

Mathare Foundation

Newsletter



Raising Voices Sports Photo Exhibition

The Raising Voices is a photography project of Mathare Foundation, which is supported by the French Embassy in Nairobi. The objective of this project is to reduce radicalization of the youth through photography workshops and photo exhibitions. .

During exhibition our thematic focus was sports photography. This was arrived at, after discussions with Alliance Française (AF). The different sports were; basketball, football, cricket and volleyball.

The launch of the exhibition took place on 24 August at AF it was attended by H.E. British High Commissioner Nic Hailey and Claire Baudoux -Program Officer, Social Development-French Embassy.

With the great support from the Alliance Française, French Embassy, British High Commission and Alliance of Slum Media Organization (ASMO) and Africalia we were able to pull out an excellent event.

The young budding photographers captured spectacular images that were impressive and some were sold during the exhibition.

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Segal Family Foundation visits Mathare Foundation

Segal Family Foundation paid Mathare Foundation a courtesy visit to see the work that we are doing at the Mathare Foundation and possibly collaborate with us on a project. Mr. Gidibo Tindwa, the Staff in charge of Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania was the SFF representative that came to Mathare Foundation. We had a schedule for his visit and during the visit we were able to inform him about the history of the Mathare Foundation, our activities and some of our success stories.

Mr. Gidibo Tindwa was taken through different activities that Mathare foundation engages the children and youths. He saw some of the photos that were taken by the children. The photos that really told silent stories of the slums impressed him. He was also briefed about our performing arts and football activities.

Mathare Foundation volunteers and Mr. Gidibo Tindwa had a slum tour. On the Tour, the discussions were way ahead on how the progress of different independent projects propel successful and its impact to the demographic.

We had a visit to nearby school Hope International Compassion where our members go to school. The interaction was awesome and amazing as the Head-teacher applauded the activities at Mathare Foundation



Felistars Oyolo- New Chairperson/A New Dawn

The young people/trainees of Mathare Foundation in elected their leaders. The vigorous election was conducted to elect the chairperson, the Secretary and their deputies.

The election was well conducted and the new elected leaders took oath to their dockets and responsibilities. Felistars Oyolo is the chairperson and her counter-part Kelcy Nyaga, the Secretary. Their Deputies are John Tabu who is Deputy-chairperson and Deputy-secretary Florence Achieng .



Nett Consultants Audit The Raising voices Project



The Nett Consultants on behalf of the French Embassy came to audit The Raising Voices project of Mathare Foundation.

The Audit involved analysing the out-come spectacles from the project as they preferably considered a case study with the beneficiaries of Project, The Area Chief office and community members.

During the session the Nett Consultant had opportunity to meet with the Project Manager, Eric Omwanda Nehemiah and James Ndung'u, treasurer. There was great feedback form both sides as there was a learning opportunity from the project as it to expand its boundaries to create new Niche for the Children and Youth who were beneficiaries of the Raising voices Project.

Nett Consultant applauded that the Raising Voices was way far to par as compared to other projects they had visited. There was credibility and sustainable goals in the project. Also, there was commitment of children, the trainers and also the community stakeholders who were involved.

Joshua Co-Founder of –Balloon ventures donates Jerseys to Mathare Foundation Sports Team

Joshua who is the co-founder of Balloon Ventures donated Jersey particularly Arsenal Uniforms.

The team Coaches Sharon and James together with teams' captains participated in the delegating the jersey to team –mates during the normal training session at MCEDO grounds.

There was a group photo with teams in different category with their coaches.

The Captains and Coaches of the team send a Thank you message to Joshua for the donation of the Jersey to Mathare Foundation.



Commonwealth Deputy Secretary General Visits Mathare Foundation

We were humbled to host the Deputy Secretary General of the Commonwealth Dr. Josephine Ojiambo on the 12th of July. She came along with her daughter Vera Ojiambo and Christine Juma her niece. This was one of kind experience for us.

During his visit we were able to debriefed her on our activities and share our experiences in hosting the 1st Edition of the Peter Ojiambo Young Leaders Cup. Sharon Aluoch one of our football coaches took the initiative of explaining about our sports program.

Dr. Josephine Ojiambo gave a very emotional talk during her visit about her son- Peter Ojiambo whose home call happened in December 2015.



The commonwealth Deputy Secretary General Dr. Josephine Ojiambo receives a photo gift from Vivian Akinyi from Mathare Foundation.

It was agreed that we start planning for this year's event early enough so that we can be able to mobilize the required resources. Sharon Aluoch will work closely with Christine Juma with the support from Mathare Foundation and The Peter Ojiambo Foundation. The event will take place in the month of December 2017.

Design Challenge At YALI-East Africa Centre

Mathare Foundation had an opportunity to attend Design Challenge with participants from YALI centre at Kenyatta University.

On the invitation, the Mathare Foundation volunteers were assemble to be panellists on numerous ideas as to in assistance on basis to increase the number girls in our sports program and also funding mix in the project.

Charles Warria, who is Monitoring Evaluation Director at YALI centre was touched by Mathare Foundation Projects since its Commencement in Mathare Slums and impact to the community. Since then He has been part and also participates directly in the Mathare Foundation activities.



ALL ROADS LED TO NAIROBI SHOW



On 15th July 2017, the footballers were invited to the auditions of the national show that took place at Jamhuri Grounds. The children were happy and were ready to go and do their best, as they believed in themselves.

The children changed into their sports attires, and practiced before going to the pitch. How will they play against each ? So, to entertain the crowd they had to book for the main show. There were other people who were performing at the Dias, and there were other different activities to showcase to the judges.

When the time lapses there afterwards, the moment finally come to display our talents to the crowds who were watching. Team girls team was taking on the girls team. In 3 minutes after the referee had blew the whistle the girls had scored 1 goal against boys.

A minute later they scored another goal before going for a half time then they came back to the field. In second half –time boys had scored a goal and it was 2-1. The girls’ team were leading and the end up winning the games with a fabulous 4-1 win against their opponent.

The game end with great applauds from the fans. The talented footballers really made the fans to retrace the sports as way to enjoy.

Mathare Foundation visit the Nairobi National Park

Children of Mathare Foundation had a chance to visits the Nairobi National Park



special thanks to French Embassy in Nairobi who are supporting the Raising project. The day at the park was well spent as we saw the wild animals. The Lions, buffalos, cheetah,

monkeys, baboon, zebra, antelopes, the list is endless. The children had a chance to capture beautiful pictures of the animals with their magnificent cameras. At every place we had our stop with our Tour guide, we got very details information that we didn’t actually know. Each Animal had a special modification to his surrounding in terms of his survival tactics, breeding and adaptative features.

For instances, the lioness does hunt for a prey instead of the lion. The Funniest animal was the Hyena as its hind legs are longer than the front legs as it uses the norms to scare away predators and also laughs at them.

Also, we had relaxing moment at the bay-side, After having lunch, the day was still bright as the children had a quite moments in sharing jokes, singing songs and dancing and also having group Photo as we saw the sunset to the west with its beautiful horizon



Annie Groff with members of Mathare Foundation at Kiboro Primary School.

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