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C.E.O Statement

Ladies and gentlemen, as the last quarter of the year begins Omega Foundation (OF) has heightened efforts towards sustaining its activities and strengthening partnerships. one bold approach is to diversify funding sources. A total of 8 proposals pursued singly and through consortia have been drawn targeting core areas that OF implements.

Our projects have progressed well; we just finalized the Comic Relief funded annual report for social care for OVC, PLWH and widows project; child services projects(KOP is on course and our new USAID-funded project IMARISHA is counting its third month of mentorship and technical assistance targeting increasing OFs institutional

capacity to become a leader in implementing community health programs. Although our operations have improved tremendously (we learn from our mistakes) we still face a few challenges which we strive to overcome.

Happy Reading,
WILFRED OWUOR, CEO.

NOWA CALLS FOR OVC SITDOWN

NOWA Moyie a CBO affiliated to Omega Foundation recently held a meeting to review the educational performance and psychosocial status of the OVC its supports. The performance analysis showed a slight improvement . A counseling session was also conducted and about 4 students gained from it.

also given and guardians reminded of their role in the lives of these children. A total of 22 OVC and 18 guardians attended the meeting.

Elsewhere Nowa Moyie also took part in the World Breastfeeding Week on the August 8th 2012.



An OVC committee member at the meeting

Lessons on stigma and discrimination faced by the OVC were

USAID HOLDS CONFERENCE

Omega Foundation recently took part in the USAID Pre- application Conference held at the US Embassy in Nairobi. The conference brought together over 15 CSOs-in stage 2-pursuing funding from USAID to implement a comprehensive OVC care and support in Nyanza and Rift Valley provinces through local organizations(RFA#615-12-000004)

conference covered presentation of attractive bids and clarified questions on the application process.

Emphasis was laid on the importance of working with APHIA Plus projects and the need to implement within the Kenya National Plan of action for OVC and the Kenya Quality Services Standards for OVC .

The concept complementarity for sustainability and the need for clear exit strategy were reiterated.

Omega Foundation is bidding this RFA in partnership with Mildmay International.





KOP and Ombeyi Pri. School staff at the launch

Omega Foundation at Health-Start launch

Omega Foundation (OF) recently took part in the launch of Health-Start, a comprehensive school feeding project implemented by Ogra Foundation and funded by Kenya Orphan Project (KOP). OF sort to learn from this pilot project that will significantly contribute towards enhancing the quality of health in the pilot schools communities by creating a healthy and child-friendly environment for teaching and

learning.

Health-Start ,a comprehensive programmatic approach to school health and nutrition will addresses multiple health and nutrition needs of children in a more holistic way within the primary school setting than vertical program approaches. It is designed to provide the best health and educational overcomes possible for children from the start using evidence-based health and nutrition in-

terventions within a framework that considers health policy, sanitation and water, skill-based education, specific health and nutrition services. Rabuor and Ombeyi primary schools have been selected for this program.

KOP will also work with OF to ensure sustainability at the Kochogo Feeding Centre and comprehensive school health and feeding program at Kunya Primary School.

August Snapshots

Those who can do, do. Those who can do more, volunteer. -Unknown



New Board of Trustee Members Appointed



Geoffrey D.O Yogo is a practicing lawyer with over 13 years experience in conveyance and majorly commercial litigation. He is a member of the Law Society of Kenya, the East African Law Society, and Commonwealth Lawyers Association. He has worked both with communities and institutions to promote access to justice, volunteering and providing pro-bono services at Kituo Cha Sheria (Legal Aid Centre). He joined Omega Foundation Board in July 2012 and is currently serving as a Board member.

Nora Ochieng' represents the interests of youth beneficiaries that Omega Foundation supports. The representation of this special constituency is crucial for sustaining our work and therefore necessarily required consideration at the board level. She joined Omega Foundation Board in July 2012 and is currently serving as a Board member. She also represents beneficiary OVC on Omega Board.

Q: What do organization's boards, directors, shepherds and watchmen have in common?

A: Stewardship

