



Grantee Progress Report

Organization Name:	JANNA THE ALTH FOUNDATION	Date of Report: 7 th November, 2016	NOVEMBER 2016
Project Name:	FOSTER CARE	Reporting Period: 1 st to 30 th November, 2016	October- November
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1. Introduction

Provide a brief overview project (political and the social context of project implementation) and objectives achieved in the Month under review.

The purpose for the project is to facilitate protection and shelter for children orphaned or separated by terrorism in Adamawa State through foster and kingship care with the view to provide shelter for 150 children orphaned by terrorism in Adamawa State.

The objectives set for the month under review are to sensitize the community and to seek support and collaboration from the stakeholders both at State and LGA level.

2. Plans for the Reporting Period

Outline the plans and the targets for the Month under review.

Outline of plans for the reporting period (November, 2016)

- Identify 75 Foster Parents (FP) in Maiha Local Government Area (LGA)
- Register 75 foster parents in Maiha LGA
- Identify 150 orphaned children in Maiha LGA
- Register 150 orphans in Maiha LGA

3. Major Activities and Accomplishments in this Reporting Period

Describe the **activities** conducted during this reporting period, including the **targets** you have achieved.

S/N	Activities Implemented	Detailed Description of Activities	Targets Achieved	Remarks/Comments
1.	Identify 75 foster parents in Maiha LGA	On the 9 th November, JHF was able to identify 75 foster parents and 150 orphaned children with the help of the CPC. A meeting was held at the LGA council chamber to facilitate this activity	75 Foster parents and 150 orphaned children identified	A good collaborative effort by key stakeholders was observed during this activity
2.	Register 75 foster parents and 150 orphans in Maiha LGA	The registration of indentified foster parents and orphans was done in 2 batches because of the distance between wards; 3 wards converged at the District head palace in Belel while the remaining 7 wards converged at the Maiha LGA Council chambers	75 Foster parents and 150 orphaned children registered	
3	Meeting With CPC, Social Workers and foster parent	A meeting was held with the indentified foster parent, the CPC and the social workers which focused on emphasizing the roles of FPs, CPC, and the Social workers	Roles of FPs, CPC and the Social Workers emphasized and understood	The understanding of individual roles and responsibilities by the FPs, CPC and Social Workers would facilitate a more effective intervention in the Foster Care Project

4. Analysis

On the 9th November the project team visited Maiha community with the objectives to meet with the FPs, CPC and the Social Workers to sensitize them on their roles. The LGA, Communities and key stakeholders were supportive and thankful for the Foster Care intervention

The District Head urged the FPs, CPC and social workers not to compromise their identified roles in order to ensure success of the project. During the discussion at the end of the various presentations, questions were asked by various stakeholders and clarifications were provided by the JHF staff.

From the 29th November to 1st December 2016, the Project Team set out to Maiha LGA for the bio-data registration of the orphans and the FPs. The activity was carried out in 2 centers:

Day 1:

The activity was conducted at:

- District Head's Palace, Belel where the following wards converged:
 - Sarau
 - Belel
 - Kongol

The registration started from 10.30.am and ended the next day in the afternoon

Day 2:

The activity was conducted at:

- Maiha LGA Council Chambers where the following wards converged:
 - Sarau B
 - Humbutudi
 - Pakka
 - Tambajam
 - Mayo Guli
 - Maiha gari
 - Manjekin

Registration started at 8:00am and went on for the next 2 days. Registration ended on the 4th December, 2016.

Describe planned activities that you were **not** able to implement and targets that were **not** met

S/N	Activities Implemented	Detailed Description of the Reasons for Non-Implementation	Targets Planned	Intended Future Actions
1	None	None		

4.1 Successes

Describe successes this period and the factors that contributed to your success.

Describe innovations or potential best practices that could be shared with other implementing groups.

S/N	List of Successes (Give details and reasons why they are successes)
1	Meeting with all the District Heads of Maiha LGA, Local Govt. Vice Chairman, Secretary, Clerics, Executive Secretary PHA, former State commissioner for Agriculture and various community leaders. This success can be attributed to the Project Team's early engagement with key stakeholders and the community structures
2	Highly efficient and reliable CPC and Social Workers formed as a result of effective engagement of key stakeholders in the LGA by the Project Team

3	The ease with which the Project Team meets with key stakeholders including the foster parents and orphans. This is also as a result of the effective stakeholder engagement
4	The project team was able to verify the foster parent as required by the implementation guidelines
5	The Project Team was able to reach the actual beneficiaries as a result of the effectiveness of the CPC

2. Challenges/Emerging Issues

Discuss obstacles to implementing activities and achieving planned results (e.g. obstacles related to technical, managerial, financial, political or other constraints). Describe actions taken (how you attempted to overcome these obstacles and whether your efforts were successful) and actions required if the obstacle has not yet been overcome. Also discuss something you haven't thought about, but need to, some issues you already know, but is changing.

There were no challenges experienced. The Project Team was able to organize and plan this activity learning from other partners challenges and safeguarding against same during the intervention. This informed the decision to break into 2 groups during this activity

3. Lessons Learnt and Recommendations

Describe lessons you have learned and recommendations you have to report, particularly around new strategies, approaches, or activities you implemented this quarter, and the outcomes of those efforts.

The lessons learnt are as follows:

- The importance of effective community engagement contributed immensely to the success of the implementation of the Foster Care project in Maiha LGA
- The people of Maiha LGA were organized and welcomed this intervention [foster care] which was unique in the sense that fathers would be provided for the fatherless
- The proactiveness of the Project Team also contributed to the success of the interventions

Recommendations:

- There is need for such projects to ensure that stakeholders are carefully identified through a detailed stakeholder analysis
- There is need for the Project Team to share information with identified stakeholder in order to ensure good understanding of the intervention
- The Project Team should also ensure that qualified and experienced Social Workers are engaged in order to address psycho-social issues that are prevalent among the targeted orphaned children
- There is need for the Project Team to ensure good linkage of the project with functional Health Facilities in the area of intervention

5. Plans for Next Reporting Period

Briefly describe plans for the next period under your agreement

The Plans for next reporting period are:

- Train caregivers on efficient functioning of foster parenting
- Conduct weekly monitoring visits
- Provide family based psychosocial support
- Present stipends to Foster Parents
- Produce and disseminate the progress report for the month under review.

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Pictorial Presentation of Activities Conducted in November, 2016



Biometric capture ongoing in one of the centers



Project Team, District Head with identified Orphans



Meeting of Project Team with CPC



Meeting of Foster Parents with the Project Team

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