

IMANI REHABILITATION AGENCY

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Directors note

Dear family, friends and partners. We have come to an end of another challenging but successful year 2018. With a lesson that challenges push us to realize growth and also heighten our ability to see things in a different way as we live daily. As we embrace diversity and inclusion in our circles we are optimistic that today will be better than yesterday and that our efforts of today will bear sweet fruit tomorrow

Imani has been running every day to ensure that we have a successful child at the end and this could not be possible without the favour of God and also the dedicated members of staff in all the Imani branches with supportive partners in all aspects.

This year Imani has made major advancement in all the daily programs that we run notably health, education and parental care. We know that growth is a process and this has helped us accommodate more personalities and tolerant to changes in behaviours.

I wish to thank all of you for joining hands to support the Imani spirit and am also inviting you to board with us into 2019 and make Imani the best.

Yours truly

Faith Wanjiru

Director

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PREFACE

Imani is a charitable children's institution that takes care of children of different vulnerabilities in our seven (7) centres within Kenya. We are registered with the ministry of labour and east African community department of children services. The vulnerabilities that we take care of are;

- Abandoned babies
- Abused children
- Children of imprisoned parents
- Orphans
- Whose custody has become void due to a reason

Besides love, shelter and other basic needs we provide parental care, education and life skills training.

Each centre takes care of a specific category of children and we have exchange programmes on holidays to improve interaction and to boost self-esteem in our children.

Below is a table that shows the distribution of children in our centres

Branch	Boys	Girls	Overall Total
Babies Unit	29	36	65
Imani A	23	29	52
Imani B	22	11	33
Imani Malindi	45	35	80
Imani Ngong	22	15	37
Imani Kasarani	2	0	2
Overall Total	176	139	315

Exits and re-integration

We believe that the family is the best place for a child to grow in and at Imani we are devoted in ensuring that children in our care find a suitable family where they will find more love and attention. We see that children in our care don't stay there for long that is why we facilitate adoption, foster care and reintegration which are processes guided by the Kenyan law and the children's act.

It is notable that Imani was commended for its efforts of exiting children as we were the second institution in Kenya after the child welfare society that exits the highest number of children In Kenya. In 2018 the number of children that exited through adoption are less compared to the previous 2017. The lack of committal orders slowed down the number of adoptions. Since Imani increased its efforts to obtain the committal orders in 2019 we expect the number of children that shall exit Imani to be higher.

In 2018 we had a total of;

- 28 new admissions
- 6 exits through foster care
- 8 exits through re-integration
- 22 exits through adoption



Adoptive parents and their children after the handing over ceremony at Imani B

Education

At Imani we acknowledge that education is the biggest inheritance that we can give to the children in our custody because it's their bargaining tool for the future and also any other place they go. Through education we understand that their self-esteem is built and they can be able to challenge and accommodate different mind-sets.

We have built and equipped a Montessori learning facility at one of the Imani centres. This facility has brought wonderful change to the children who are under this program. This year it got additional learning materials and equipment to boost the learners capacity. 10 of these children shall be joining elementary school in January 2019.



We are also happy to mention that our children who sat for their national examination at primary level performed excellently with 5 out of 8 persons scoring 300 marks and above. This is a notable achievement especially on the side of girls.



(above our children at the learning hub school on the left and at home during preps on the right)

Below is a table showing our children's performance at every level.

Branch/Imani	Education Level	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Total
Imani A	Primary	6	4	43	53
	Secondary	1	4	2	7
Imani B	Primary	3	-	33	36
	Secondary	-	-	-	-
Imani Malindi	Primary	3	4	48	55
	Special School	-	11	-	11
	Secondary	2	6	2	8
	Tertiary	-	-	1	1
Imani Ngong	Primary	2	1	28	30
	Secondary	-	1	-	1
	Tertiary	-	-	-	-
Foster Care	Primary	-	-	3	3
	Secondary	1	2	4	7
Imani Kasarani	College/University	-	1	2	3
Imani Malindi	College/University	-	1	-	1
Total		18	34	145	216

In this year. One of the children of Imani graduated with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the university of Nairobi in September. He completed five academic years and he attained a second class upper division.

He recently got an internship with a civil engineering consultant company in Nairobi.



(Above kelvin Nyamu at his graduation party in Imani)

HEALTHCARE

It is in the biggest interest of Imani in seeing that the health of the children under its custody is well taken care of and a lot of emphasis put alongside other systems to ensure that the health program in Imani is effective in the dimension of preventative or curative lines.

Cleanliness is a major factor within the facilities as we also fumigate regularly to get rid of any pests and insects.

Imani feeds its children with a nutritious diet which boosts immunity, carries out regular health check-up's to search for any ailments or underlying disease. All the young infants are taken for immunization as per recommendations by the ministry of health. We also have a doctor on call with an in house nurse.

This year two of our children went for complex surgeries and medical procedures.

Maxwell Imani who has been going to Italy for minor operations to strengthen his lower limbs to for him to be able to move efficiently underwent a major one this year where he had operations on both legs where they reinforced with an orthopaedic frame. He is still using his prosthesis to move around. He is currently studying at a special school

Jane Luche also underwent a long surgery to cut off a lump on her back. She lives with a hydrocephalus condition and it was a relief for her after the operation. She will be joining a special school in Malindi at the beginning of the year.



OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

i. COMMITTAL ORDERS

These are orders granted by the children's court to a guardian granting them full custody of a child up to 3 years. In the first quarter we had a total of 53 committal orders of children in Imani. In the second quarter we had a total of 18 new committals and 22 renewed committals that had initially expired.

In the last quarter we had a total of 21 new committals.

ii. The National Health Insurance Fund

This is a fund set up by the government to cater for medication. It's a necessary requirement for our children here at Imani because of the high costs of medication we used to incur earlier. A total of 43 children were registered with the NHIF

iii. Nairobi Meru walk

The Imani Alumni, staff and children of Imani walked for 8 days from Nairobi to Meru in a bid to fundraise for an abled different home in Malindi. It was a challenging journey because of the terrain and the weather variance at the time.

(below right) the director children services flagging off the walk.



iv. Capacity building

This year various trainings both within Imani and out of Imani have been conducted.

Three members of the management team have been attending trainings with the 3to5 club twice every month on matters of maintaining quality in the organization and also forecasting for major projects

The managers and social workers also attended trainings organized by the government and other stake holders in the children's sector to update them with the current ongoing changes in the children's department.

We have one staff who is also currently undergoing studies at one of the universities here in Kenya.

Maintenance

i. The Imani B hall roof

This year a number of repairs and maintenance activities have been done to give Imani B a facelift:

The roof of the Imani B hall got a new insulation to prevent water from leaking along those areas where there has been no enough slope to drain the storm water.(photo)



ii. IMANI B NEW GATE

We also erected a new gate at Imani B. the previous one had been repaired a couple of times and it was also eating a lot into the repair costs and time. It took approximately a whole week to replace the new gate.



(pictures of the gate during and after construction)

iii. Imani Ngong Kitchen Roof

Imani Ngong kitchen roof was also restructured because the slope was not enough to drain all the water, some of the roofing sheets needed replacement as they were bent due to the sag as a result



On-going projects

1. Farming

We are still keeping farm animals in our various projects for milk, eggs and meat. These projects are expected to boost the income side of our struggling financial budget of 2018. These products are for the consumption of our children internally.

In 2019 the poultry project is anticipated to grow as we are bringing in a new breed of chicken.

We are also doing some kitchen gardens in all our centres except Kibera and Kasarani. We have harvested a good amount of vegetables and tree tomatoes in the last months of year 2018 and this has encouraged us to plant more for our internal consumption.

2. Mtaa Safi na Imani

This initiative has been mind engaging and we are always drawing ideas to make the initiative impact people in a great way. The initiative has two other teams working together with Imani. Each of the teams has a specific day of cleaning a part of the road that leads to Imani.



The Imani team on a cleaning day

CHALLENGES

The number of local adoptions within Kenya is on the rise but most prospective parents are adopting girls as compared to boys. This cuts off the boys from getting a family to stay with. Imani is advocating for both genders to get adopted and we are anticipating for a change in this trend

The weather patterns in Malindi is making it hard for us to grow vegetables in the spaces around our centres because sometimes it gets very dry and hot. This has pushed us to continue sending vegetables to Malindi by bus what is a bit costly and the vegetables can't stay for long being fresh.

The growing population of small traders around the Soweto area has made the road almost impassable. These traders sometimes bring their wears almost at our door step and this poses as a big challenge in case of an emergency or any other occurrence there might be trouble getting access to Imani or to the road.

APPRECIATION

Imani has been running on support from different stakeholders, players and friends. We have no good words to express our gratitude for their helping hands and watchful eyes.

Belo is a list of our partners both locally and internationally.

- Imani foundation
- Both sides Now, Pacato, Cerradura, Chiusa, GVDS and PVDS
- F.E.M.I
- COROOS CONSERVEN
- CHILD WELFARE SOCIETY
- NIGHT OF COMEDY
- VEGPRO KENYA
- MARA FARMING
- KOORNZAAYER FOUNDATION
- SILENT DONORS
- QUACK FOUNDTION
- TALUD
- EVERGREEN HARDWARE
- FRESH N JUICE
- FORD FOUNDATION
- Protestantse gemeente Ede
- ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS
- CHURCHES and OTHER RELIGIOUS GROUPS
- MUTHURWA AND SOWETO MARKET TRADERS, NAFKA CEREALS
- JOYCE GIKUNDA