

Inuka Community-Based Orphans and Vulnerable Children Project (ICOP)



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David is the guardian of his nephew, Wellington Wanga, who was orphaned when David's sister died of AIDS. Thanks to a community effort to support the children orphaned by AIDS, Wellington has been able to excel in school. He received a 350 (out of a possible 400) on his Class 8 (KCPE) National Exams.

Funding: \$2.1 Million

Duration: June 2013 – 2018

Activity Locations: Siaya County, Bondo and Rarieda Districts

Implementing Partner:
Ananda Marga Universal Relief Team, local organizations, community members and businesses

Key Partners:
Government of Kenya Ministries, including the Ministries of Labor, Social Security and Services, Health, Education, Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries

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U.S. PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES

- Global Health Initiative
- President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief



ACTIVITY OVERVIEW

Inuka Community-based OVC project (ICOP) improve the overall wellbeing of 11,000 orphans and vulnerable children living in 4,150 households in Bondo and Rarieda Sub-counties of Siaya County. The project conducts household visits, home-based care and household economic strengthening to support orphans and vulnerable children and the families with whom they live.

Funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the project aims to expand service coverage by working with partners from non-governmental, faith and community-based organizations and relevant Government of Kenya Ministries, including the Ministries of Labor, Social Security and Services, Health, Education, Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries.

The project also strengthens local community-based organizations so that they are better able to conduct needs assessments, make referrals and provide direct services for orphans and vulnerable children in their community.

ACTIVITY GOALS

- Provide comprehensive support to 11,000 orphans and vulnerable children
- Build capacity of 3,000 orphans and vulnerable children caregivers through direct, home-based and effective referral services
- Enhance the capacity of local communities to deliver sustainable, quality, high-impact services to orphans and vulnerable children

ACTIVITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS (April - June 2015)

- 13,287 beneficiaries visited at home
- 3,080 OVC visited in schools
- 1,027 OVC received birth certificates
- Established 2,022 kitchen gardens
- 512 people received parenting training
- 243 caregivers given sheep and goats via the "Mbuzi moja" initiative