

# IMANI REHABILITATION AGENCY

Annual report 2019



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## **1.0 Director's Note**

Dear friends and family of Imani,

It is the end of yet another glorious year of 2019. I wish to thank you all for the many years of support without fail. We don't take it for granted. It is our prayer that we will continue with the partnership for years to come.

The year has had its challenges and successes. We experienced a drop in the financial support from our local and international donors but we were still able to make sure our children had access to the basic needs. We also acknowledge that it was a successful year as we were able to exit quite a number of our children to suitable homes and we are glad. We are proud to inform you that we succeed to get abandoned babies locally adopted within a average period of three years.

It is our plan to reach out to more children who need our care in 2020.

I also want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a happy New Year. May God fill your hearts with peace and your hands receive divine touch that your prosperity may know no bound in 2020.

God bless you!

Kind regards,

Faith Imani

## 2.0 Summary

This is a report for the year 2019 highlighting all the notable events that happened throughout the year.

## 3.0 PARENTAL CARE

We strive to make sure that all our children receive love and care from Imani family. They are placed in different centers across the country according to their individual needs.

### 3.1. Admissions

We admitted 56 children in the various centers and the total number of children by the end of the year is at 244. The following table shows the number of children currently at each center including 13 children in foster care by the end of 2019.

Branch	Boys	Girls	Overall Total
Baby Unit	26	23	49
Imani A	16	18	34
Imani B	27	16	43
Imani Malindi	39	32	71
Imani Ngong	21	11	32
Imani Kasarani	2	0	2
Foster care	6	7	13
<b>Overall Total</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>244</b>

### 3.2 Family Re-unions

We admitted 56 children in 2019 and we managed to exit a total number of 84 children for the whole year of 2019. This number is inclusive of adoption, re-integration and family re-unions.



*Figure 1 an admission of a girl at Imani A*

### **3.3 Adoption**

On 25<sup>th</sup> of August 2019 marked on of the most important and successful event, we at Imani held an adoption ceremony to officiate the adoption of 26 of their children and fostering of one child. It was an emotional day for the staff of Imani as they had grown attached to these children and it was very hard letting go of them. But to the new parents it was clearly a joyous day as they added a new family member(s) to their homes to show them support, love and care.

### **3.4 Foster Care**

We currently have 13 children of different ages under foster care and we are working towards having the number increased. We are still supporting and visiting them once every 3 months and without any biasness through;

- Food basket which contains food stuffs like maize flour, wheat flour, sugar, cooking oil and hygienic products e.g. soap, toothpaste, body oil, bathing and washing soaps.
- Assorted clothes and shoes
- School fees, tuition and boarding fees, pocket money and any other amount required by the school like school trips etc.
- Medical cover, we make sure all children admitted in Imani are under NHIF insurance.
- Visitation, the children are paid a visit once every quarter mostly when they are on break to make sure that they are all well taken care of.

### **4.0 EDUCATION REPORT**

In this section we explore deeper on the performances of the 220 children in the education program at the different levels and the feedback we have received from the teachers as well as what we have observed.

#### 4.1. School performance

The 208 children in schools, excluded the 12 children in the Early learning center, performed well as we noticed an upward trend on their grades. This was due to the fact that everyone took it upon themselves to assist the children the best way they could through mentorship, evening tuition by the house mothers and the volunteers and the social workers attended all the workshops and academic days at the various schools with the help of the other staff. The following table shows their performance analysis.

Branch/Imani	Education Level	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Total
<b>Imani A</b>	Primary	2	20	14	36
	Secondary	1	4	2	7
<b>Imani B</b>	Primary	1	5	29	35
	Secondary	-	1	-	1
<b>Imani Malindi</b>	Primary	4	11	42	57
	Special School	-	11	-	11
	Secondary	1	5	-	6
<b>Imani Ngong</b>	Primary	2	4	29	35
	Secondary	-	-	-	0
<b>Foster Care</b>	Primary	-	-	3	3
	Secondary	-	4	9	13
<b>Imani Tertiary</b>	College/University	-	-	4	4
<b>Total</b>		<b>11</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>208</b>

## 4.2. Early learning program

The early learning program has been a successful project at Imani. We've been able to get positive feedback from the teachers for the children that we enrolled last year. This was in comparison to the previous years. The teachers have commented on how the children have a better grasp to what is being taught and are actually performing better than their peers who didn't go through the Montessori style of learning. We (the house mothers) have also noticed that the children are able to communicate better.

## 4.3 KCSE and KCPE

Every year we have children sitting for their national exams, the Kenya Certificate of Primary Education and the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education. They performed well as over three quarters were above average. They will be joining secondary school and various colleges in 2020 depending on their grades. The following table gives an analysis of their performance.

Level	Below average	Average	Above average	Total
KCPE	1	2	5	8
KCSE	1	1	1	3
Total	2	3	6	11

## 5.0. HEALTH CARE

### 5.1 Registration of children with NHIF

We have been at par with NHIF registration for all the new admissions that we've had in 2019.

### 5.2 Clinic attendance

We had our children immunized against measles, polio among other diseases at different times within the course of the year as well as deworming them. The HIV positive children have been getting their monthly dosage at Coptic hospital and they

had their last clinic of the year on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December, 2019. They also had their viral load tested to confirm if the medicine they are taking need to be changed. The children had a chance to attend a support group which turned out great. Lastly, one of the children will be having a test next year February to confirm if she/he is infected with the virus.

### **5.3 Therapy session**

We have been having therapy twice a week throughout the year for the children. We have admitted and released the children from the weekly therapy session once we realize a child needs it and if she/he has been assisted. For the last quarter we have admitted two new cases and exited two more.

The major issue we've encountered is lack of enough therapy equipment as each child has a unique medical issue and they need different equipment.



*Figure 2 therapy session at Imani A*

## **6.0 CHILD PARTICIPATION & MOTIVATION**

### **6.1. International day of the African child**

It's a yearly celebration on raising awareness on the continual improvement of education provided to our children and this year was no exception. On 14<sup>th</sup> June we



had our celebration at Kilifi County at Rabai, home of the first CMS mission church. We were represented by 21 children and staff as we sang and danced for everyone.



*Figure 3 Imani Malindi children reciting a poem*

## **6.2. A day trip to Mickey's academy**

The year is almost coming to an end and some of our children from the early learning center will be graduating. As part of the initiation the Montessori teacher planned a class trip to one of schools attended by our older children to familiarize them with other children beside those that they are used to and what will be their new learning environment come 2020

## **6.3. A visit to Nairobi Safari Walk**

Imani got a waiver on the entry charges at the safari walk and so we decided to take the school going children for a tour as a motivational trip for them to perform better at school as they prepared for the end of the year.

## **6.4. Christmas party**

The children had a fantastic day on Christmas day the 25<sup>th</sup> of December with various activities at their respective centers.



*Figure 4 one of the children receiving a Christmas present*

## **7.0 ON-GOING PROJECTS**

### **7.1. Imani B family Housing Units**

We currently have an ongoing project at Imani B to increase the family housing units. The first project was quite successful which was to make sure that there was a small number of children of different ages in the same units with a mother taking care of them. The intention of the units was to make sure the children feel like part of a family. The project is mid-way and is expected to end early in the year 2020.



*Figure 5 ongoing construction of housing unit at Imani B*

## **7.2. Mtaa Safi Na Imani**

Mtaa Safi has been an ongoing project for Imani since its inception. Every Saturday our children and staff have been religiously teaming up with the neighboring community to clean up the neighborhood. We still have a few challenges which include lack of tools and the garbage collection trucks, but we are working on having the more partners for us to more efficient.

## **7.3. Imani Farming Project**

In our farming project we got three more cows to our addition, 2 female and 1 male. This means the milk production will increase in the coming months. The objective of the farming project were to be able to supply its products for the children's meals and also to make sure it's self-sustainable. We have achieved both, the children are able to enjoy eggs and milk from the project and it's currently self-sustaining.

## **7.4. Maintenance**

We have had a couple of maintenance activities mostly to upgrade the comfort of the children and care givers and also to improve on the service delivery of other members of staff. In Malindi our toilets and got a facelift when they were fixed with new doors, the Malinda dining hall tables also got new Formica surfaces for easy cleaning this will enhance hygiene watch. Still on maintenance our Ngong center got new toilet doors and repairs on broken window panes and the cows feeding area. In Imani A there were major repairs and changes on the laundry area where we installed a new shade and serviced the washing and drying machines.

## **8.0. CONCLUSION**

It was a wonderful year and we have the following friends and partners to thank for its success.

- Imani Foundation \* FEMI \* Coroos Conserven \* Koornzaayer Foundation
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- US ambassador to Kenya Kyle McCarter and his wife Victoria McCarter
- Friends of Imani \* Religious Groups \* Academic Institutions \* Fresh N' Juice
- Veg Pro \* Volunteers \* Uncles and Aunties \* Mill bakers \* Kenol Kobi