SATF has received grant from The Foundation for Civil Society (FCS) to scale up Psychosocial Capacity Building project in 13 regions. The project builds upon the previous Psychosocial Support project which was implemented in 2008 which was funded by Foundation for Civil Society. The project will be implemented for three years and the total cost of the project is TShs. 317.4m of which TShs. 299.4m shall be contributed by FCS and SATF will contribute TShs. 18m.

The project includes Training of Trainers (TOT) for 25 implementing partners from 13 regions and training of 520 MVC caregivers at grassroots levels. In addition to that the project will include advocacy component whereby, community leaders will be sensitized on the issues of children rights. Another component of the project will be actual provision of psychosocial support to MVC whereby each trained Implementing partner will be awarded a small grant to implement Vijana Simama Imara (VSI) project, a PSS Model developed by HUMULIZA.

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Welcome to our first edition for this year.

On the onset, we commenced our grantmaking process by calling for applications from eligible organisations to implement programs for FY 2009. For the first time our Programs will accommodate Child Protection and Community Empowerment projects complementing the traditional education programs. The response from the organisations supporting MVC has been overwhelmingly. The screening process is in progress therefore, we shall communicate the results in our forthcoming edition. For this Fiscal Year, we have allocated TShs.400mil to be disbursed as grants to support MVC projects in Tanzania.

We have signed a 3-year grant worth TShs.299mil with Foundation for Civil Society (FCS) in the first quarter of the year. The project will rollout the Psychosocial Support Program in 13 regions of Tanzania. It is worthy noting that this marks the second funding we have received from FCS. We greatly appreciate the continuous support from FCS.

I wish you happy reading!

Sincerely,

Beatrice Mgaya
CEO

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SATF is required to generate income from its investment for its survival! Moreover, the income generated is much needed for SATF to meet its objective of making grants to Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs) registered in Tanzania. The grant making is done with an ultimate aim of assisting Most Vulnerable Children (MVC) to become productive members of the society.

The most prominent income avenue is Investment Income. With this avenue, SATF utilizes a variety of investment opportunities available to fulfill its objective of income generation. The returns from the Investments are used to cover its operating expenses & grant making.

As of June, 2009 SATF generated income to the tune of TShs.488million from this avenue.

The other avenue is grant solicitation from donors. This is achieved through proposal submission to potential Grantors. During the 1st Quarter of 2009 SATF managed to solicit TShs. 299.4m in grant from the Foundation for Civil Society for a 3-year-Program on PSS.

However, for the first year, that is 2009 TShs.90m have been received and the implementation has started.

For year 2009 a total of Tshs. 400million have been approved by SATF Board of Trustees to support Most Vulnerable Children (MVC). This is an increase of TShs. 50million (2008:Tshs.350million), implying that SATF will support more MVC in the current year.

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NEW MEMBER JOINS SATF BOARD

Mrs. Mariam Mwaffisi has been appointed to join SATF Board in February this year. Mrs. Mwaffisi is the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Community Development, Gender and Children. She brings in to the Trust her expertise in Gender and Children issues.
As part of Rolling Out Psychosocial Support Program in 13 regions of Tanzania, SATF organized a study tour of Nine Implementing Partner Organizations to HUMULIZA-Muleba. A study tour aimed at equipping Implementing Partners with skills on how to replicate Vijana Simama Imara (V.S.I) which is the Psychosocial Support model. The training was conducted in Nshamba village, Muleba, Kagera. The Tour involved 18 participants from 9 partner NGOs that are working with SATF; and it took place from 8th to 11th June 2009 at HUMULIZA in Muleba, Kagera. The training introduced V.S.I model to workshop participants and provided opportunities to the participants to apply and use the model to implement psychosocial support program at grassroots levels. It promoted different approaches to quality support to the Most Vulnerable Children (MVC) and MVC caregivers through project cycle activities and psychosocial support planning and capacity-building. Moreover, the training provided participants with an opportunity to address issues regarding problems which are facing MVC by working together and drawing resources available in the communities.

Finally, the training facilitated the development of an educational alliance, allowing participants to work together to exchange ideas and impart knowledge as an informal PSS educationalists in their districts. Facilitators to this study tour training were HUMULIZA staff namely:

Victor B Nestory, John B Mushome, Elda Kabondo, Lightness M punga, Leonidas Kitambi, Denis Ergy, Thomas O piyo.

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In implementing the second phase of the Pyschosocial Support grant i.e. Training of MVC Caregivers, in June 2009, SATF embarked on a Capacity Building mission for 100 MVC caregivers from Arusha and Kilimanjaro regions. The emphasis of the training was in the areas of Psychosocial Support Skills to do caregiver. The training was conducted in four districts i.e. Moshi Municipal Council, Moshi Rural District Council, Arusha Municipal Council and Arumeru District Council and were facilitated by our four Implementing Partners organizations in the respective districts. The sessions were in two folds i.e from 23rd - 27th June 2009 in Kilimanjaro region and from 30th June to 4th July 2009 in Arusha region.

The major aim of the training was:
- Capacitate MVC caregivers at grass root level to provide psychosocial support and care to MVC
- Capacitate caregivers to come up with a strategy on how they are going to provide PSS support to MVC.
- Impart knowledge and skills to caregivers on provision of high quality support and care to MVC.

The trainings yield the following outputs:
- 60 MVC caregivers were trained who can provide PSS to MVC.
- In each district, caregivers developed action plan on how they will provide PSS to MVC.

SATF would like to commend Foundation for Civil Society and REPSSI for their continued support.
SATF’S NEW PROGRAMS!

For year 2009, SATF has reviewed its program and added new flavour to our MVC programs, to supplement our traditional MVC Education Program. The latter was mainly involved with provision of scholastic support to the MVC and other contributions. The New SATF Programs include Community Empowerment Programs and Child Protection Programs.

Following that paradigm shift in our Programs, SATF called for applications in April, 2009 whereby organizations expressed their interest in both old and new Programs via Concept Notes initially and at a later stage, full proposals were submitted. After the usual examination and processing of the applications, 30 grantees from 15 regions were approved and these are the Implementing Partners that SATF will work with for the Year 2009.

Education Programs aims at supporting a range of education projects for MVC. The range of education support includes Formal Education for MVC in Government Secondary Schools, Skill Development for Street Children, Youth and also Formal Education for Street Children/Youth and children who are involving in a worst form of child labor to return to formal schooling.

Community Empowerment Programs aims at empowering MVC and MVC Caregivers. Under this category, we expect to fund Income Generating Activities projects which in turn will help caregivers to acquire basic needs in a sustainable manner.

In addition, we shall fund any community Programs that will facilitate accessibility of basic needs to marginalized population such as street children, disabled children, HIV infected children, Child-Headed household.

Child Protection Programs aim at protecting children from violence, exploitation and abuse as an integral component of protection, their rights to survival, growth and development. These programs should be initiated for the community and MVC who are living in marginalized societies.

For more information on our programs you can visit our website www.satftz.org or collect Application Guideline from SATF office.

However, despite of the widened spectrum Program-wisely, SATF through its experience still sees the challenge of inadequate resources due to the increase in the number of MVC as well as broadening MVC needs. Some will not only need scholastic support but also shelter or may be a foster parent. Even though, we can not tame them all, still there is a way to reduce the problem intensity.

In light of that, SATF is trying to be proactive in circumventing the limited resources problem by devising some Fundraising strategies which call upon each interested individual, Corporates, Trustees, Foundations and other well-wishers to support SATF cause.

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SATF STAFF CAPACITY BUILDING

Shukuru Musabila, Program Officer (blue shirt) together with other delegates while attending International Workshop on Resources Mobilization in Bangalore, India, from 25th-28th June 2009. The workshop was attended by 240 representatives from 36 countries.

IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS CAPACITY BUILDING

PSS participants during group discussions

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It was a blissful day on 30th May 2009, for 14 students who graduated from Dodoma Association Training Institute (DATI). SATF through Adopt Africa, an NGO located in Dodoma supported 14 students to acquire vocational training on Hotel Management and awarded them tool kits to start their own small businesses. The training was conducted for 6 months.

Out of the 14 students, 10 have been able to get employment in different hotels located in Zanzibar while the remaining 4 got employment in some Dodoma Hotels.

Mrs Coltrida Ndezi, ADOPT Africa’s Board of Directors Chairperson blessed the ceremony other invited guests included ADOPT Africa’s Operations Officer, Mr. Victor Makwawa, relatives and friends.

It has been another great achievement for SATF where, we have been able to do more of what we do best - securing a future for 14 vulnerable children.