days: x4 meetings per month for People living with Aids PLWA groups (PLWA) groups, 205 members in total; Quarterly meetings for CLWAs (Children 3-18), 50 members. These groups met less frequently in 2021 due to Covid-19 regulations.
5. Partnerships, Networking, Referrals:
 - a. Our Partnership with local Ixopo Department of Health (DoH) continued successfully. DoH held monthly mobile clinics on site at Woza Moya attended by about 100-150 local patients per month.
 - b. Woza Moya is a designated Central Chronic Medicines Dispensing and Distribution [CCMDD] pick up point.
 - c. Since July Woza Moya has been working with the Department of Health to ensure that community members including all Woza Moya team members, received Covid 19 vaccines.
6. In the face of Covid-19, job losses, increased poverty and food insecurity, exacerbated by the unrest, riots, looting in KwaZulu-Natal (KZN) in July, we found ourselves in Emergency Relief mode during most of 2021. We provided relief to over 1000 affected households in the form of food parcels, clothing, blankets, access to social support and services, such as UIF, unemployment grants, social justice and medical support.

CHALLENGES THIS YEAR:

1. Covid 19 and the KZN unrest increased unemployment, poverty, stress causing more social issues in households. Lockdowns prevented us from carrying out our group based activities.
2. Young teenage mothers don't take their children to the clinic for immunizations.
3. We have people who are not permanently staying in our community who come and seek our health services; once received, they disappear to their places of origin and are therefore are not easy to follow up on.

EARLY CHILDHOOD (SURVIVAL &) DEVELOPMENT

OBJECTIVE:

TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO QUALITY EDUCATIONAL, CARE AND SUPPORT SERVICES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE YOUNG CHILD (0-5 YEARS).

ACHIEVEMENTS THIS YEAR INCLUDED:

1. Running a professional, happy and safe ECD Centre at Woza Moya. 50 children aged 3-5 years registered in 2021 but only about 30 attended regularly due to Covid-19.
2. Identify, assess and support outlying crèches in Ufafa – 6 crèches identified and visited weekly; resources and materials shared, for an additional 160 children in 2021.
3. Capacity building of Woza Moya ECD team and outlying crèche teachers
 - a. ECD NQF Level 4 - 4 teachers graduated in NOV21, from this 2 year course.
 - b. Quarterly ECD Forums 4 held in 2021: various trainings, ranging from how to see a raped/abuse child, ECD financial management, First Aid and early warnings signs of childhood cancer.

- c. 'Every Word Counts' – A Family Literacy Training. 55 young mothers completed this 10 session course in 2021 done by Woza Moya trainer.
- d. 15 ECD practitioners received 5 days training on how to make toys using recyclable materials.

CHALLENGES THIS YEAR:

1. Many local children are still not enrolled in crèches in Ufafa Valley. Guardians keep children at home, often unattended and ignored because they do not have the time and resources to wash and put them in clean clothes every day. They also do not understand and appreciate the importance of Early Childhood Development. Some guardians also fear that sending children to an ECD centre is risky as they will become infected with Covid 19. But even prior to Covid 19 this same challenge existed.



SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

OBJECTIVE:

TO REDUCE POVERTY, IMPROVE NUTRITION AND EMPOWER INDIGENT WOMEN TO BECOME ECONOMICALLY AND SOCIALLY INDEPENDENT.

ACHIEVEMENTS THIS YEAR INCLUDED:

Three main activities under this programme:

1. **AGRICULTURAL** Activities
 - a. We installed five rain water harvesting systems with the capacity of 10 000L each in 5 different villages of Ufafa Valley, to alleviate water scarcity
 - b. We distributed basic gardening tools to 20 selected Food garden champions and their Gardening teams.
 - c. 20 Food garden champions visited Enaleni farm, an agro-ecological farm near us, to learn about compost making, companion planting, mulching, crop rotation, diverse planted gardens and homestead food production.
 - d. 2 seedlings nurseries were further developed in order to start providing organic seedlings to our communities.
2. Women's **SELF-HELP GROUPS** (Due to Covid 19 the SHG members were allowed to withdraw 40% from their savings in order to provide for their families).
3. Income generating **CRAFTS**. Local women, supported by a Durban based volunteer, Jovita da Silva, are doing exquisite hand embroideries, gorgeous sock monkeys and lions. The grannies group are producing knitted beanies and scarves and crocheted mats. Our newest craft product, thanks to Catherine Anderson, is a beautiful roll up travel finger labyrinth mat.

CHALLENGES THIS YEAR:

1. Crafts sales have plummeted in 2021 due to Covid-19 and the economic situation, so we had to reduce production until more stock is cleared, resulting in crafters not taking home monies to their families. Sadly some of our highly skilled crafters have gone to do piece-meal work on the nearby farms to earn some income.
2. The Covid 19 disruptions have affected smooth operations in the Self Help Groups such as, loans repayments, savings and planned strategies to increase money.
3. The Gardeners are discouraged by lack of access to water, animals destroying crops and unexpected violent weather patterns. In 2021 some local farmers had to replant their gardens 3 due these challenges.

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

OBJECTIVE:

TO EMPOWER YOUNG PEOPLE TO ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL, SEEING THEM AS IMPORTANT DRIVERS IN CREATING POSITIVE, EQUITABLE, AND SUSTAINABLE CHANGE FOR THEMSELVES AND THE COMMUNITY.

ACHIEVEMENTS THIS YEAR INCLUDED:

1. Developing hard and soft skills, in areas such as HIV, Sexual Reproductive Health (SRH), decision-making, computers and self-knowledge for 800 youth in the Ufafa
 - a. Life-skills
 - b. Library
 - c. Computer Centre
 - d. Sports
 - e. Talent Shows
 - f. PowerGirls
 - g. Good Guys Club
2. 25 local boys between the ages of 9-15 were recruited to start the Good Guys Club with an intention of raising these young boys into better men of tomorrow.
3. Woza Moya launched a Student support programme to assist matric students to further their studies.

4. 30 unemployed youth graduated from the 3-month basic computer course provided by Woza Moya Youth team in 2021

CHALLENGES THIS YEAR:

1. Covid 19 disruptions have affected all group based activities that are under Youth Development.
2. Three children share one computer in the afterschool programme which makes it hard to observe and see the improvement of the kids.
3. The number of participants in talent shows and sport days were reduced due to Covid 19 regulations.
4. Teenage pregnancy is a major problem in the Ufafa valley.

CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES THIS YEAR HAVE INCLUDED:

1. Gender Based Violence-Raising awareness about domestic and sexual violence.
2. Active Citizenship - Building a stronger voice for ourselves and others.
3. Paralegal Services- Raising awareness about Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act (COIDA).
4. WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene)-Mobilising community members to have tippy taps in their homes.
5. Media-Using newsletters, social media and videos to share our work.
6. Learning and Sharing (Exchange Visits & Virtual Conferences)-Building a network of sharing and learning across NGO sector.
7. New building, Art Centre, for a new Art Project to start in 2022.
8. Resource Mobilization and Systems Development, Staff Development, Strategic Planning and Fund Raising.
9. Organisational Development-Strengthening of Woza Moya as team and organisation, stepping up into new roles and responsibilities.

BENEFICIARIES AND PARTICIPATION

1. DIRECT BENEFICIARIES (ESTIMATE FIGURES) - THESE FIGURES ARE DOWN DUE TO COVID 19.

NUMBER OF DIRECT BENEFICIARIES						
AGE (IN YEARS)	FEMALE		MALE		PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY	
	ANNUAL TARGET	REACHED	ANNUAL TARGET	REACHED	ANNUAL TARGET	REACHED
0-5	350	430	350	360	50	30
6-12	300	330	200	205	50	43
13-18	450	470	200	200	20	33
19-35	350	353	150	160	10	15
36-59	200	168	100	83	10	8
60+	200	289	50	68	10	7
TOTAL	1850	2040	1050	1076	150	136

2. INDIRECT BENEFICIARIES (GUESSTIMATES)

NUMBER OF INDIRECT BENEFICIARIES			
AGE	FEMALE	MALE	PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
0-18	6050	3555	110
19+	6083	1530	57



KEY LEARNINGS

The Covid 19 pandemic has had profound implications for food security in our community this year. This crisis has affected food systems and threatened people's livelihoods, resulting in job losses, reduced incomes and higher food prices. Woza Moya has distributed more than 1000 emergency relief food parcels to vulnerable households thus far. We have also been looking at more sustainable solutions and have done 100 home food gardens and large communal community food gardens. The small home food gardens are already impacting positively in peoples' lives. About 70% of these home gardens are flourishing with families reporting spending less money in town for fresh food. Our Community Care Givers also report an improvement in child health outcomes with more infants and children growing and developing as they should, according to their Road to Health Cards.

The unprecedented unrest which took place in July in KwaZulu-Natal has forced us to look deeper and understand the nature of this insurrection. We asked our group based participants the following question: where does it come from, and what can be done in future to avoid a similar situation. The participants agreed that the unrest was influenced by social media and they did not think that the end results would be even more food insecurity and loss of jobs.

An in-depth analysis of our team and organisation was done by an external Organisational Development Consultant in 2021 in order to help us with the big Transition of our Founder Director, Sue, who will be moving on in early 2022. Sue was also a part of a LEGACY group in 2021, consisting of 12 other Founder Directors in South Africa, who are all retiring from their organisations. Our Organogram was redone in order to help us all take our next developmental step towards a new organisation,

with more differentiation, more formal systems, improving M & E, and supervision. A fundraising team was established. Governance structures were revamped.

Overall we have made good progress towards reaching our goals of improving health outcomes, alleviating food insecurity and empowering our local community, focussing in particular on vulnerable youth and children. We are proud to have been nominated as a Covid-19 Vaccination site by the Department of Health.

GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES

The Woza Moya Board of Directors: has met 4 as planned during the year. These are professional people. Their main task is to hold the Vision and Mission of the organisation, and to support the Executive Director.

THE 5 NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS ARE:

MR MXOLISI NYUSWA CHAIR
MR WARREN BANKS VICE CHAIR
MS JOVITA DA SILVA TREASURE
MS YASMIN RAJAH
MS NOKUTHULA MTHIMUNYE
MR VIROSHEN CHETTY

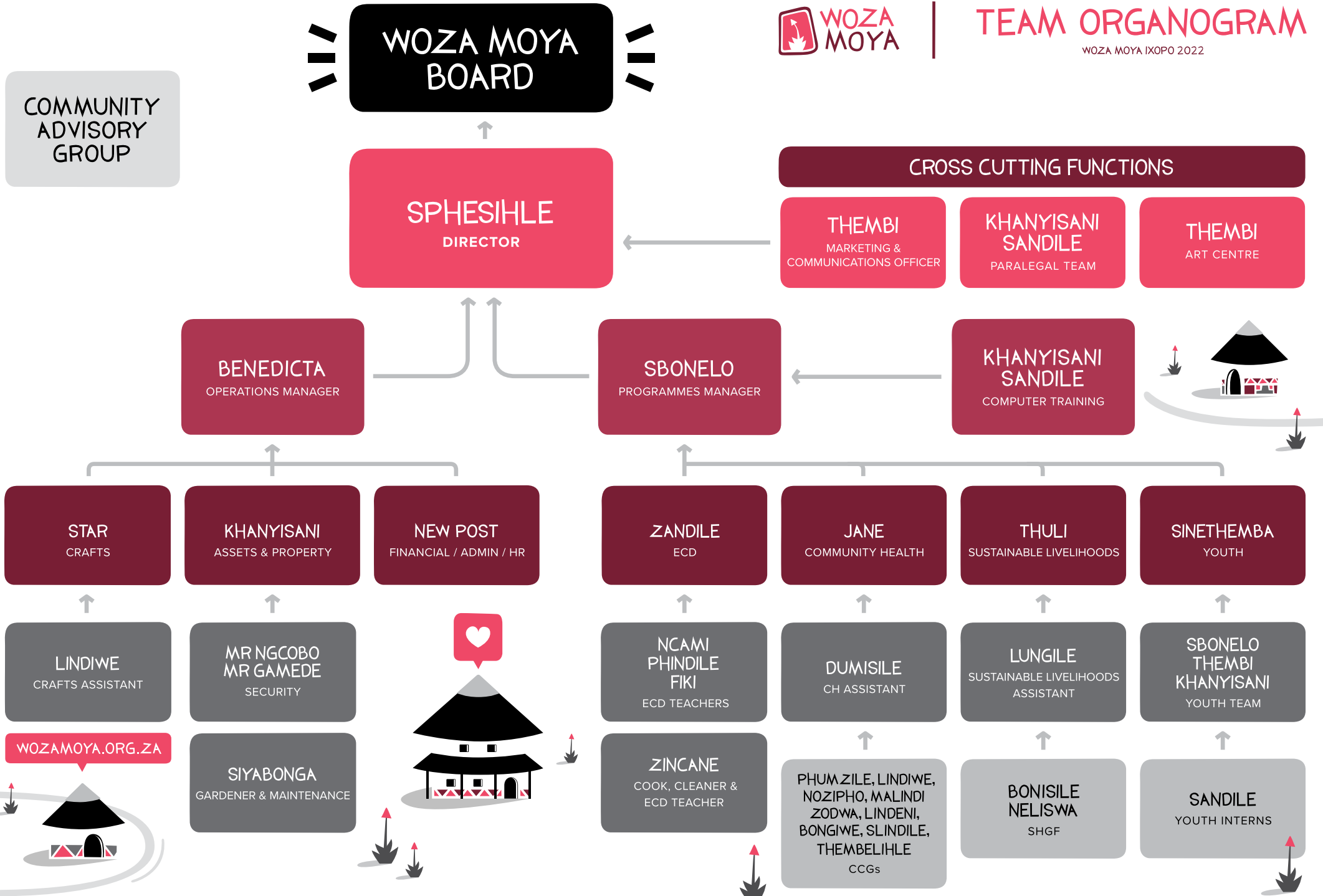
The Woza Moya Community Advisory Council: has met x3 as planned during the year. These are 5 important stakeholders in the Ufafa Valley, dealing with internal community based matters.

The Woza Moya Management team, consisting of Executive Director, Operations Manager, Programmes Manager and two Senior Managers, has met twice per month, as planned.



TEAM ORGANOGRAM

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NETWORKING PARTNERSHIPS

Woza Moya worked hard at maintaining good relations with local government departments in 2021. Being a community based organisation our role is to help our community to know their rights and access services due to them. Woza Moya's most successful partnership is with the local Department of Health. Woza Moya attends local Municipality meetings, and other local and regional stakeholder meetings regularly. We also partnered with Department of Agriculture and Rural Development to celebrate Women's day in August.

Woza Moya partners with various other specialist NGOs or CBOs. Being a general community development project ourselves, it deepens and develops our programmes to work with these NGOs, many of which offer services beyond our own. To mention a few: Ixopo Legal Aid(paralegal), Noah's Ark and Family Literacy Project (ECD), KZNSA (crafts), Educare (self-care), Monkeyland (crafts), Joint Aid Management, JAM (ECD), Vukuzithathe (HIV), LETCEE (ECD), Makhhalima Development Centre and Childhood Cancer Foundation South Africa.

ORGANISATIONAL MARKETING

WEBSITE

FACEBOOK

TWITTER

MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS

LAUNCH OF FUNDRAISING TEAM

We have put a lot of time, effort, and money into marketing Woza Moya this past year updating our posters and website and producing our legendary monthly newsletters, in an attempt to increase our funding base, which is critical if we are to survive these tough times and beyond.

FUNDING SOURCES IN 2021

THANK YOU to all our **DONORS!** Without you none of this would be possible!

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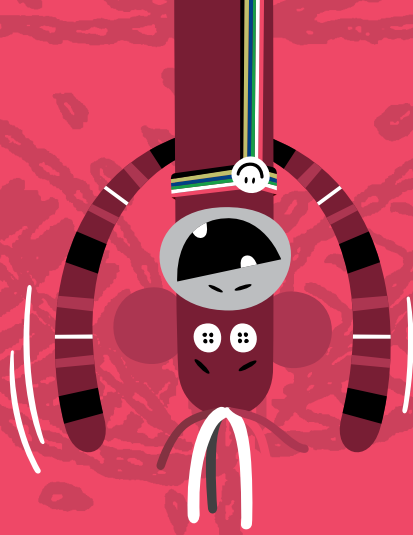
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