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Makumbi Children's Home Report

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1.Executive Summary

Makumbi Children's Home is located 46 kilometers northeast of Harare at Makumbi Mission in Domboshava. It stands as a critical pillar of child welfare and protection operating as one of the Jesuit Social Apostolates. It provides institutional care for orphaned, abandoned and vulnerable children. It is rooted in Jesuit principles that emphasize conscience, commitment and being 'people for others' where dedicated caregivers serve as housemothers to the children.

We want to thank Sustainable Living Foundation for the incredible and unwavering financial support for the Children at Makumbi Children's Home

since 2000, ensuring their basic needs are met. Through your support, the Home has continued to serve as a vital sanctuary of healing, nutrition and empowerment for the orphaned and vulnerable children at Makumbi Children's Home.

As Sustainable Living Foundation, with the guidance of Mr. Bill Clark prepare to launch your upcoming fundraising campaign, this report provides a comprehensive overview of the tangible impacts your contributions have achieved in uplifting the lives of the children at the home. Together we are breaking the cycle of vulnerability and poverty and equipping the next generation to better self-sustain themselves.

2.Makumbi Children's Home Demographics

Age	**Boys**	**Girls**	**Total**	**Remarks**
0-5 Years	2	0	2	1 in ECD
6-10 Years	0	1	1	11 in Primary
11-15 Years	8	7	15	School
16-20 Years	6	3	9	16 in High School
Total	16	11	27	2 living with cerebral palsy, one with severe allergies.

3.Key Impact Milestones Brought About by Your Support

3.1Holistic Care and Safety

Makumbi Children's Home strives to maintain a secure, stigma free, 'home away from home' environment for the children. Your funds provided stable shelter, clean water, medical access and emotional healing through dedicated care givers and overall social support from various departments.

3.2Education and Skill Building

There is consistent enrolment for all school aged children. Funds were utilized for school fees payment, textbooks, uniforms and food.

3.3Core Sustainability Seeded

Long term self-reliance is embodied in the curriculum and has been an ongoing process.

Below are the children with visitors from church



4.Funds Utilization

Funds received from Sustainable Living Foundation have been used for:

1. Educational Support
2. Nutrition and health
3. House maintenance
4. School Educational Trips
5. Vehicle maintenance

5.Various Activities Carried out by The Children and their Care Givers

5.1 Educational Trip to Nyanga (Visitation Makumbi High School)



Makumbi Children's Home candidates were fortunate enough undertake an educational trip to Nyanga organized by Visitation Makumbi High School. The children expressed great excitement and appreciation for the opportunity. Such trips are important as they broaden the children's knowledge and give them exposure to different environments beyond the Home.

5.2 Sport Representation at National Level



One of the Home's primary children, Privilege Chihuri, was selected to represent Makumbi primary School at national level in soccer. Privilege attended a two-week camping Marondera and Mutare in preparation for the national competitions. His team performed very well and came third. The Home congratulated Privilege for his outstanding performance. Such achievements boost the child's confidence and serves as motivation to other children that with hard work they can excel.

5.3 Under 17 Best Soccer Player




HIGH SCHUUL
UNDER 17
NATIONAL LIST
1. DNIAS MUSANDI
2. WESLEY ZIMUTO
3 TENDAI MUKUTIRWA
4 TAKUNDA GUVIRA
5 RAPHEL KAVIYA (C)
6 DAVIES NHLANGA
8. BLESSED ZOGWA
9 WESLEY MANDAZA
10 NGONIDZASHE CHANGUNDA
11. TADIWA ZENDA
12 PASSION KUPARA
13 TANATSWA SIBINDI



Onias Musandi, above, was selected to be part of the Volleyball team representing Zimbabwe at the COSASA Games. The Home managed to acquire a passport for Onias to enable him to travel and participate in the upcoming international games.

5.4Visitation Makumbi High School Prize Giving Day



Martin and Anesu, from the home received awards as best volleyball players at Visitation Makumbi High School. The achievement showcases talent, discipline and holistic child development.

5.5 Best Sociology Student



Tatenda received a prize for being the best student in Sociology at Visitation Makumbi High School Prize Giving Day. This shows hard work and determination from the children of Makumbi Children's Home.

5.6 Visitation Makumbi High School Prefects Inauguration



The Home is proud to celebrate a major achievement, Tapiwa from Makumbi Children's Home was officially inaugurated as a prefect at Visitation Makumbi High School for 2026-2027. This recognition is a testament to discipline, good character, academic commitment and leadership qualities nurtured at the Home.

5.7 Primary School Boys Soccer



One of Makumbi Children's Home kids, Privilege Chihuri, who is in primary school was selected as one of the best soccer players in the school's team. Hence, Privilege was selected to represent the National Soccer Team.

5.8 Arch Bishop. Robert Christopher Ndlovu, Confirmation Mass at Makumbi Mission is shown below with some of the children from the Home.



5.9 Holy Childhood Missionaries



5.10 Child Safeguarding Workshop



A child safeguarding workshop was conducted at Makumbi Children's Home, bringing together the Jesuits Safeguarding Officer, Theresa P. Sanyatwe, the caregivers and the Matron of Makumbi Children's Home. The workshop was focused on strengthening child protection, safe caregiving practices and adherence to safeguarding policies and procedures. Caregivers were actively engaged and equipped with knowledge on identifying, preventing and responding to child safeguarding concerns. The session was interactive and informative, providing a safe, protective and nurturing environment for the children at Makumbi Children's Home.

5.11 Special supper



A special supper was held with children on the evening before schools open for third term in September 2026. The evening was filled with joy and fellowship as the children shared a meal together in the main hall. It was also a moment of encouragement and bonding, where the children were motivated to work hard in the coming term. The children's atmosphere was lively, with some children entertaining others, reflecting happiness at the Home

5.12 Children Enjoying Breakfast inside one of the houses



5.13 Children playing football at Children's home during leisure time for fitness



5.14 Below is one of the four houses where the children live.



5.15 Below is the kitchen of one of the four houses where the children live



5.1. Fund Requirements

Remainder of 2026 : October-December	2027 January-December
1. Setting up a dedicated workstation equipped with Laptops and printers for educational purposes. 2. Festive Season Nutrition and Clothing: This will ensure the children will celebrate the end of the year with special meals at Christmas and new clothes. 3. Early childhood essentials: The two under 5's will receive specialized nutrition, clothing and early development toys. 4. Specialist treatment for 2 of our children living with cerebral palsy and one who suffers from severe allergies.	1. Festive Season goodies for the children 2. Safeguarding workshops 3. Balanced Nutrition 4. School Uniforms 5. School shoes 6. Casual clothes 7. Staff training on care plans and other essential skills 8. Educational and cultural trips 9. Joint Government-Compliance Projects: Structural adjustments to facilities to stay closely aligned with evolving infrastructure and care standards set by the Ministry of Social Welfare. 10. Specialist treatment. 11. Borehole drilling and fitting for water supply.

6. Conclusion

Overall, Makumbi Children's Home has successfully integrated institutional care with holistic child development, blending formal schooling with robust spiritual guidance and psychosocial support. Sustainable Living Foundation has ensured that the home continues to provide a safe haven and prepare its residents for a dignified adulthood, through its dedicated support spanning 26 years. This has enabled Makumbi Children's Home to continue providing far more than basic shelter. It has created a structured environment where abandoned children can reclaim their identity and sense of belonging.

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