



OUR VISION OF THE FUTURE

We envision a society where all people including women, children and persons with disabilities have an improved quality of life, and have equitable access to resources and decision-making.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to stimulate sustainable community-led development, inclusion of women, children and persons with disabilities in decision-making.

WHY KOCEBUKA?

Kocebuka is a Tonga term that means to look back. Our organization believes that genuine development shall be inclusive—one that benefits not only the few but every member of society. Hence, in pursuit of development, we do not only look after ourselves, but we try to look back and make sure no one is left behind.



OUR HISTORY

2007 – A group of residents in Zimba came together to form an organization to respond to social issues. At that time, the impacts of HIV/AIDS were significantly felt with the rise in number of orphaned children. They believed that collectively, changes can be done to address poverty and other social issues. They pooled out-of-the-pocket contributions to create a start-up fund for the organization.

24 Nov 2009 – Kocebuka Community Foundation became a registered Community-based Organization (CBO) with the Registry of Societies. Activities implemented at that time included Parent Mentors' Training.

2011 – 2013 Partnership with Canadian donors commenced in the form of tuition fee subsidies for poor children attending school, nutritional support for vulnerable children and putting up of hand washing facilities in schools. We also partnered with World Vision Zambia in implementing OVC Caregivers' Training and survey enumeration to generate a registry of orphan and vulnerable children in our target communities. Advocacy activities on sustainable environmental management started through the support of African Community Project.

2014 – KCF became a duly registered Non-Government Organization (NGO) with the Registry of Societies. This also enabled us to gain representation in various district-level coordinating structures on health, education, water, sanitation and environment.

2015 – 2016 – This period marked new partnerships between KCF with the government for disaster relief in the district; and with Community-based Rehabilitation Zambia (CBR) for promoting the rights and welfare of persons with disabilities.

2017 - Seven years since its establishment, KCF continues to thrive despite its resource-limited setting. KCF now implements 6-month projects under a US Aid grant through Development Aid from People to People (DAPP). An apiary project through the funding of Tokushima International Cooperation (TICO) is in the pipeline.

BE OUR PARTNER IN DEVELOPMENT

Kocebuka collaborates with various government, non-government and civil society organizations, and private individuals in bringing programs and services closer to the people in Zimba and its nearby communities.

You can partner with us in conducting out-reach activities in rural villages, training programs and facilitating infrastructure or logistical support.

We also accept volunteers who are willing to share their time and expertise in uplifting the lives of our target sectors. However, due to funding constraints, we are currently unable to provide compensation and allowances.

You may also extend your help through child sponsorship, monetary or in-kind contributions or by conducting fundraising to support our programs and activities. Kindly visit our website for details.



ICT Training for public school teachers done by International Vision Organization



Donation of wheelchairs and crutches from African Community Project



WHERE WE WORK

We operate in Zimba District, a rural area situated at the Southern Province in Zambia. Its town proper is 6 hours drive from Lusaka, and 1.5 hours from Livingstone where you can find the majestic Victoria Falls.

ZAMBIA FAST FACTS

- Total Population: 14 Million
- 64% of the population lives on less than 1 US\$ per day, with extreme poverty greater in rural villages.
- About 12.3% (age 12-49) or 1,100,000 Zambians are living with HIV.
- Orphan children due to HIV: 670,000; Orphan children (all causes): 1.4 M
- 61.4% adult literacy rate; with females at a disadvantage

With these issues in mind, Kocebuka tries to reach off the grid villages in Zimba District to link them with resources and raise awareness using participatory processes.

Source: https://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/zambia_statistics.html

WHAT WE DO

For Orphans and Vulnerable Children and Youth

- Facilitation of child sponsorship through tuition fee subsidies
- Educational activities on HIV / AIDS
- Advocacy events such as Voluntary HIV Testing and Counseling Day

On Women empowerment

- Organizing Savings and Internal Lending Clubs (SILC)
- Livelihood assistance
- Sensitization activities on gender-based violence

For Persons with Disabilities

- Community-based sensitization meetings and seminars on inclusive education
- Distribution of assistive devices
- Advocacy events

Sustainability and Environmental Management

- Advocacy through seminars and non-formal community meetings
- Tree planting in villages and schools
- Distribution of seedlings and fruit trees

Disaster Relief Operations (as the need arises)

Participation in district-level governance structures for advocacy

Resource mobilization

- Partnerships with private donors and other non-government organizations
- Development and submission of project proposals to prospective donor agencies.
- Sale of fruit trees and ornamental plants from the KCF nursery



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