



Capacity Statement

Introduction

Agape family Care (AFC) is a registered Private Voluntary Organization (PVO 41/2015) which was founded by Ruth Makandiwa, wife to Emmanuel Makandiwa, Founder and President of United Family International Church and Christtv. Before registration, Agape Family Care was operating as the welfare arm of the United Family International Church. Agape Family Care was registered in 2015 and currently employs 6 staff, a team with first-hand experience in field work and operations. As a Christian Based Organization Agape Family Care subscribes to and is guided by Christian principles from the Word of God in undertaking its activities.

Agape Family Care takes a comprehensive approach to assist individuals and communities to achieve their full God given potential whilst aligning to Government standards of quality. AFC has been active in Zimbabwe since 2008 and has successfully implemented a variety of projects and programs in cooperation with our partners and stakeholders in the field including Education, Livelihoods, Health, Shelter, WASH, Humanitarian Assistance and Development Programmes. Agape Family Care works with men, women, children, disabled, socially marginalized groups regardless of creed, color or race.

Objectives

1. To cater for the educational needs of the underprivileged up to tertiary level.
2. To cater for the needs of the underprivileged orphans and the elderly by providing them with clothing and food stuffs.
3. To provide relief aid to communities affected by natural disasters like drought and floods.
4. To assist institutions like hospitals, prisons and orphanages with basic necessities.

Areas of Operation

Agape Family Care works in all the 12 provinces of Zimbabwe with its headquarters established in Harare. Agape Family Care works in collaboration with its Area Coordinators located in over 80 areas across Zimbabwe where the Ministry's Church Assemblies are located.

Current Programmes

Our work is categorized into 18 interventions that are in line with our program activities.

Education

1. **Tertiary Scholarships (Universities and Polytechnic Colleges):** This is provided to disadvantaged, talented young students who have completed their secondary education. The College and University scholarships provided with intensive mentoring, leadership training and career preparation. This enables our graduates to successfully enter their chosen career path. In addition to the provision of tuition, the Scholarship also provides clothing, study material including laptops, visa fees, air fares, accommodation and a small stipend for general upkeep.
2. **Children's Scholarships (Primary School and High School):** Thousands of bright children in Zimbabwe especially in the rural areas continue to drop out of primary and secondary school because of poverty. We identify students with academic excellence from financially disadvantaged backgrounds and provide them with educational assistance. This includes school fees including boarding fees particularly where a child would benefit from being in boarding school, full school uniform kits, study material and hygiene items.
3. **Educational Institutions Support:** We value education and aim to transform our Rural School Communities. By identifying existing vulnerable community schools, we provide assistance through provision of educational materials and textbooks, construction of additional classrooms/libraries, renovations

whilst improving access to hygiene through improving ablution facilities and improving access to clean, safe drinking water.

In January 2015, Agape Family Care donated three fully-furnished classroom blocks, text books and a borehole to Muringazuva Primary School in Muzarabani.

Livelihoods

1. **Support to Smallholder Farmers:** Agriculture is the main source of economic livelihood for most smallholder farmers but many fail to access critical inputs and services. We support smallholder farmers with inputs, training and access to extension services.
2. **Prison Outreach:** Our prison outreach aims to empower those in incarceration and restore their hope through the Word of God. We engage in regular provisions of food items including hygiene items for female prisoners, inmates counselling, fellowship sessions, evangelical outreach and distributions of devotions.
3. **Children's Homes:** Our aspiration is for Children's Homes to become centres of excellence and central hubs of community support, education, health, welfare, self-sufficiency and empowerment. We support various children's homes with cash donations, property refurbishments, groceries and clothing donations.
4. **Functions Hosting:** We believe that sharing is caring and ultimately we aim to give others an opportunity to smile and enjoy the finer things in life. Through our hosted functions which include the Agape Family Care Founders and Patrons' Birthdays; we give invitations to people living on the street, the Elderly as well as Orphaned and Vulnerable Children. We also host Dinners for less privileged couples so as to help in building relationships.

Agape Family Care's charity extends to Correctional Institutions in Zimbabwe. Every year since 2012, food and non-food items' donations have been made to Female and Male prisons. In 2015, Agape Family Care donated a water system to the Chikurubi Farm Prison. The water system consisted of a borehole and water pump which feeds water into the irrigation system of the farm

Health

1. **Health Institutions Support:** Our focus is on the development of Health Institutions within our communities. We support by meeting their immediate needs including providing medical supplies, bedding and accessories for the smooth flow of their activities.
2. **Operation Restore Sight:** Operation Restore Sight works to eradicate preventable and curable blindness with a steadfast commitment that includes working with partners to leverage impact. Our targets are the elderly and less privileged in rural communities.
3. **Health Outreaches:** Our free medical outreaches are our most prominent avenue for reaching out to the less privileged members in rural communities and aiding them in accessing medical and healthcare services at no cost.

In 2010, 400 beds, 400 blankets, 400 sheets, surgical equipment and accessories were donated at Chitungwiza Hospital. An upgrade of the electric system at the hospital for optimum functioning was also facilitated.



Shelter

1. **Accommodation Provisions:** This supports individuals or households who due to economic challenges or other societal challenges find themselves unable to provide shelter for their children and other

dependents. This programme provides short term relief through the payment of monthly bills and rentals whilst assisting the family find a long-term solution.

2. **Permanent Shelter Establishments:** Our objective is to ensure that families have a safe and decent place to live, and for housing poverty and homelessness to be eliminated. Through our permanent shelter establishments we identify suitable beneficiaries who are recipients of established urban properties or constructed rural properties for the less privileged.

WASH

1. **Provision of Clean, safe Water:** Water is important to sustaining life. Our goal is that communities in rural and urban areas have access to clean and safe water for domestic and livelihood use. We do this through working with diverse stakeholders for the installation of improved new water sources and maintenance of existing water sources. This is our contribution towards reducing poverty and inequalities in accessing basic services.

Humanitarian Assistance

Our humanitarian assistance aims to alleviate the suffering that individuals and families experience after the occurrences of disasters. We address immediate needs through providing:

1. **Food/Cash:** Through this assistance, we help families in disaster affected communities meet their immediate needs.
2. **Clothing:** We strive to live out God's mandate to "clothe the naked". With the help of our partners we donate clothing, blankets and footwear for those in need.

Development Programmes

1. **Life Skills Training Program:** We want the less privileged to develop critical and creative thinking. Through the program, beneficiaries receive training to develop various products and in the process earn a living out of the skills gained. Trainings include; Candle Making, Soap Making, Peanut Butter Making, Floor Polish Making, Detergents Production, Tapestry etc.
2. **Small Projects Establishments:** We help our beneficiaries to establish sustainable projects that include; Sewing Clubs, Flea Markets, Market Gardening, Poultry Business, Piggeries, Buying and Selling. Through these small projects the economic welfare of our beneficiaries is improved.

Impact



Health Outreaches

Murewa 2011- 287 Patients
St Alberts 2013 - 348 Patients
Birchenough 2015 - 573 Patients
Nyanga 2017 - 1200



Education Bursaries and Scholarships

Tertiary Scholarships (Universities and Polytechnic Colleges) - 221 Students
Children's Scholarships (Primary School and High School) - 2086 Students
Children's Scholarships (Primary School and High School) - 1542 Students



Humanitarian Assistance Food and Clothing

Murehwa 2011 - 180 Households
Muzarabani 2012 - 150 Households
Hope Fountain Bulawayo - 150 Households
Nyanga 2013 - 237 Households
Binga 2014 - 200 Households
Beitbridge 2017 - 159 Households
Nyanga 2017 - 450 Households



Livelihoods - Widows and Elderly

Grocery Hampers - 1825
 Blankets - 1825
 Tennis Shoes Pairs - 1825



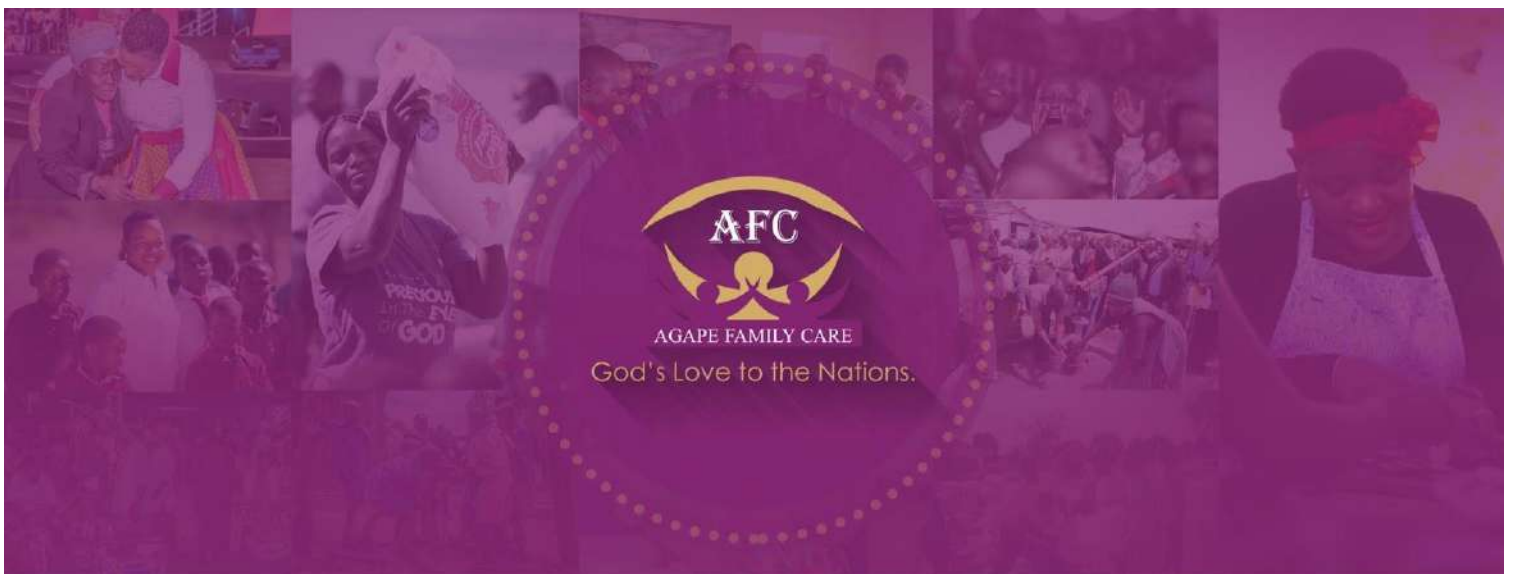
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Urban Boreholes
 Mabvuku 1 - ... Household Reach
 Tafara 1 -Households Reach
 Epworth 1 - Households Reach
 Hatcliffe 3 - Reach
Rural Boreholes
 Muringazuva Primary 1 - 1050 Students Reach



Development Programmes

Lifeskills Training - 173 Beneficiaries
 Poultry Projects - 35 Beneficiaries
 Buying and Selling - 64 Beneficiaries
 Flea Markets - 17 Beneficiaries
 Sewing Club - 15 Beneficiries



MISSION

To be God's preferred channel for the distribution of His love to the under privileged people of the world through reaching out to the less privileged (Widows, Orphans, Prisoners, the Elderly, the Vulnerable and the destitute) and to transform their lives by administering the love of God to them through Food Aid Distribution, Projects Assistance, Life Skills Training, Education, Provision of Clean Water and any other means possible.

VALUES

- Selflessness
- Charity
- Teamwork
- Integrity
- Commitment
- Transparency.

VISION

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