

Sport 4 Socialisation



International Foundation for Sport and Education for Social Cohesion of Vulnerable Groups in Africa

Annual Report 2009

Note from the chairman

After a flying start in October 2007 our foundation has been operating in Zimbabwe since late 2007 and has since established itself well in Mutare, Zimbabwe. In 2009 this line was put through.

2009 was characterized by further strengthening of our projects our Zimbabwe. After a visit from some board members in February / March of 2009 we are very pleased to see the possibilities to expand and reach out to more youth and children living with disabilities and their families. By attracting more local staff and volunteers impact of our projects in this area further ensured and we can start thinking about the further rollout of our goals in other areas.

In November 2009 S4S TZ became an official partner of the Liliane Fonds which enables S4S to assist more youth and children living with disabilities with medical and educational assistance as well as income generating project development. S4S is furthermore working on a roll out of the Social Inclusion Programme concept together with Liliane Fonds.

At the end of the year, in December, S4S officially registered as a local Trust in Zimbabwe: Sport 4 Socialisation Trust Zimbabwe, abbreviated to S4S TZ with a very experienced and motivated local board.

In The Netherlands we continued our fundraising for our projects. Some schools and service clubs have done great fundraising activities. IN 2010 our focus will be more on developing projects to become self-sustainable.

Drs. Ing. G.H. Logt
Chairman of the board

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Introduction

Sport is a unique tool to improve the social position of vulnerable groups and to raise awareness about health and other social issues. Sport 4 Socialisation tries to improve the social position of vulnerable groups in Africa through sport and education of communities. Sport 4 Socialisation targets mainly youth and children living with disabilities and their families, but also street children, women and HIV-infected people. Sport 4 Socialisation believes that sport unites people and that sport is a unique tool to discuss issues related to disabilities and HIV and AIDS with a broader public.

The situation for people living in developing countries is often of a poor standard; especially for the weaker people in the society, who live under very bad circumstances. For those people, sport is a way to leave the daily problems behind for a moment. Participating in sport activities can be a therapeutic way to help the physical, social and mental well-being. This especially counts for people living with disabilities and other vulnerable groups.

Youth and children with disabilities

Adolescents and youth with disabilities are among the neediest of all the world's children. Young people with disabilities face social isolations, poverty and discrimination, especially those who live in developing countries. In 1998 the United Nations adopted the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Special attention to the needs of children, adolescents and youth with disabilities is discussed in article 23. These children are guaranteed:

- The right to a full and decent life, to ensure dignity, self-reliance and active participation in the community;
- The right to education, training and preparation for life skills and employment;
- Access to health services;
- Access to rehabilitation services and recreation;
- The right to special care and assistance, appropriate to the child's condition.

Article 30 of the United Nations (UN) convention on the rights of persons with disabilities (2006) states the right to participate in cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport.

Despite the rights guaranteed to them in this Convention on the Rights of the Child and the convention on the rights of persons with

disabilities and other documents, they are often prohibited from meaningfully participating in their families and communities. They often lack basic health care and are not allowed to attend school or to find work. Compared to their non-disabled peers, they are at a greatly increased risk of physical and psychological abuse and sexual exploitation. In many



countries, they are routinely institutionalised and are often the recipients of unnecessary and unwanted medical and surgical procedures, including forced sterilisation. Young women with disabilities and young people with disabilities from ethnic and minority communities continuously face double discrimination based on both their disability and their gender or heritage.

Often in developing countries there is too little specific knowledge about disabilities and the government simply has no funds available to handle existing problems. The right to sport and games is also listed in the convention as a separate right. The right to sport and games also appears to be

neglected by many governments in developing countries. Part of the reason for this is the ignorance of what sport can do for children and children with disabilities in particular. According to estimates done by the WHO (2002), there are about 500 to 600 million people in the world with a disability of some kind. About 120 to 150 million of these are children. Of these children, 80% (96 million) live in developing countries, and most of them in remote areas. Only 1 to 2 percent of these children go to school. There are no precise figures for how many people in developing countries live with a disability, but the WHO gives a general estimate for 2008 that 10% of the population of a developing country are handicapped.

The perspective of Sport 4 Socialisation

In Africa there are a lot of misbeliefs about disabilities. Often a disability is related to a curse from the devil or angry ancestors. The possible medical reasons stay untouched. Because disabilities are surrounded by myths and stigma's youth and children with disabilities and their families are perceived with negative attitudes from the communities they live in. Therefore youth and children with disabilities are hidden away, the family is ashamed and nobody wants to be related to the child with the disability. Children with disabilities often are not able to go to school or take part in community life; people think the children have no future because of their disability. On the other hand parents and family members over protect their child, afraid that the child will be damaged (physically or emotionally) once he or she participates in any activity.

Sport 4 Socialisations wants to break these myths and stigmas by educating the families of disabled youth and children and their communities. Children and youth with disabilities themselves and the families are playing a huge role in breaking down these negative thoughts and attitudes. Through sport the children can showcase who they are and what they still can do despite their disability. Integrated activities together with able-bodied youth and children are the key to this problem.

Furthermore Sport 4 Socialisation tries to stimulate frequent interaction between the parents of the children, by stimulating to organise themselves into parent groups. This will also give them a chance to address issues which are affecting their children and them as a family. Through the projects that Sport 4 Socialisation is initiating disabled youth and children get a chance to live a full and descent life, with improved chances on education and job opportunities in order for them to become self-supportive. And the children and their families have a chance to come out of the social isolation society and themselves have put them in.



Mission and vision

Vision

The vision of Sport 4 Socialisation is a world in which vulnerable groups have equal opportunities as their community members. A world in which vulnerable groups are seen as equal partners, have the same rights as others and access to education, health and a strongly improved social position.

Mission

Sport 4 Socialisation is striving for equal opportunities for all youth and children in the world no matter their social, economical, racial or religious status. Equal opportunities in terms of their rights on education, social position and health access through the use of sport as a (educational) tool.

Development Sport 4 Socialisation

Sport 4 Socialisation is established in September 2007. Since the start Sport 4 Socialisation has been mainly operating in Zimbabwe. Since 2007 Sport 4 Socialisation for example, successfully co-organised a conference for youth living with disabilities in Marondera and has implemented and is running a social inclusion programme for youth and children with disabilities and their families in Mutare.

Since the end of 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation is in the process of registering Sport 4 Socialisation Trust Zimbabwe as a local NGO (Trust) under the Zimbabwean law. Per 2010 Sport 4 Socialisation Trust Zimbabwe will be an official mediator for Liliene Fonds in Zimbabwe.

As per 2010 Sport 4 Socialisation will expand her social inclusion programmes to other areas in Zimbabwe besides the current project in Mutare.

ANBI-certification

At the beginning of 2008 Sport 4 Socialisation received the ANBI-certificate from the Dutch Tax Authorities. This means that Dutch sponsors and supporters can state their financial contribution to Sport 4 Socialisation with their tax return. This way supporting Sport 4 Socialisation has become more attractive for individuals and companies.



Goals

Main goal

To develop, stimulate and support sport related initiatives, which improve the social position of vulnerable groups in Africa. In those initiatives it is not about competitive sports or solely recreational activities, but sport is used as a tool for social inclusion of vulnerable groups like people living with disabilities, street children, HIV-infected people and women. Sport surely contributes to the defensibility of these groups.

Sport is also used as an instrument and platform for education about the worldwide HIV and AIDS-epidemic and disabilities and the social position of people living with disabilities. With these activities behavioural change of the people involved in regard to disabilities and HIV/AIDS will be stimulated.

Sub-goals

- To create and improve worldwide understanding about the social position of vulnerable groups in Africa like children and youth living with disabilities, street children, women and HIV-infected people.
- To create and improve worldwide understanding about the economic hardships of the target groups of Sport 4 Socialisation.
- To raise awareness about the work of Sport 4 Socialisation in Africa in general.
- To raise funds for the projects Sport 4 Socialisation is initiating in Africa through individuals, companies, NGO's, funds and events.
- To link with other organisations within the field of sport and development and in the disability sector.



Why sport as a development tool?

The situation for people living in developing countries is often of a poor standard; especially for the weaker people in the society, who live under very bad circumstances. For those people, sport is a way to leave the daily problems behind for a moment. Participating in sport activities can be a therapeutic way to help the physical, social and mental well-being. This especially counts for disabled people and other vulnerable groups.

Sport can create a situation in which the sportsman can express his or herself, or in which he or she can be involved and can experience and develop his or her own personal abilities. Sports also create the possibility to fight mental problems caused by being neglected and it gives opportunities to strengthen the self-image.

Due to being neglected, vulnerable children like disabled children often live an isolated life in which they do not have any contact with children of their own age. Especially for young children it is important that they belong to a certain group with whom they can identify themselves. Participating in sport activities gives children a chance to interact with peers. It is for this reason that the right of participating in sport activities is stated in the International Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Sport brings people with different backgrounds and knowledge together. Therefore sport is an ideal tool to disseminate information related to disabilities and HIV and AIDS.

By participating in sport activities children learn to stand up for themselves, they learn how to win and how to lose and they learn where their strengths and weakness lie. And after all, sport is just fun!



Projects

Framework

Sport 4 Socialisation develops and initiates projects in Africa for which Sport 4 Socialisation works together with local partners. In Zimbabwe Sport 4 Socialisation is in the process of registering Sport 4 Socialisation Trust Zimbabwe a legal entity under Zimbabwe law. Sport 4 Socialisation Trust Zimbabwe will be responsible for the development and implementation of the programmes in Zimbabwe.

With its projects Sport 4 Socialisation tries to contribute to the realisation of the Millennium Development Goals. Every project touches different Millennium Development Goals, but one goal is complementary for all projects: to eradicate extreme poverty and hunger through empowering beneficiaries and get them out of their social isolation.

Knocking Down Barriers through Leisure and Sport (SIP)

A social inclusion programme for disabled youth and children

Start project: 10 May 2008
End project: Ongoing
Place: Mutare, Zimbabwe

Background

The situation for youth and children living with a disability in Zimbabwe is not different from what is described elsewhere in this report. In Zimbabwe disabilities are related to a curse from the devil or angry ancestors. Often mothers of children with disabilities are left alone with no job, no income and the pressure to take care of their disabled child who needs special attention.

In Zimbabwe disabled youth and children are often institutionalised and completely ignored in community activities. Most youth and children with disabilities do not have any contact with their peers and have no access to education. They live within the small space of their houses and yards, never able to come out and be part of the community. Parents also do not have anyone to talk or to relate to. Parents are left with questions and frustration.

Sport 4 Socialisation has started the Knocking Down Barriers through Sport programme to improve social inclusion of disabled youth and children in Mutare.



Short description of the programme

The social inclusion programme consists of a few different activities:

Leisure & sport sessions

On weekly basis the disabled youth and children take part in integrated leisure & sport sessions on an open community ground or school ground in their own suburb with their able-bodied peers. Together they take part in leisure & sport activities and play games so they learn in a fun way about disabilities and that people with disabilities are exactly the same as able-bodied people. They all learn to understand each other, to work together and to accept one another. For the disabled youth and children this is the first step to full participation in their communities. Until December 2009 389 disabled youth and children have registered for the programme.

Physiotherapy

The disabled children have a monthly therapy session with a physiotherapist who assesses the child and draws up a treatment plan. During the treatment on the ground the parents do get trained in order to be able to continue the exercises at home until the next session.

Education

Sport 4 Socialisation tries to help all disabled youth and children who do not have access to primary or secondary education with payment of school fees and stationary.

Assistive devices, medication and surgeries

A lot of disabled children do not have a wheelchair or a pair of crutches, or they urgently need a correcting surgery. Sport 4 Socialisation mediates for the children and assists with the provision of wheelchairs, crutches, modified shoes, medicines and surgeries.

Parent Support Groups

Parents and guardians of the youth and children with disabilities gather weekly on the community or school ground, while their children take part in the integrated leisure & sport sessions. Parents are supported and guided with accepting their disabled child. They have discussions as a parent group, with facilitators they invite and they have counseling sessions with therapists.



Income Generating Activities

Parents and guardians and disabled youth who finished their secondary education are trained in special projects to raise income in order for them to sustain themselves. In 2009 they have been trained for garden projects, chicken projects and an internal savings and lending programme.

Organisation

Sport 4 Socialisation Trust Zimbabwe is managing and implementing the complete Social Inclusion Programme in Mutare. In 2009 2 fulltime officers were working for the programme in Mutare. Since 2008 the local organisation Mutare-Haarlem Sportleaders (MHS) has been involved in implementing the leisure & sport activities for the youth and children with disabilities. In 2009 13 sportleaders of MHS have been trained by Sport 4 Socialisation and are working voluntary for the programme on a weekly basis.

Beneficiaries

The programme serves 3 groups of beneficiaries:

Youth and children living with a disability

The main target group of the SIP are 260 physically, hearing, mentally and visual impaired youth and children (1 till 30 years) in the suburbs: Chikanga, Sakubva, Dangamvura, Hobhouse and Town of Mutare Urban. By 31st December 2009, 389 disabled youth and children had registered since August 2008. The number of registered youth and children with disabilities increases.

Parents and guardians

Parallel to the activities for the youth and children with disabilities are the parents and guardians of the children who are organised in Parent Support Groups. During their platform sessions they are provided with more information about disabilities, education and counselling which will give them a better understanding of their child and will help to accept and include their child in the family. Parents also receive training in how to practise physiotherapy with their disabled child at home. Furthermore the parents and guardians are trained in different IGP's. By the 31st of December 204 parents / guardians are registered members of the PSG's.

Able-bodied communities

The third group reached by the programme activities are the able-bodied communities in Mutare Urban. People will be educated about disabilities in general with special attention to rule out the idea of witchcraft. On average there are between 50 and 100 able-bodied children who participate weekly with the youth and children with disabilities in the leisure & sport sessions.

Goals

To reach social inclusion of all identified and registered disabled youth and children in Mutare, at least 260 by the end of December 2011, with the aim to provide them with weekly sport-platform sessions to improve social interaction with the result of social inclusion with able-bodied and disabled peers.

There are several other objectives that Sport 4 Socialisation wants to reach with this programme:

- Identify and register disabled youth and children in the 5 suburbs of Mutare and compile a database of all the collected (personal, socio-economical and medical) information within the timeframe of the programme.
- Create a platform where disabled youth and children in their suburb can meet and discuss their problems and share ideas on what needs to be done for and together with them.
- All of the registered disabled youth and children must have access to primary education.
- All of the participating disabled youth and children will take part in Kicking AIDS Out activities for HIV – prevention.
- Focus on the inclusion of girls. At least 45% of all registered and participating disabled youth and children must be girls.

- Provide the disabled youth who have finished school with the information and guidance to start income generating activities and link them to organisations for IGP's.
- Assist the parents with forming support groups and their working committees. In their support groups they are assisted with accepting their disabled child through platform sessions where they have discussions with (professional) facilitators.
- Increase physical mobility and strength of young disabled children by providing them with physiotherapy during the platform sessions. Parents will be trained to continue the therapy at home.
- Counselling for all parents on disability issues by the physiotherapist and occupational therapist.
- Assist the parents and link them with stakeholders to form committees for income generating projects.

Supported activities

- In March 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation in cooperation with Hilltop Deaf Ministries has trained 22 sportleaders of implementing partner organisation MHS in Sign Language in order for them to be able to communicate with the more than 57 hearing impaired children.
- In June, September and November 14 sportleaders of implementing partner organisation MHS took part in the Sign Language Refresher Courses.
- Sport 4 Socialisation has compiled a database of all the registered children which is easily accessible and useful to select necessary information concerning the children and their families. The database contains personal, socio-economical and medical information.
- In 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation organised 245 integrated leisure & sport sessions in 49 weeks. On a weekly basis between 130 and 150 youth and children with disabilities took part in the sessions, while between 50 and 100 able-bodied children took part. While during 2009 over 260 different youth and children with disabilities took part once or more in the integrated leisure & sport sessions.



There has been a change in both the disabled and able-bodied children who are coming on a regular basis. The disabled children for example are more open and free to move around. While in the beginning most of them were shy and afraid to mix with other disabled and able-bodied children they are now talking to each other and mixing with one another.



The disabled children have really become friends and have improved socially. Most youth and children with disabilities also have made physical and mental progress. Thanks to the weekly exercise the children have gained physical strength and some are now able to throw or catch a ball, or run a short distance. While other children are able to concentrate longer during a board game.

- During 2009 the parents support groups in 4 suburbs (Chikanga, Hobhouse, Dangamvura, Sakubva) have been meeting on a weekly basis. They have had meetings with facilitators about different topics affecting themselves or their disabled child, for example: family planning, children's rights, cervix cancer, child abuse, types of disabilities, basic sign language, HIV awareness, housing / accommodation problems, cholera awareness, epilepsy and human rights.

- The members of the 4 Parent Support Groups have taken part in different training sessions for Income Generating Projects. Sport 4 Socialisation has a memorandum of understanding with Environment Africa (EA) in Mutare. EA has trained the members of the Parent Support Groups in gardening (86 members), chickens (35 members), stove (42 members) and summer crops (73 members). EA has trained the members and provided them with the seeds, chickens and stoves. Sport 4 Socialisation does the monthly monitoring and evaluation of the projects while EA does field visit to the individuals at their houses. These projects that the members of the Parent Support Groups are running help them to generate vegetables and eggs for own consumption and, if enough, to sell to generate a small income.



- Sport 4 Socialisation has trained all members of the Parent Support Groups for an International Lending and Savings Programme. In December 2009 42 members of 4 Parent Support Groups received a certificate of successful participation in this programme in 2009.

- In 2010 Sport 4 Socialisation was able to give out 6 wheelchairs to children who previous did not own a wheelchair. Receiving a wheelchair has enabled them to be mobile and for theory parents to move around with them more easy.

- In 2010 Sport 4 Socialisation was able to give out 3 pairs of crutches to children who's crutches were worn out.

- 27 Children with disabilities received physiotherapy on the ground during the integrated leisure & sport sessions while their parent / guardian got trained to continue the exercises at home.



- On Saturday the 23rd of May 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation organised the SIP Festival for all registered youth and children with disabilities in Chikanga. 150 Youth and children with disabilities took part in activities like: knocking down barriers, sitting volleyball, soccer and goal ball. For the group of severe multiple disabled children and the group young disabled children special activities were organised. The 125 participating parents / guardians of the Parent Support Groups helped organising the event by cleaning the venue, the toilets and cooking. During the festival Teen HIV, Environment Africa and Family in Need were present with stands. The SIP Festival was reported on the Zimbabwe Radio. The festival was visited by a number of able-bodied people from the community.
- On Monday the 14th of December Sport 4 Socialisation organised a teambuilding / end of year dinner with the volunteers from MHS and partners from the Ministry of Education, Sport and Culture (MESCS) and the Sport and Recreation Commission (SRC).
- All registered and participating youth and children with disabilities have received a T-shirt as a token of appreciation and as a promotional item for the project.
- On Tuesday the 15th of December 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation organised a cocktail-network meeting for the important stakeholders and (potential) donors in Mutare: Plan Zimbabwe, Mercy Corps, Spar, DNK Consultancy, Sakubva Clinic, City of Mutare, MDC, Round Table Mutare, Dangamvura Primary School and Chengetai Special School. New links and possible funding possibilities were identified and are taken into action in 2010.
- On Wednesday the 16th of December 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation organised a Christmas / Planning and Evaluation meeting with all parents and children participating in the SIP. The meeting was attended by 129 parents / guardians and 119 youth and children living with disabilities. An evaluation of the Parent Support Groups and the leisure & sport sessions for the children were done, plus the planning for 2010.
- In April 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation received the 3rd prize of the Social Responsibility award 2008 for the Social Inclusion Programme. The Zimbabwe National Chamber of Commerce rewarded Sport 4 Socialisation with this award for 'Being creative and innovative in an economic challenging environment.'



In general it can be stated that Sport 4 Socialisation has raised awareness about the SIP and the organisation in the whole of Mutare. People in the communities and NGO's are aware that there is a community project for children with disabilities. Often community members come and have a look at the activities whereby the bad attitudes slowly make place for understanding and support.

Expected results

Short term expectations

- The disabled youth and children to come out of their social isolation and to take part in the integrated leisure & sport sessions.
- Physical, mental and social improvement of the disabled youth and children.
- Parents and guardians of the youth and children with disabilities are organised in Parent Support Groups and are able to have discussion with facilitators.
- Members of the Parent Support Groups to take part in the training and programme for income generating activities.
- Provision of assistive devices, medication and surgeries for disabled youth and children.
- To raise awareness about Sport 4 Socialisation, the SIP, sport for people with disabilities in general and disabilities in specific.

Long term expectations

- Rule out the idea of witchcraft and raise awareness about disabilities in general in order to change behaviour of able-bodied people towards youth and children with disabilities.
- For disabled youth and children to come out of their social isolation and have improved chances to fulfil a complete role in their communities.
- For families to completely accept and include their disabled family member.
- Equal chances on education and job opportunities for youth and children with disabilities.
- Disabled youth and children to communicate on an equal level with their disabled and able-bodied peers.

Millennium development goals

The Knocking Down Barriers through Sport project aims to contribute to some of the 8 millennium development goals. The following goals are targeted with this programme.

- Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger

Through this programme disabled youth and children have a chance to come out of their (social) isolation and take part in community based activities. They have the possibility to expose themselves and this might help to create new opportunities for them. Besides, for a disabled child who only moves in and around the house, taking part in the integrated leisure & sport sessions is a whole new experience. Furthermore disabled youth and all parents are given the opportunity to create a platform where they can discuss the problems they are facing and share their ideas on how to improve the situation. For the parents and the graduated disabled youth it is important to link them with local or international NGO's who can assist them with IGP's in order for them to become self-sustainable.

- Achieve universal primary education

When disabled youth and children register themselves for the programme, their access to education is checked. If children do not have access to primary school, they will be referred to the School Psychological Services in Mutare where the children will be assessed. From there they will be referred to a special school or special unit in Zimbabwe. Once the school has accepted the child, the BEAM project (Zimbabwe Government) should support disabled children with school fees. For secondary education Sport 4 Socialisation can provide partial school fees through Liliane Fonds and link with other organisations like the Swedish Organisation for Individual Relief who could assist with school fees, uniforms and stationary. So far 201 disabled youth and children have access to education, while 90 children do not have access or have

dropped out. 61 disabled youth have already finished their education, 47 are still too young and of 5 children there are no details available.

- Promote gender equality and empower women

This is a very difficult goal, especially in a country where the role of a woman is different from the role of a man. Girls have to help out in the house at all times. Girls and women are vulnerable groups, especially when they are disabled. In all communication it must be clear that girls have the same rights as boys, even when they are disabled. So far out of the 389 registered disabled youth and children, 166 are girls, which is about 43%.

- Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases

HIV prevention through sport is a very important part of this programme. In the past few years it has showed to be a unique method in the fights against HIV/AIDS. Disabled youth and children are very vulnerable when talking about the risk on HIV/AIDS. They do not have access to any information about HIV prevention and most of the times they do not have the power to say 'no' when something bad is happening to them. During the leisure & sport activities as well as in the discussions HIV/AIDS will be of high priority.

The parents and guardians of the disabled youth and children also take part in discussions about HIV/AIDS and other diseases. Currently they take part in discussions with facilitators about cholera and malaria for example. Furthermore they have discussions with facilitators about sexual abuse of their disabled child and how to prevent this.

Project support

Sport 4 Socialisation has supported the SIP in Mutare, Zimbabwe with € 34613.00



Sport 4 Socialisation Field Visit Zimbabwe

Date: 28 February – 6 March 2009

Place: Mutare, Zimbabwe

Background

The situation in Zimbabwe was very hard early 2009 which also affected the activities of Sport 4 Socialisation in certain ways. Two board members of Sport 4 Socialisation in The Netherlands visited Zimbabwe the first week of March in 2009 to get familiar with the political and economical situation in concern with the activities of Sport 4 Socialisation in Zimbabwe.

Goals

For the board members to assess the situation on the ground and to develop a more sustainable way forward for the activities of Sport 4 Socialisation and to visit partner organisations, like MHS, to discuss problems and ideas.

Activities

- Visit of 5 leisure & sport sessions in 5 different suburbs where the board members had a chance to meet with the disabled children and their parents.
- Visit to stakeholders: Nzeve Deaf Centre, ASAP, Sport and Recreation Commission, City of Mutare.
- Meeting with implementing partner MHS and the sportleaders volunteering for the Social Inclusion Programme in Mutare.

Project support

Sport 4 Socialisation has supported this field visit with € 3073.00.



Sport 4 Socialisation Field Visit Kenya

Date: 4-7 July 2009

Place: Nairobi, Kenya

Background

Sport 4 Socialisation was established after an implemented a pilot of the social inclusion programme for children living with disabilities in Kenya. The local organisation in Kenya wanted to discuss future possibilities of cooperation for a sustainable social inclusion programme in the Trans-Nzoia District. Sport 4 Socialisation also visited other possible partners working in the field of adapted activities and social inclusion for children living with disabilities.

Goals

- To get a clear overview of the current situation of partner organisation TYSA and work out possible partnership for implementation of the social inclusion programme in Kenya.
- Visit activities of MYSA who organise sport activities for children living with disabilities in cooperation with APAID.

Activities

- Two meetings with TYSA.
- Meeting with MYSA.

Project support

Sport 4 Socialisation has supported the field trip to Kenya with € 370.00.



Consultancy Visit Mozambique

Date: 27 September – 2 October 2009

Place: Maputo, Mozambique

Background

80% or 560 million people with disabilities in the world live in developing countries such as Mozambique. There, the majority lacks opportunities and faces discrimination. Children with disabilities are often treated as outcast, kept hidden in homes and even thrown out and deserted. Although article 30 of the United Nations (UN) convention on the rights of persons with disabilities (2006) states the right to participate in cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport, only a small percentage of PWD's in Mozambique experiences sports activities.



The KNVB, Respo and APAID invited Sport 4 Socialisation to join the last two organisations on an exploratory field mission to Maputo, the capital of Mozambique.

Goals

- Description of the numbers and situation of people living with a disability.
- Description of government policy for people living with a disability in general and for sport and leisure activities in particular.
- Description of programmes and needs of the most important national disabled people's organisations.
- Summary of leisure and sport programmes for people living with a disability.
- List of possible organisations / projects for practical support.
- Possible partners are selected.
- Development project plan for 2010-2011.

Activities

- Meetings with Dutch Embassy, Handicap International, Committee Paralympic Mozambique, Director of Sport Mozambique Government, Lourdes Mutola Foundation, Rehabilitation Centre and Special School, Orphanage for children with disabilities.
- Organisation of a one day workshop for disabled people's organisations and sport organisations.
- Evaluations and report writing.

Project support

Sport 4 Socialisation has supported the consultancy visit to Maputo in Mozambique and the report and proposal writing with the presence of the project manager.

International Fundraising Conference

Date: 20-23 October 2009

Place: Noordwijkerhout, The Netherlands

Background

The local coordinators of Sport 4 Socialisation Trust Zimbabwe need to be able to fundraise locally and internationally to not be fully dependent on Sport 4 Socialisation in The Netherlands. Therefore Mr. Henry Kane was accepted with a bursary ticket for the International Fundraising Conference (IFC) in Noordwijkerhout in The Netherlands in October 2009.

Goals

For Mr. Henry Kane to learn more about fundraising and how to develop a successful fundraising campaign and to develop innovative ways of fundraising for Sport 4 Socialisation. The IFC is an excellent time to network with different organisations and individuals in the world of fundraising.

Activities

- Four day participation in the conference, including participation in the different workshops.

Project support

Sport 4 Socialisation has supported the participation of Mr. Henry Kane in the IFC with € 1,446.00.



Field Visit Local Coordinator Zimbabwe

Date: 9 to 19 October 2009

Place: Oud Gastel, The Netherlands

Background

Since May 2009 Mr. Henry Kane is working as a coordinator for Sport 4 Socialisation Trust Zimbabwe. He is responsible for the Parent Support Groups of the project in Mutare. Mr. Henry Kane took part in the IFC in Noordwijkerhout in October 2010 and that visit was combined with a visit to the board of Sport 4 Socialisation in The Netherlands.

Goals

The aim of this visit was for Mr. Henry Kane to get familiar with the Dutch board of Sport 4 Socialisation and together with them brainstorm about a more sustainable implementation of the total Social Inclusion Programme. This visit also gave Mr. Henry Kane the chance to meet with (potential) partners and raise awareness about Sport 4 Socialisation and the work in Zimbabwe in specific.

Activities

- Norbertus College Action Day.
- Meeting with Respo International, Citylink Mutare-Haarlem and Stichting Liberty.
- Participated in network meeting Sport and Development Platform.
- Presentation Rotary Steenbergem.
- Visit Special Heroes Project, Arnhem.
- Introduction meeting VHU Europe.
- Participation in IFC.

Project support

Sport 4 Socialisation has supported the field visit to the Sport 4 Socialisation board with € 200.00 in 2009.



Partners

Sport 4 Socialisation believes that working together with other organisations is valid in achieving one another's goals and contributing towards the Millennium Development Goals.

Funding partners

In the period 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation was funded by different Dutch organisations for the projects in Africa.

Johan Cruyff Foundation

The Johan Cruyff Foundation supports the work of Sport 4 Socialisation because of the use of sport as a tool to reach social inclusion of vulnerable groups, mainly children living with disabilities. Since 2008 they support the Social Inclusion Programme for Youth and Children Living with Disabilities in Zimbabwe.

The Social Inclusion Programme in Zimbabwe is supported with € 2000.00 for the project period 2008-2009. Another € 15,000.00 has been agreed upon for the project period 2009-2011.

Impulsis

Impulsis assists people in developing countries and in The Netherlands. People with a vision, a dream of a world without poverty and injustice. People, who try to contribute to a better world, close to home or thousands kilometres away. People who give their time, money and energy for this ideal.

The initiatives supported by Impulsis have the aim to make people self-sustainable. Impulsis believes in the importance of small-scale projects and assist those projects with financial support and advice.

Impulsis has supported Sport 4 Socialisation with the development of the Social Inclusion Programme in Zimbabwe since 2008. In 2009 Impulsis supported the programme with € 17,000.00.

ASN Foundation

The ASN Foundation is a part of the ASN Bank which believes economical growth does not need to harm the environment, nature, vulnerable groups or future generations.

The ASN Foundation has supported Social Inclusion Programme in Zimbabwe in 2009 with € 1,000.00.

Stichting Liberty

Stichting Liberty supported the Parent Support Groups of the Social Inclusion Programme in Mutare, Zimbabwe with a donation of € 6,000.00 of which the last € 600.00 has been received in 2009.

Marthe van Rijswijck Foundation

The Marthe van Rijswijck Foundation has supported the Parent Support Groups of the Social Inclusion Programme in Mutare, Zimbabwe with € 4500.00 received in 2009 for the project period 2010.

Implementing partners

To implement the projects in Africa, Sport 4 Socialisation works closely together with different local partner organisations. The organisations Sport 4 Socialisation worked together with in 2009:

- The Mutare-Haarlem Sportleaders, Zimbabwe
- Environment Africa, Zimbabwe
- Sport and Recreation Commission Zimbabwe
- City of Mutare, Zimbabwe

Networks

Sport 4 Socialisation is a member of the following networks:

- Sport and Development Platform NCDO
- Sportanddevelopment.org
- One World
- NANGO (National Association for Non-Governmental Organisations in Zimbabwe)



Awareness and fundraising in The Netherlands

Introduction

Sport 4 Socialisation has raised awareness about the organisation and the situation and rights of people with disabilities general with a specific focus on Zimbabwe as the current main project country. Sport 4 Socialisation has raised funds through different channels: NGO's, individuals and companies.

For example, Sport 4 Socialisation updates supporters via internet on new media as Twitter and Facebook and gives out digital newsletters to update people about the work of Sport 4 Socialisation in Africa. Furthermore Sport 4 Socialisation holds presentations at Service Clubs and schools and assists in organising fundraising events by 3rd parties.

Raising awareness about Sport 4 Socialisation, the programmes in Africa and the situation and rights of people living with disabilities in Africa and fundraising for the projects are going hand in hand.

Awareness raising

Sport 4 Socialisation raised awareness about the organisation and its work in Africa and about the situation and rights of people living with disabilities through the following methods:

Blog of Sport and Development Advisor on www.sport4socialisation.com

In 2009 only one blog has been published. The blog on www.sport4socialisation.com is protected with a username and a password. Fans can create their own username and password which has to be approved by Sport 4 Socialisation.

Blog published:

2/11/2009 On the ground

Digital newsletters

Sport 4 Socialisation normally sends out quarterly newsletters. In 2009 3 newsletters have been sent to funders, supporters and other interested parties.

Promo video CAN world

In February 2009 American moviemaker Michael Kastenbaum from Story World visited Sport 4 Socialisation in Zimbabwe. He spent 3 days filming project activities and interviewing the local staff and volunteers of Sport 4 Socialisation. In November 2009 CAN published the promotion video of Sport 4 Socialisation on YouTube and gave Sport 4 Socialisation the right to use the video for own use. Since then Sport 4 Socialisation has published the CAN promo video on www.sport4socialisation.com and on the fan-page of Sport 4 Socialisation on www.facebook.com.

Promo video Action Day Norbertus College

In July 2009 The Norbertus College recorded a short promotion-video about Sport 4 Socialisation for the action day on October 12 2009. The Founder of Sport 4 Socialisation was interviewed about the organisation, leaving and working in Zimbabwe and the relation to the school.

Presentation NOC*NSF / International Paralympic Committee

On the 8th of December 2009 the NOC*NSF and the International Paralympic Committee organised a network meeting for Dutch NGO's working in the field of sport for people living with disabilities. Sport 4 Socialisation held a presentation about the work in Africa.

Presentation Round Table Steenbergen

The Founder of Sport 4 Socialisation held a presentation for the members of Round Table Steenbergen in July 2009. The organisation and the social inclusion programme in Zimbabwe were presented. Round Table Steenbergen decided to fundraise for Sport 4 Socialisation in 2010.

Sport and Development Network Meetings

Sport 4 Socialisation is a member of the Sport and Development Platform of the NCDO. They organise meetings on a quarterly basis. Sport 4 Socialisation took part in the last one of 2009 on the 13th of October 2009. Mr. Henry Kane, a local coordinator in Zimbabwe took part as a commentator for the movie: Enjoy Poverty. He was able to reflect on the current situation in Zimbabwe and express the work Sport 4 Socialisation is doing under these current circumstances.

Interview BNdeStem

In October 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation had an interview a regional newspaper BNdeStem about the organisation and the work in Zimbabwe. Two board members and Henry Kane, local coordinator in Zimbabwe, and the founder of Sport 4 Socialisation were interviewed about the work and future plans. The 2-page interview was published end of October 2009.

Werkgroep Sport 't Veerke

Werkgroep Sport 't Veerke celebrated their 25th Jubilee in 2009. During their activities: Vlietloop (300 participants, 1000 supporters) Avondvierdaagse (250 participants, 500 supporters) tri-daagse (30 participants), Youth Triathlon (100 participants, 250 supporters), Triathlon (500 participants, 1500 supporters) and Pekkercross (100 participants, 150 supporters) they raised awareness about Sport 4 Socialisation and their activities in Africa through announcements during the events, posters, flyers and brochures. Sport 4 Socialisation has a link on the website www.tveerke.nl.

Facebook

Members of Facebook can follow Sport 4 Socialisation since October 2009 on Facebook under Sport 4 Socialisation International. The fan-page is regularly updated with photo's and updates on the work. At the end of 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation International had 103 Fans since October 2009.

Twitter

Members of Twitter can follow Sport 4 Socialisation since December 2009 on Twitter under S4Sint.

Fundraising

In 2009 the following fundraising activities were done to raise money for the programmes of Sport 4 Socialisation in Africa.

Nacht van de Fooi 2009

Every year the Nacht van de Fooi is organised in 9 cities in The Netherlands. The aim is to raise awareness about development work in general and about the work of the 8 selected development organisations in General. The participating restaurants and bar donate their tips of that day and night to the selected organisations. In 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation was one of the selected organisations.

In Groningen, Utrecht, Breda and Rotterdam money was raised for the projects of Sport 4 Socialisation in Zimbabwe. In total € 12,441.00 was raised for the projects in Zimbabwe.

Presentation Rotary Steenbergen

Rotary Steenbergen has been following the work of Sport 4 Socialisation in Africa since the start in 2007. During his field visit to The Netherlands the local coordinator in Zimbabwe, Mr. Henry Kane, held a presentation for Rotary Steenbergen in October 2009. The presentation resulted in a donation of 250 Euro's plus another 250 Euro's from a Rotarian. Rotary Steenbergen will try to keep on supporting Sport 4 Socialisation in 2010.

Norbertus College Action Day

The Norbertus College in Roosendaal, The Netherlands celebrated their 90-year jubilee in October 2009. On Monday the 12th of October they organised a fundraising day for Sport 4 Socialisation. Students had to sell raffle tickets and on the day itself students, teachers and volunteers took part in different fundraising activities, while some groups of students were helping out at homes for the elderly. A delegation of Sport 4 Socialisation was present, including Henry Kane from Zimbabwe, to watch the activities and support the students. The Norbertus College raised 15,500.00 Euro's for projects of Sport 4 Socialisation of which 8,891.25 is Sport 4 Socialisation own funding and € 6,108.75 is transferred to Wilde Ganzen for extra funding of 70% on this amount.



Presentation ZLTO

Sport 4 Socialisation held a presentation for the Zuidelijk Land-en Tuinbouw Organisatie (ZLTO), department Steenbergen about the organisation and the work in Zimbabwe. This resulted in a donation of 1,499.45 Euro's.

Fundraising in the business sector

Sport 4 Socialisation received 1,500.00 Euro out of the business sector on 2009.

Fundraising in the private sector

Sport 4 Socialisation received 372.09 Euro from individuals in 2009.

Sport 4 Socialisation in the media

In 2009 S4S was published in the following media:

Internet

Page views website Sport 4 Socialisation 2009 > 13.000

Descriptions of Sport 4 Socialisation and the projects on:
www.sportanddev.org (international platform Sport and Development)
www.oneworld.nl

Newspapers / magazines

September 2009 P! Magazine
October 2009 BNdeStem

	Circulation general	Circulation Mon-Sat	Circulation Sat
BNdeStem regio Roosendaal		58,000	62,000
BNdeStem regio Bergen op Zoom		56,000	60,000
BNdestem regio Etten-Leur		35,000	38,000
Weekkrant Bergen op Zoom	40,950		
Halderbergse Bode	13,500		
Steenbergse Courant	11,492		
P! Magazine	Unknown		

Organisation

Board

Chairperson
Gert Logt
Treasurer
Wanny Haverkamp
Secretary
Bernard De Vugt
Board members
Jos Akkermans
Felix Vriends
Andre Veerman

In 2009 Sport 4 Socialisation was able to attract one extra voluntary board member: Mr. Andre Veerman.

Project manager

The founder of Sport 4 Socialisation is working voluntary in the field. She is responsible for the local planning, support, curriculum development, monitoring and evaluation of the through Sport 4 Socialisation imitated and supported projects in Africa.