

the Dunga Orphan Project

Community Care Initiative

Letter from Director Raphael

*Hamjambo wote! Habari gani?
Hello all! How are you?*

Mission:

To mobilize resources for education, health and clothing for orphaned and needy children/young adults in Kenya. It is also an enabling environment to provide love and security to such vulnerable groups.

Brief History

Dunga Orphanage Project was founded as a small, Kenyan Self-Help Project in 2003 by an influential, beautiful, soft spoken and ever convincing young lady, Sarah Obrien from Mount Vernon/Anacortes USA. It all depended and still depends on donors, well-wishers and sponsors from USA to support the beneficiaries. It was once orphanage home based, but now guardian home based, as per Kenyan government regulations.

In 2009, the number of children reached 40. Most of these children had lost their parents and close relatives in the 1990's HIV scourge in Sub-Saharan Africa. That same year 2009, Sarah Obrien was replaced by Elizabeth Chipps-Freeman. Since this time, and the help of the US Board and many visitors as Mary Leone; Sue Meinzinger; Micael Raphael and her family; Dave Crumbo, his family; Peter Stroosma's wife, Ria; Jane Mayer; and Carol Bergner, much has been accomplished.

Having such big number of kids, the Register of Societies through the Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Development in the Republic of Kenya asked the organization's advisory board to uplift the organization from Self-Help to a Community Based Organization. From then, the Kenyan Advisory Board baptized DOP as Community Care Initiative CCI. It is a registered organization and its

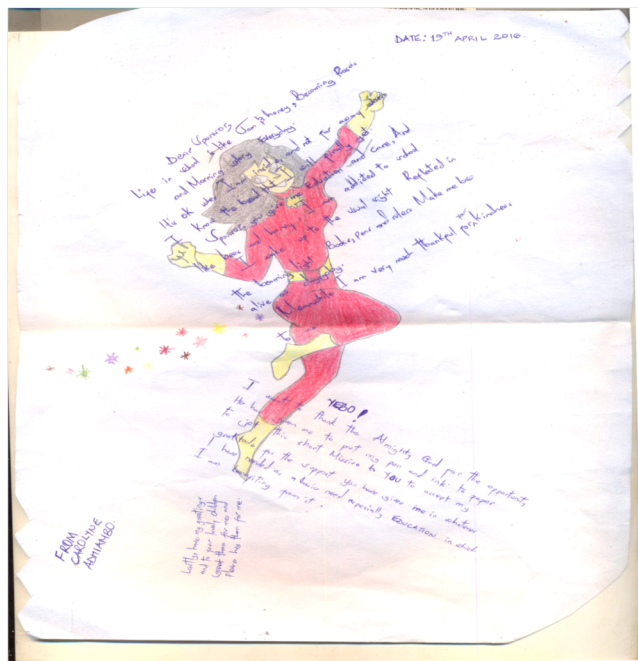


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Hatima Kuboreshwa Improved Futures

University students, Macreen Adhiambo, business major, and Jackie Asowa, microbiology/micro technology major, have successfully advanced to the next year of study.

Angeline Okumu is studying hotel hospitality, where demand for employment grows. Christine Anyango was recently recruited as an officer candidate at Embakasi Police Academy where she will be guaranteed employment as a junior officer upon graduation. This position brings an excellent government salary, health care and pension benefits.



Recent high school graduate, Zwena Christine, is hoping to attend Utali College where 60% of its graduates go to work for an African hospitality tourism group; 20% find hospitality employment in the Middle East, and 20% are hired to work in Europe or the United States.

Pauline Akini and Penina Ouma will graduate high school in December this year. Another three students, Mary Violet, Nicholas, and Nathan will finish primary school in December. Each student is working hard to move up to high school. Kayla Achieng will be eligible to attend Nyabondo Girls January 2017. Evans Otieno should be ready to join his DOP/CCI brothers at Segga Boys.



Christine in new uniform boots, with Sylvester and Elijah

Kutamua Wafanyakazi Staff Recognition

Much appreciation goes to our staff. Raphael Odhiambo, our longest serving employee who has never given up on any of the children – even when organizational policies prevented some from receiving additional support. He has found ways to help each, young adult regardless of their circumstances. Nereah is our long time caregiver and mentor to all of our children. She quietly and steadfastly mentors many of our older girls. Winnie is our newest staff member and bookkeeper; she is conscientious and reliable. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication!



In loving memory - Paul Ojwang 1998 - 2016

2015 Financial Report



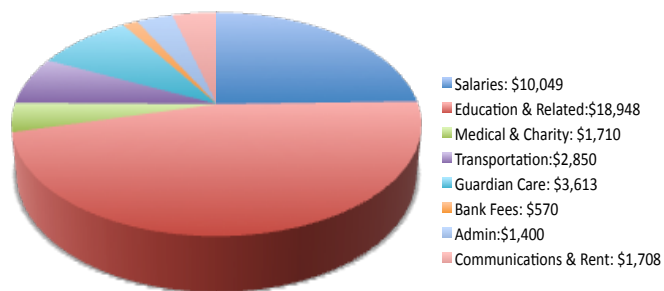
Boys at Segla Boarding with Teacher (Elias absent)

Although the organization's 2015 budget was estimated at \$45,000, our income was only \$41,510. Staff and board were able to decrease expenses by approximately \$4,000. Salaries dropped to \$10,089, while \$18,948 went to school fees, uniforms, books and associated costs. Guardian Care came to \$3,613. Transportation was \$2,850. As a volunteer run organization state side, just \$1,400 was spent on administrative services, while \$570 went to bank fees. Total expenses came to \$40,848.

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DOP/CCI supported 29 children/young adult students for 2015. Eleven percent of total income came from grants, 30 % from a few individual major gifts, and 58% from sponsors.

This year we will serve 27 children/young adults. With most of our children attending primary, secondary boarding school and beyond, staff duties have lessened. Staff have combined duties which will lower the cost of wages, saving the agency \$4,300 for 2016. We remain committed to be worthy stewards of your generous gifts!

Mengi Shukrani! Much Appreciation!

Many organizations and individuals have provided grants and support to Dunga Orphan Project/Community Care Initiative for 2015!

The US Board, Kenyan Advisory Board, and staff have collectively, spent hours of personal time and financial resources to support this organization.

Again, much could not be accomplished without the help and support of volunteers such as Leigh Alger; Suzanna Dentel, newsletter designer; Carmen Brunner, bookkeeper, Mike Murdoch, web designer; and many others. Most importantly, thanks to our many sponsors for their ongoing commitment to these children!



Bodi Shukrani Board Acknowledgements

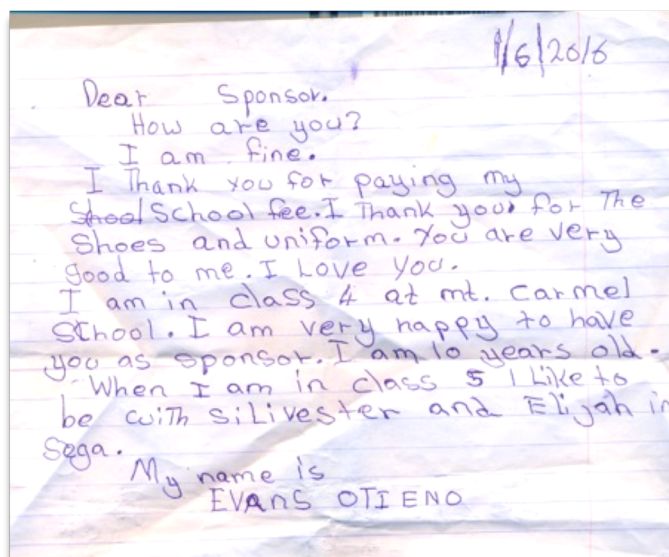
So many hands and minds have come together to help these children/young adults in Kenya. It is important to acknowledge the good work of our Kenyan Advisory Board this year.

Thank you to Ken Olango (above) for his committed leadership and genuine concern for our children; Kevin Obware for his very consistent and professional communication; Ambrose Orege for his compassionate feedback and staff expectations; and Rachelle Strawther for her astute advice based on her non-profit experience in Kenya. Asante!



Special thanks also goes to Carol Bergner, US Secretary, for journeying all the way to Kisumu on her own. She met with staff, KAB, and most of the children. Thanks to Sven Stroosma for his thoughtful leadership; Mark Raphael for his financial management; Jane Mayer for her advocacy and wisdom, Peggy Ratermann for her educator insights and schoolbooks; and Micael Raphael for newsletter and sponsor updates.

Please welcome our newest board member, Susan Cordsen, past Executive Director of Skagit Self-Help Housing for six years and previous owner of Guardian Mortgage (with her late husband) for more than 20 years. She has four adult children.



US BOARD

Sven Stroosma – President
Mark Raphael – Treasurer
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Susan Cordsen
Jane Mayer
Micael Raphael

KENYAN ADVISORY BOARD

Ken Olango – Chair
Kevin Obware – Secretary
Ambrose Orege
Rachelle Strawther

STAFF

Raphael Odhiambo - Director
Winnie Wasonga – Bookkeeper
Nereah Omondi – Care Giver/Mentor

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Current Beneficiaries:

Name	Institution
1. <i>Anjeline Okumu</i>	Kisumu Polytechnic 1 st Yr. Pursuing certificate in Hotel Hospitality.
2. <i>Macreen Adhiambo</i>	Moi University College 2 nd Yr.; pursuing Business Management degree.
3. <i>Jackline Asowa</i>	Embu University 2 nd year studying Microbiology/Micro-technology.
4. <i>Perez Auma</i>	2 nd Yr. Xavier HS
5. <i>Mary Cheptai</i>	2 st Yr. St. Mark's HS
6. <i>Philip Opiyo</i>	2 nd Yr. Rangala HS
7. <i>Pauline Akinyi</i>	4 th Yr. St. Barnabas HS
8. <i>Caroline Adhiambo</i>	3 rd Yr. St. Barnabas HS
9. <i>Everline Anyango</i>	1 st Yr. God Kado HS
10. <i>Okoth Ivy Atieno</i>	2 nd Yr. Alliance Girls HS
11. <i>Macreen Akoth Ouma</i>	2 nd Yr. Ngandu Girls HS
12. <i>Penina Winnie Ouma</i>	4 th Yr. Kisumu Girls HS
13. <i>Zwena Christine Okumu</i>	Graduate. VoTech
14. <i>Nicholas Omondi</i>	8 th Yr. Segla Primary
15. <i>Nathan Odhiambo</i>	8 th Yr. Segla Primary
16. <i>Lisa Awuor</i>	7 th Yr. Nyabondo Primary
17. <i>Sospeter Ochieng</i>	6 th Yr. Segla Primary
18. <i>Elias Otieno</i>	7 th Yr. Segla Primary
19. <i>Elija Otieno</i>	5 th Yr. Segla Primary
20. <i>Sylvester Bena</i>	5 th Yr. Segla Primary
21. <i>Tracy Nyangasi</i>	1 st Yr. St. Barnabas HS
22. <i>Mary Violet</i>	8 th Yr. St. Vitalis Primary
23. <i>Kyla Achieng</i>	5 th Yr. St. Vitalis Primary
24. <i>Brenda Awuor</i>	6 th Yr. St. Vitalis Primary
25. <i>Evans Otieno</i>	5 th Yr. Mt. Carmel Primary
26. <i>Esther Verra</i>	7 th Yr. St. Vitalis Primary
27. <i>Brian Aluoch</i>	3 rd Yr. Thuribuoro HS

Originally as earlier stated the number of kids was 40, many exited after school to look for jobs:

1. *Evans Omullo* - Military Officer with Kenya Defense Force
2. *Lilian Asman* - Final Yr. Tambach Teacher's College.
3. *Fred Dianga* - High school teacher. Maseno University; pursues his masters' in Education.
4. *Millicent Adhiambo* - Graduated from teacher's training college; employed in a private school.
5. *Christine Anyango* - Recently recruited as police

candidate at Embakasi Training Unit to become a Kenyan police officer.

6. *Samuel O. Okoth* - 3rd year computer science student at Moi University. He is privately still sponsored and Higher Education Loan Board.
7. *Francis Otieno* - Graduated, driver heavy commercial vehicles. Lives in Mombasa.
8. *Perez Nuru* - Primary graduate with child. Has her own business selling music CDs.
9. *Catherine Akinyi* - Graduate. Wedding cakes/chapatis business with elder sister.
10. *Malones* - Graduated high school. Now a vocational institute graduate.
11. *James Bwana* - This boy came from the streets of Kisumu before joining DOP. Unable to cope in an orphanage home, I managed to find him a sponsor and an orphan school. He is now a 4th year in high school.

Until now, we have lost 2 boys in death: Joel in February 2008 and Paul in January 2016. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

Vote of Thanks!

On behalf of all the children, young adults, staff and guardians, I very much salute and thank all our kind sponsors, well-wishers, donors and not forgetting the USA Board and Kenya Advisory Board for all the support, in need, or prayer or in capacity building you constantly offer. May God pour his blessings on each one of you! Thank you all once again.



RAPHAEL ODHIAMBO

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