



INTERNAL OVCs

Introduction:

The OVC program is one of the activities being implemented in ROM to offer OVC services to families/households affected and infected by HIV/AIDS, Reach out Mbuya provides Medical care and social support to its HIV positive clients and through this ROM has been partnering with donors like **SIDECOLE and MARATHON**, to support our OVCs with Education and provision of Scholastic materials like shoes, uniform, sportswear bags, books, pens, pencils and mathematical sets but also putting into consideration the OVC Core program areas i.e., Economic stability and Security, Survival and Health, Education and Development, Care and protection, Food and nutrition.

Target Group.

Through the OVC programs ROM targets vulnerable children from vulnerable households both positive and negative using the Household vulnerability Assessment tool (HVAT) and supported with the services.

Objectives/ Purpose:

- To improve learning outcomes and academic performance among OVC by supplying essential scholastic materials such as books, shoes and uniforms
- To support the holistic development of OVC, boosting their self-esteem, motivation and prospects through sustained access to education.
- To build a clear relationship between parents and ROM who is the link between them and the donor.
- To reduce school dropout rates within Nakawa division and outside caused by financial constraints.
- To promote equal educational opportunities for marginalized children by ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education in line with SDG 4.
- To Increase access to education for the OVC by providing financial support to enroll and remain in school.

Expected outcomes.

- Improve school enrollment and retention rates among OVC
- Increased access to learning materials and improved classroom engagement
- Reduced financial burden on caregivers and guardians
- Better academic performance and prospects for supported children.

Sustainability.

The program will continue working as long as there is funding, and it can stop any time when the funding stops. ROM will continue to solicit funds from donors and other strategies like marathons.