

# TWAHIRAH ISLAMIC CHARITY ORGANISATION



# SECOND QUARTERLY REPORT 2023

"Love, Share & Hope"

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# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Making an impact in life of a needy person takes a lot of efforts, dedication and resources. Our dedication as Twahirah Islamic Charity Organisation, puts us in position to make a difference in the under privileged.

What transpired in the second quarter of 2023 is well elaborated in this report;

# **1.0 SECTION ONE**

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

# 1.1 Introduction

Twahirah Islamic Charity Organisation (TICO) is a non-profit and indigenous organisation established out of patriotic spirit to contribute to the welfare of underprivileged children, youth, women, disabled and elderly with the focus on their health, social and economic development. It strives to provide educational support to the underprivileged children, and it also empowers youths and women through technical and practical skilling to enhance economic development and growth.

We are licensed to operate as an NGO; meaning we operate in the whole of Uganda with a registration number **INDR157054848NB**.

# 1.2 Vision

To overcome absolute poverty among vulnerable communities towards self-reliance.

# 1.3 Mission

To build and restore hope among vulnerable people through inspiration and support.

# 1.4 Objectives

- To improve livelihood among vulnerable, disabled and marginalize people through poverty relief developmental projects.
- To provide safe and clean water to all marginalized communities.
- To provide support and advice on health and social care to children, families and local communities through equipping them with assurance of safe and healthy life.
- To support children and single mothers through building and rising their self-esteem to fully exploit their potential.
- To promote and strengthen Islam across the world through devise and establishment of programs and facilities that preserve and relate to Islamic knowledge.
- To restore peace, love, faith and hope to vulnerable undeserving groups.

# 1.5 Core values

- Social justice and Equity; we exist to promote equality, dignity and unbiased society to the marginalized groups through empowering the disposed towards revealing their God given human potential.
- **Sincerity**; When responding to the suffering our efforts are driven by honesty to Allah and the need to fulfill our obligations to humanity.
- Accountability and Transparency; we hold ourselves accountable to the highest level of ethical behavior and responsibility for our actions while maintain integrity in our performance. All our actions and projects ensure credibility.
- **Respect**; In all what we do and even among the young generation we shall exhibit high levels of respect when performing activities.
- **Community oriented**; a sense of belonging is natured across all operation of the organ whereby all donors, volunteers, staff and other stakeholders feel part of the fields of life family.
- Monotheism; we highly believe in the oneness of Allah.

# 1.6 Our beneficiaries

A vulnerable person is he who is prone to risks which might not be of his or her causing. It is mostly due to negative factors which are outside one's control.

Poverty to a greater extent makes people vulnerable due to lack of resources which are crucial in provision of human basic needs.

The following among others are the vulnerable groups we serve;

- Orphans and vulnerable children.
- The Disabled
- Elderly
- Widows
- The homeless
- Those without food.
- Girl child
- Youths

# 1.7 Activities

- Providing support and advice on health, nutrition and social care to children, their families and wider community, through provision of multi-nutritious crops breeds to improve people's diet. We also have an aspect of promoting community Health and disease prevention programs through public health interventions and construction of modern public toilets in communities. Improving maternal health in marginalized areas is yet another area, through health advocacy, education and awareness programs and promoting skilled attendance at home and in Facilities.
- Providing quality education to vulnerable children through offering scholarships, sourcing for them bursaries from various education centers and institutions, availing them with scholastic materials and sanitary towels to girl-child to provide a foundation for a productive and happy future.
- Providing better and modern shelter to homeless families through construction of houses, rehabilitation and renovation of outdated homes so as for them to live a better life.

- Educating, training and sponsoring Muslims and new converts in learning religious obligations and Islamic faith through collaborations with other Islamic education centers. More still, constructing new and renovating old mosques and other Islamic centers like libraries and schools to marginalized communities to impart proper Islamic worship and knowledge to recreate pure divine presence on earth. We also support and empower Islamic leaders like imams and sheikhs in Muslim communities through organizing social and economic programs to empower, develop and refine their skills.
- Improving livelihood through provision of improved farming inputs like seeds, animal breeds, advisory services and pesticides to marginalized people in the community.
- Providing food relief to the most starving vulnerable and marginalized children, women and elderly during emergency and food scarcity periods and supplying the most nutritious food to promote healthier dietary behavior among young children.
- Empowering women and the girl child through vocational skills training, business mentoring and capacity building programs to enable them gain knowledge and practical skills for self-sustainability.
- Provision of safe, clean and affordable water supplies to the community through constructing of boreholes, water harvesting tanks in schools, mosques, as well as in other areas with water shortages.

2.0 SECTION TWO

**PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT** 

## 2.1 Gifts



When a child receives a gift, that sense of being loved and cared for develops. It is our habit to give gifts to the four children on our education sponsorship program and other children we give support through our different projects.

# 2.2 Parent's Meeting



We engage our beneficiaries so that we can improve on service delivery through a number of meetings we conduct.

On 13th May 2023, we organized a meeting at our offices which was attended by both parents / guardians and children on our Education Sponsorship Program. We discussed more the policy governing the program, the parents signed off the policy and we went further to explain to them all the dos and don'ts for those we work with. The parents/guardians and the sponsored children got to know more about TICO and how we operate.

We extend our sincere gratitude to Team Twahirah Members, Partners and all well-wishers for supporting the four sponsored children.

## **PROJECTS**

# 3.1 Education

For a needy to change what is ought to happen in future, for sustainability, he or she must acquire necessary knowledge and skills to use in the competitive world. That can only be achieved through acquiring good quality education. Our four sponsored children continued with their education in their respective schools.









Mirembe Rihana

Kajumba Vicent

Amir Wamahuyu

Kaweesa Sharif

# 3.2 Scholastic Materials



On **27th May 2023**, we conducted a scholastic materials distribution project at Ddundu, Kyampisi subcounty - Mukono district where we served **fifty (50)** needy children from needy families. These children's parents and guardians could not afford to provide such materials thus children could not produce promising results through school reports due to failure to have materials they use to study.

The materials donated to these children included books, geometry sets, pens pencils, rolls of toilet paper, rulers and rubbers.

# School fees

TICO continued to sponsor its four children; Mirembe Rihanna, Kajjumba Vincent, Kaweesa Sharif and Wamahuyu Amir. School fees for term two 2023 were paid to help the children settle in class and spend much of the time in learning.









Mirembe Rihana

Kajumba Vicent

Amir Wamahuyu

Kaweesa Sharif

# **Iftar Aid**

### 3.4.1 **Masjid Muhammad Ali- Sembabule**

On Friday 7th April 2023, we managed to provide iftar to over two hundred ninety (290) fasting Muslims of Masjid Muhammad Ali at Sembabule district.

This was our third mosque to benefit from our Ramadan Iftar Aid Program 2023.

We are grateful to Earth Packaged Drinking Water, Dembe Distributors Limited, members of Team Twahirah and all supporters. May Allah bless them and put ease in whatever they do.





# 3.4.2 Masjid Abubakar-Kagoma

Provision of Iftar to fasting Muslims of Masjid Abubakar Kagoma, Wakiso district on **14th April 2023** marked the end of our Iftar Project this year. We are so appreciative to Team Twahirah members and all well-wishers who supported this project.





# 3.5 Ramadan Seminar

Seminars are good avenues to spread and promote Islamic teachings to both Muslims and non-Muslims through religious festivities, lectures and symposium.

More still, seminars bring us towards morality through learning and participating in activities which draw us closer to God when we practice laws and values as He commands thus in the end strengthening one's own faith.

This year on 16th April 2023, TICO in partnership with Twahirah Islamic Centre Online school (TIC) held a Ramadan Seminar at Masjid Abubakar-Kagoma, Wakiso district where a number of well learned sheikhs presented on a number of issues.

Over one thousand two hundred (1200) people attended from different parts of the country. The different presentations from Sheikhs equipped attendees with knowledge about Islam and social life in general.













Being an Islamic based company with an aim of becoming the preferred organisation for Islamic knowledge in Uganda, we partner with Twahirah Islamic Center to teach Muslims of different ages in different courses which instill Islamic morals and values. In line with making sure the students taught learn well, we organize Quran competitions which are conducted online every month of Ramadan.

This year's finals were conducted physically at Masjid Abubakar-Kagoma on 16th April 2023 during the **Twahirah Ramadan Seminar 2023** and **Swafiyyah Twaha Nabuuma** won the 2nd Students' Quran Online Competition 2023.

# 3.7 Qurban Project

Dhuhia is known as the Feast of Sacrifice. This is because it honours the famous story of the willingness of the prophet Ibrahim to sacrifice his son as an act of obedience to Allah's command. In that respect, Muslims all over the world slaughter animals like cattle, sheep and goats.

On Eid Al- Adhuha the **28th day of June 2023**, we slaughtered **50** cattle which meat was distributed to over one thousand two hundred **(1,200)** needy people of Kijabijjo and the surrounding areas. Each beneficiary went home with at least three **(3)** kilograms which put smiles on their faces.

On the second day (29th June 2023) of conducting the Qurban Project, we slaughtered thirteen (13) goats at our office which meet was shared amongst needy neighbors. These are the people with whom we stay and we could not miss sharing with them. They enjoyed their day as they were able to cook enough food on that day. Thirty (30) people benefited from this project

On the **30th day of June 2023**, we slaughtered seventy **(70)** sheep. This mutton was served still at Kijabijjo Primary School playground. This meat was distributed to Muslims and non-Muslims. Mosques around Kijabijjo received cards which they distributed benefit to beneficiaries of this particular project.









# 3.8 Kamuli Assessment



In a bid to expand our services to other communities, we held a community meeting at Bunangwe Buyuka zone, Kitayunjwa subcounty, Kamuli District where we introduced the organization to this community and the programs through which we serve the needy. We interacted with the community in to assess which programs and eventually projects the community can benefit from.



Our relief program has a number of projects we can carry out in this village immediately.

As TICO, we are currently mobilizing resources which we will extend to this community through a number of projects.

# 4.1 Administration

# 4.1.1 Staffing

The fact that we have not raised enough resources to accommodate a number of staff, we resorted to having volunteers who come to serve the needy depending on the projects we may have at different intervals.

Our volunteers are very determined to change lives of the underprivileged.

# 4.1.2 Meetings

Meetings help the staff to strategize on how to go about the tasks assigned to them and also getting the way forward in case challenges are encountered.

We continued to sit weekly and monthly general meetings both on departmental and management levels.

# 4.1.3 Assets Management

In order to maintain and manage our assets better, we are planning on labelling them. This planned to be achieved in the next quarter as resource are being mobilized.

# 4.2 FINANCE

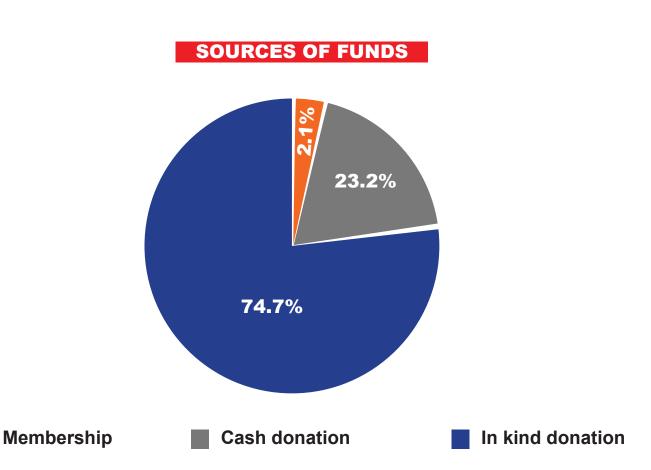
Finance management is a critical aspect of running the organization as it embodies planning, organizing, controlling and monitoring financial resources in order to achieve set goals.

# 4.2.1 Sources of funding

As Twahirah Islamic Charity Organisation, these are the major sources of funding.

S/N	SOURCE	PERCENTAGE
1	Membership	2.1%
2	Cash donations	23.2%
3	In kind donations	74.7%

Figure 1: Showing sources of funds

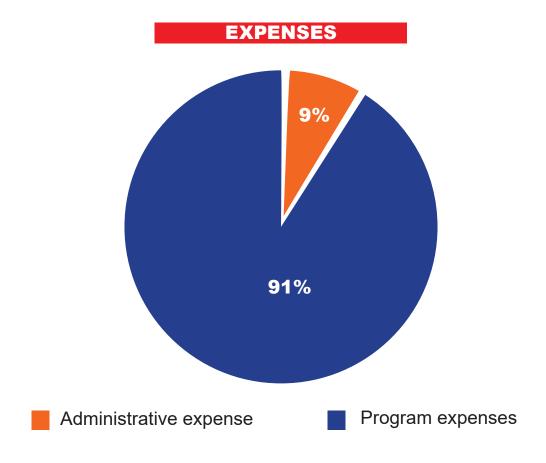


# 4.2.2 **EXPENSES**

Expenses in an NGO are the costs that the organization incurs to carry out its mission and activities. For TICO, the biggest ones are seen in projects which directly impact lives of the needy.

S/N	EXPENSE	PERCENTAGE
1	Program expenses	91%
2	Administrative expense	9%

Figure 2: Showing expenses in this quarter



# CHALLENGES, RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION

# 5.1 Lessons learnt

- Having many partners gives organisation a bigger fundraising base.
- Planned budgets musts be strictly followed to properly manage finances.
- All policies must be drafted and explained to all stake holders to avoid any deviant behavior.
- Many volunteers provide a big work force which is cost saving.

# 5.2 Challenges

- Limited resources to compared to many activities that come with the needs of people we serve.
- Un cooperative nature of some Mosques Imams and other leaders.
- Difficulty in transportation. Since we lack our own vehicle, transporting materials and volunteers was always challenging since we had to invest in a lot of money.
- Many beneficiaries' expectations are more than what we as an organization can offer.
- Limited partners, members and donors yet we planned to conduct a number of projects.

# 5.3 Recommendations

- TICO should buy its own vehicle that can carry heavy loads or even partnering with companies or individuals with them to reduce on transport expenses.
- A service provider should not be paid before a service is provided.
- TICO should do more fundraising.
- Everyone is responsible for TICO equipment while in the field to make sure we safe guard them.
- Team Twahirah members should be engaged in time about coming projects.
- We should work directly with local leaders.

# 5.4 Conclusion

In conclusion, this quarter we serve many vulnerable people; ranging from the old, widows, children, the disabled among others. Such a big outcome would not be possible without our members, partners and other well-wishers.

May the Almight God bless you and your families.