



Report on

## Kamakonde Community, Zambia

October to December 2018

HANDS AT WORK IN AFRICA in partnership with Peppercorn

## **Updates**

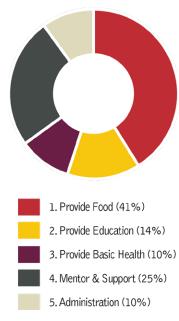
KAMAKONDE COMMUNITY BASED ORGANISATION

Children currently supported: 100

The local Hands at Work team in Kitwe welcomed several new Care Workers from a local church in Kamakonde who have a desire to serve the most vulnerable children in their community. Going into 2019, they are committed to spending time with the new Care Workers; encouraging them as they grow in their understanding of serving the most vulnerable.

At the end of 2018, there were 21 primary school children who received new school uniforms and 5 secondary school children who were given backpacks by a local church.

2018 Spending on Objectives





When Care Workers from Dorcus Community Based Organisation (CBO) were out doing Holy Home Visits in Kamakonde in 2016, they found Alick\* living with his mother, Charity\*, and five other siblings. Immediately, they saw his severe malnourishment and knew that they needed to act quickly to save his life. Alick was brought to the Care Point where he began receiving a hot and nutritious meal each day and basic support with education and health care needs. The Care Workers spend time with Alick and his family, and have understood how they came to be one of the most vulnerable families living in Kamakonde.

In 2014, Alick's father passed away. While he was alive, he had been physically and emotionally abusive. In the hopes of creating a safe environment for herself and her children, Charity left her husband and remarried in 2015. Sadly, her new husband also mistreated them. The children would frequently take refuge at the Care Point because they were fearful of their mother's new husband. Charity

got pregnant and gave birth to another baby boy. While her baby was only four months old, Charity's husband left the family and they have not seen him since.

Charity leaves Alick and his younger siblings in the care of the older siblings while she goes out looking for any small jobs within the community in an attempt to provide for her children. Currently, the family does not have a permanent home and regularly moves from house to house.

When Alick started coming to the Care Point, he was quiet and withdrawn. But today, Alick is five years old and has grown in his ability to interact with others. Alick is visited in his home by his Care Worker, Bertha, who brings the love and hope of Christ to not only Alick, but the entire family.

Through the positive influence of the Care Worker's visits, Charity and her family have started attending a local church in their community, whose pastor actively supports Dorcus CBO, bringing additional support and encouragement.

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