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### **2011 ANNUAL LETTER**

Dear Friends of HACODEFU,

On behalf of HACODEFU, I kindly take this opportunity to thank you very much for your continued support of our initiatives. Together, we were able to move forward the wheels of development our communities in Hamisi. Below are highlights of our successes in 2011.

We launched a website [www.hacodefu.org](http://www.hacodefu.org) in October of 2011.

We rolled out a scholarship program to benefit needy students. Students on our scholarship program are expected to maintain a minimum mean grade of C (or a minimum of 500 marks out of a total 1100 marks) every year for continued support. We were able to award scholarships to six (6) students in Secondary School and one (1) student at the University.

HACODEFU was able to help some of the community clinics or dispensaries by providing some capital assets like blood pressure machines. A needy child was assisted in settling part of her surgery bills.

We assisted three schools in improving their structures (classrooms and outhouse urinals).

#### **Finances:**

HACODEFU received a total of **\$8,085** in 2011 in donations of cash and material. We spent **\$5,453** in 2011 and carried forward a balance of **\$2,632** to the 2012 fiscal year. Some of the 2011 big item expenditures include **\$2,847** on education, **\$1,756** on community health and **\$474** towards the website.

#### **Projects:**

##### **A: Education**

**I) Improvements in Schools**

HACODEFU continued to support an ongoing Mercy Children's Academy project that was started in 2010. The project is expected to be completed in 2012.

Jeblebuk primary school was vandalized. We provided some funds to purchase some of the teaching materials.

Givogi nursery school needed to construct two outhouse urinals for boys and girls. We provided funds towards this endeavor.

**II) Scholarships:**

Scholarships were awarded to six (6) students in secondary schools and one in the University. Of the six (6) students in secondary schools, two (2) were in Makuchi secondary school, two (2) in Muhudu secondary school and two (2) in St. John Cheptech secondary school. The university student was at Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology <http://www.mmust.ac.ke/>.

**B: Community Health:**

Three Sphygmomanometers (2 digital and 1 manual) were donated to Cheptech dispensary. A manual Sphygmomanometer was donated to Tigoi dispensary.

A needy student was assisted in settling part of her surgery bill at a hospital in Nairobi.

**Plans for 2012:**

The year 2011 was another productive year for our organization. With your unwavering support, we hope to continue to improve the lives of Hamisi Community in 2012 and the years ahead.

In 2012, HACODEFU plans to build on existing initiatives. In particular we intend to:

- i) Support implementation of recommendations from primary school head teachers in Hamisi on improving education standards. A pilot program is intended to be undertaken in Muhudu location. The learnings from the pilot program will be incorporated into the broader program that will be rolled out for the entire district.
- ii) Roll out an interest free small business model to benefit more individuals.

Thank you very much for taking your time to go over our achievements of 2011 and hope that you will continue to support us on our journey of alleviating poverty in Hamisi.

Sincerely



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