EWOI PROGRAMME

DIOCESE OF LODWAR

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Introduction

The report highlights all the programme activities implemented in the period of January to December 2011. In the reporting period, the programme attended to the old and handicapped children through the outlined activities below.

Clients

The programme has an intake of about 165 clients within Lodwar town.
It is still dealing with self-help groups in Lokitaung, Kataboi, Kaikor, Kangatotha, Kalokol, Nasiger, Katilu, Turkwel, Kakuma, Lokichoggio, Lokori, Lorugum, Eliye Spring, Lokichar, Kainuk, Nakwamoru, Kerio and Loarengak with about 1800 old ones getting direct or indirect assistance from the programme.
In Lodwar 12 clients died, and there was an intake of 12 new clients.
10 are still on the waiting list.

Staff

- 1 staff member went for Trainer of Trainees course in Nairobi.
- 1 of the Home visitors resigned in February 2011, and another one was appointed in March 2011 to replace her.
- The contract of the Home visitor who was involved in doing home visits to the handicapped children was not renewed.
- One staff member was involved in doing the office work, i.e. took care of the store, and recorded all the incoming and outgoing items as food, clothes, mats, soap and other materials.
- A day watchman was dismissed in June 2011 and another one was appointed to replace him.
- The contracts for the other 8 staff members were extended; this is because of the good work they did.

During this period:

- **294** people came for special reasons and general assistance
- **288** came for social problems
- **6836** clients came for food assistance. They were given maize/beans, flour, biscuits and
- **3112** others as oil, vegetables, milk, soap, Unimix, biscuits, salt and sometimes sugar and tea.
- **202** were not given any food.

Once a month the office organised a soap day. All clients were invited. They got some food or a drink on the spot and some dry food to take home. They got a piece of soap to keep hygiene.

Home Visits

The home visitation is still a very important component in the programme. This is done by the home visitors who visit the old people and incase of a problem, they report to the office for an action to be taken. The clients appreciate the home visits very much since some of them get only the attention from the home visitor.
The social worker guides the home visitors on how to do the home visits and incase of a complicated problem they go together to solve it with either the relatives or the community.
Total Home visits done during this period were:

Home visitors	4668
Social worker	722

Medical Department

One of the staff members (medical assistant) was responsible for the medical care. She took the sick clients to the hospital or to the nearby dispensary. The home visitors did the follow-up visits to know the progress of the clients. When there was a sick client who could not go to the hospital or the dispensary, a nurse was called to do a home-visit treatment to the sick granny at home. Working on this way was easy and cheaper for the programme.
About the hospital, it is still difficult to exempt the clients but the personnel from the pharmacy and outpatient are co-operating well by giving medicines to the old ones though their policies are changing every time.

Activities of the medical department in this period:

131	clients got treatment in the office
153	referred to hospital
14	clients admitted in the hospital
13	home visits by a nurse to clients who can not walk to health facility
226	home visits-follow-up visits
131	visits to the hospital by the medical assistant.

a) Mobile Clinic

The mobile clinics in Kalokol and Kakwanyang were stopped completely, though we can always assist when there is need and if they will co-operate. However, the mobiles at Nabuin and Nakiriamriamet are going on well. We also started a mobile clinic at Kodopa and Koono after having a talk about the cost-sharing. Kodopa and Nabuin have been having the largest number of old ones and they have been co-operating well and for those who have to cost share, they have been doing so without problems. We re-started also the mobile clinic at Nakiriamriamet after having a meeting with them.

b) Eye Camp

This year the eye camp was held in March in Lodwar District hospital.
A total of 71 clients were screened in the office.
5 clients got successful cataract operations.
6 got treatment with the sun glasses.
2 were afraid of the operations hence refused.
The rest got treatment in the office.

Workshops

The programme continued with workshops on how to care for the old people in and outside the parishes. This was after a positive impact in the parishes.
In this period we did workshops in; Loarengak, Kanamkemer, Kaeris, Kaaleng, Koono, St. Mary's, Kerio, Nabuin/Kodopa, Turkwel, Kalemunyang, Lorugum, Kataboi, Losajait, Lokichoggio, Kakuma, Kangatosa and Ille.

We are still using the funds granted by Centraal Missie Commissariaat (C.M.C), from the Netherlands.

17 workshops were done throughout the diocese and 3 were postponed and 1 done later.
690 members of the SCC attended the work shops.
2-4 Staff members are involved in the workshops.

1 staff member went for training/course on how to facilitate workshops in Nairobi.

Income Generating Project

Until now IGP is not very successful. One staff member (community worker) helped the clients in doing some income generating activities; this was by getting a loan and guiding them on how to do the business. The old ones used the profit for their daily lives, though it became hard for them to do the business well since the prices of commodities hiked.
The community worker has to encourage the clients to make mats, brooms, sticks, collecting firewood etc. though it is never enough to cater for the old ones needs, but it keeps them busy.
Most of the clients are not able to do the income generating activities since they are too old.

Handicapped

The programme is still attending to handicapped cases. It tries to refer them to John Paul II home in Lokichar, but for some cases not fitting in Lokichar i.e. mental and physical handicapped, we try to assist. Up-to date the programme gives attention to 19 handicapped cases. The Liliana Fonds from the Netherlands is sponsoring this activity though the funding is going down and they changed their system of working, it is not so clear about the future

The four home visitors and the social worker are involved in visiting the handicapped cases, to guide and teach the parents on the home based care activities.

The programme organised 3 parents meetings, this was to make the parents share their experiences, problems and hence encourage themselves to give more attention to these children.

It also organised 5 handicapped days, this is where the children came to the office for attention and playing. They got attention on health, special food, cleaning and entertainments. All the staffs are normally involved on this day.

Food

Since there was drought and famine all over, most of the old ones suffered and hence the programme gave out food to the old ones. They also got it during soap day for every month.

The programme gave extra food to the clients with special needs like; those who are taking strong drugs e.g. TB drugs and ARV's and to clients who have to take care of grandchildren (AIDS orphans). Most of the food was bought but we also got food, milk, and unimix from the Diocese and from the Red Cross.

Building houses

The programme was still not involved in the building of the houses, but incase of a special case it can take an action.

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Finance

Ewoi Programme Expenses 2011

Salaries & Wages		1.079,225.00
Transport		
Vehicle	204,103.00	
Bicycles	32,698.00	
Motorbike	6,908.00	
		243,709.00
Operatiol cost		
Food	407,775.00	
Health assistance	9,595.00	
General assistance	229,845.00	
Medicine	126,666.00	
		773,881.00

Office activities			
Office operarion	149,408.00		
Stationary	20,635.00		
Bank charges	8,225.00		
			178,2568.00
Training staff			40,235.00
Workshops SCC			183,345.00
Misc	51,130.00		
Maintenance / repair	9,770.00		
			60,900.00
Total expenses	Kshs		2,559,563.00
Rate: !00 Kshs = 1 Euro		€	€ 25.595,63
Balance Equity			
Balance KCB			

Income 2011

Cost sharing	45,000.00
Income Generating	4,245.00
Friends of Ewoi Netherlands	2,373,612.00
AMA(CMC)	641,500.00
Total income 2011	3.064.357.00

The sustenance of the programme is still depends on well-wishers, small organisations and friends of the Ewoi programme. From the Netherlands, organised by Annie Janssen, the former coordinator.

The programme is still looking for a long term sponsor, but until now we were able to run the programme financially.



Activities

- Provision of food especially since there was hunger everywhere.
- Attended the four areas with the mobile clinics that is; Nayuu, Nabuin, Kodopa and Koono.
- A total of 8 meetings were organised 3 meetings for the parents with their children and 5 times a day for the handicapped children.
- The 4 Home visitors are visiting the old and the handicapped children in all the four villages regularly.
- 1 Staff member attended a workshop on Community Based Rehabilitation on Disability organised by John Paul the 11 Home in Lokichar.
- Celebrated International day for the old at Kaaleng
- Celebrated Christmas days at Kerio and Lodwar.
- Did 2 Board Meetings.
- The programme organised 2 workshops for the staff.
- Regularly the programme kept in contact with; The Chancellor of the Diocese, Parish priests and Catechists, Chiefs, Social service, Hospital, Liliana Fonds, HelpAge, Dispensaries, WFP, Police, Justice and Peace, Children's officer and other public organisations.

Planning

- Continue the current activities
- Keeping in contact with members of the SCC all over the diocese
- Reopening and starting new mobile clinics
- Celebrating Christmas days for the clients
- More attention to income generating projects
- Give change to staff members to attend courses.
- Organise more workshops in and out of the Diocese.
- Organising more handicapped days and parents meetings.
- Organising an outing for the staff.
- Organising more workshops to upgrade the staff.

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