

Friends Women's Association

AUGUST 2021 Report

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COVID-19 AND NTASEKA CLINIC

In the month August 2021, Friends Women's Association has continued to apply Covid-19 restrictions at Ntaseka Clinic for both the staff and the beneficiaries' protection.

Under the support of Segal Family Foundation, there was capacity building for three people from FWA on Sage Sari software. Participants were FWA accountants. A consultant, BUTOYI Esperance was hired to run a ten-day training on the software.

ACTIVITIES

Caring for HIV Positive People (CHIVPP)

In the month of August 2021, medical follow up and home visits were done for our HIV positive people.

Maternity Ward Building

In the month of August 2021, with the support from the Global Giving Foundation, we have built creeping stairs connecting the first floor to the second floor.

Improving Women's Reproductive Health (IWRH)

FWA community health workers and FWA staff have continued to educate men, women and young people on the importance of family planning.

Rape Survivors' Support (RSS)

In the month of August 2021, three activities were done about this program: one trauma healing on August 11-13, 2021, the creation and the supervision of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and income generating activities.

"When I was 14 years old, my father died in my hands. I went to live with my aunt, but her husband mistreated me so much that he wanted to rape me. Then, I got married too early to escape that kind of life. It was after that I found out that my husband had epilepsy. He beat me with big wires that we use for electrical installation. He was beating on my bodily parts that were invisible to everyone. I was living with this grief. Even my kids didn't know that their dad was beating me. One day, I asked my son who was studying in 10th grade to come home very early. When he arrived at home, he discovered his father with a machete on me wanting to slit me. He was surprised because he didn't think it could happen because I had always hidden my pain. It was my son who saved my life that day. Because of the difficult life, my daughter also got married too early. She divorced after having two children. We live together today. In 2015 during the crisis, my husband left the house and he did not come back. We do not know whether he was swept away by epilepsy or the political crisis. No news from him so far. At the moment we are trying to survive with my children. With this training, I will avoid negative thoughts and collaborate with my children (whom I trust) to move forward."

The SHGs members have continued to meet once a week. At the end of August 2021, we had a total of 145 SHGs in Kamenge, Bujumbura Mairie province for a total of 3438 women and 25 SHGs for 613 women in Nyabiraba commune, Bujumbura province.

About income generating activities, the handmade baskets project by young girls has continued at FWA office. Two SHGs in Nyabiraba have continued the Growing Potatoes project.

ACTION ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (AGBV)

In the month of August 2021, follow up of the GBV accompanists who attended the last three-day retreat was done. Actually, FWA is going to collect their written reports in the month of September 2021 for evaluation.

MEDICAL TEAM

CONSULTATIONS

Our medical doctors consulted with 150 cases, including 69 adults (18 men and 51 women), 19 children (10 boys and 9 girls), 47 HIV positive people and 15 pregnant women for ultrasound. The nurse received 188 patients including 141 adults and 47 children.

LABORATORY

In August 2021, apart from HIV voluntary testing, there were a total of 226 tests.

Test	Test completed	Positive	Negative
G.E. Malaria test	64	16	48
Quick malaria test	40	11	29
ECBU Urine test	8	7	1
Selles Stool test	9	8	1
Pregnancy	36	11	25
Sero-widal Typhoid fever	33	25	8
Glycémie Diabetes	9	6	3
RPR VDRL (Syphilis)	11	0	11
Complete Blood Count	9	4	5
Hepatitis B	3	0	3
Hepatitis C	3	0	3
	11	0	11

Viral Load			
Total Tests: 226			

FAMILY PLANNING

387 people received contraceptives from FWA's nurse, including 244 old cases and 143 new ones. 297 received the contraceptive injection, 68 were given pills, 12 received male condoms, two received female condoms at Ntaseka clinic, 1 received UID and 7 received implants

PRENATAL CONSULTATION (PNC)

In the month of August 2021, 34 women came for prenatal consultation (PNC), including 11 who came for PNC 1, 12 for PNC 2 and 8 for PNC 3 and 3 for PNC 4.
15 pregnant women came for the ultrasound test.

ANTI-RETROVIRAL SITE

At the end of August 2021, we had 330 patients under retro drugs followed at NTASEKA clinic, including 267 women and 63 men.

PHARMACY

Regarding medications, FWA was able to purchase the minimum needed medicine.

PSYCHOSOCIAL TEAM

In the month of August 2021, there was shortage of the screening kits. So, only 13 people received pre and post HIV test counselling and were tested for HIV. Out of the total number, 92% were women and no one was detected HIV positive with 0% of seropositivity.

Total Number of People Tested:	13
Total Number of Women Tested:	12
% of People Tested Who Are Women:	92%
Average Age:	26
Median Age:	28
Total HIV+ :	0
Total HIV- :	13
Number of Women HIV+ :	0
Total % Seropositivity:	0%
% of Women Tested Who Are HIV+:	0%

PICTURES

1. MATERNITY WARD

Creeping stairs connecting the first floor to the second floor were built









2. RSS PHOTOS

A three-day workshop



The Growing Potatoes Project in Nyabiraba



Rice Project Third Harvest





Capacity Building on Sage Sari Software



