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## TCE tests more than 90,000 for HIV...

• over 21,000 test positive for HIV, according to DAPP 2022 Progress Report



In Picture: TCE field officer conducting HIV test in Chipata Compound in Lusaka

evelopment Aid from People to People - DAPP Zambia has intensified its response to local and global efforts towards preventing new HIV infections and achieving epidemic control by 2030.

In 2022, the DAPP Total Control of the Epidemic, TCE project expanded to all health facilities – over 1,200 in Southern, Lusaka, Western and Eastern provinces.

DAPP TCE project is funded by the US Government's PEPFAR through the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, (CDC).

According to the 2022 DAPP Progress Report, the project tested 90,398 people for HIV and 21,919 persons tested positive.

The project further linked 21,218 persons that tested positive to health facilities to immediately start their ARV treatment.

"...we also supported 25,547 persons living with HIV to form trios to provide them support on their treatment," stated DAPP Managing Director, Elise Soerensen at the launch of the report in Lusaka.

The TCE seeks to prevent new HIV infections and support persons living with HIV to remain on treatment.

Zambia has surpassed the UNAIDS targets of supporting persons living with HIV to start treatment and suppress their viral load, but the country still needs to find the last positives to prevent new HIV infections.

# Former street kid, now changing lives...



IN PICTURE: Former President of Botswana, Ian Khama (r) - Guest of Honour, places Presidential Insignia on Gideon Tembo (l) during Zambia's 53rd Independence celebrations in 2017.

From spending his nights sleeping in the streets of Lusaka 23 years ago, Gideon Tembo today proudly wears a Presidential Insignia recognising his work in positively impacting street kids and vulnerable children in Lusaka's Chibolya Compound.

His story changed for the better after DAPP Children's Town took him in from the streets in 2000.

Tembo is one of many former street kids whose lives have been transformed at the project in Chibombo

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## TCE key results



90,398 persons tested for HIV



21,919 persons tested positive for HIV



21,218 persons started ARV treatment



25,547 persons formed TRIO's to support adherence to ART.



68,915 persons brought back to treatment

## Southern farmers embracing agriculture as business, government impressed!

Pemba District Commissioner, Obey Habeenzu has commended DAPP Zambia for improving adoption of climate smart agriculture in Southern Province.

Agriculture is the main driver of economic activities in a region renowned as one of the country's agricultural hubs. But the living conditions of many farmers - mostly rural households, do not reflect the work that they put in to produce their crops.

Since 2015, DAPP's Smallholder Farmer Support Programme with support from the World Food Programme, has been equipping farmers with knowledge and skills to fight climate change induced food insecurity, while increasing their income.

"DAPP is one of our most active partners, supporting government efforts diversify the economy to agriculture. Maina Chabota of Jamba area is a good example of many successes of DAPP's work here. She started as an ordinary farmer and is now an influential agricultural entreprenuer in Pemba. She



IN PICTURE: Pemba District Commissioner, Obey Habeenzu explaining the successes as farmers embrace agriculture as business to figh climate change and increase household incomes in Pemba

now buys crops from fellow farmers in Southern and Central provinces and sells to off takers like Seba Foods," explained Habeenzu.

Chabota is one of the farmers that DAPP trained as crop aggregators. In 2022, they bought crops from farmers worth over US\$398,000 - providing a ready market for local farmers in the province.

#### Agriculture key results 22.894 741 Savings and **Smallholder** farmers **Lenging Groups**

577 **Farmers**' Clubs

K7.3-million saved at their peak

2023

## Participatory learning builds pupil confidence for problem solving



"Children learn better when they do! They should, therefore, participate throughout the learning process.'

DAPP believes in a broad, inclusive and innovative education strategy that places students, teachers and communities at the centre of the learning processes. We believe that what children learn, must be tested and refined to match the daily reality of life in their respective communities.

In 2022, DAPP Mkushi College of Education trained 147 teachers ready to work in Zambia's most rural areas where the services are needed the most.

#### Former street kid, now changing lives... (continued from Page 1)

"Children's Town was my home until I graduated," disclosesd Tembo.

Tembo - now 34, with fellow former graduates of Children's Town have formed an organisation called Trailmet to respond to the increase in the number of street children in Zambia.

"...because of the chance Children's Town gave us, we have supported over 150 street kids and vulnerable children in Chibolya so that they too, can have a bright future," explained Tembo while adding; "I am running Njobvu Community Centre where street children come to play different kinds of sports. During these meetings, we encourage those that are willing to go back to school and we find them sponsorship. We actually identified some of the children at Children's Town. As a result of my work, I got a Presidential medal of honour in 2017."





# DAPP customers spoiled for choices at low prices, as DAPP open new shops in the East!



DAPP Zambia has opened shops in Chipata and Petauke districts of Eastern province, increasing the number of outlets to 39 in 23 districts.

The expansion is part of DAPP's commitment towards contributing to government's private sector led job creation policy and fighting climate change.

DAPP shops are providing decent, affordable clothes, while creating employment for locals. In addition to thousands of DAPP customers buying for resale, DAPP employed over 500 staff across Zambia in 2022.

Through promoting reuse, the project is contributing towards mitigating global warming.

# No clothes go to waste; reuse, recycle, reduce to fight climate change and global warming

The clothes that are not sold in the shops are distributed to DAPP projects. Those that cannot be worn are made into new products such as doormats and mattress covers in an effort to avoid waste being disposed of at dumping sites.



## Clothes and Shoes key results

39

Clothes and Shoes shops in 23 districts of Zambia 17,245

kilogrammes of clothes and shoes donated in 2022 510

Staff employed across all 37
Shops in Zambia

## Self-Help Groups empowering women to be change makers...

ore than thirty thousand women in 21 districts of Southern, Lusaka, Central and Eastern provinces in Zambia are mobilised in Self-Help Groups to help improve their social, economic and political wellbeing.

With support from Kindernothilfe, DAPP oversees the programme, including sub-granting to eight of the promoting organisations.

DAPP Self-Help Group Approach National Coordinator, Elizabeth Banda disclosed that the women have a capital of more than K14-million raised through savings and lending out to members who pay back on agreed interest terms.

They are also organising themselves to respond to challenges affecting their communities like GBV, early child marriages and household nutrition.



IN PICTURE: Members of a Self-Help Group in Monze counting their savings

### **Towards improved nutrition**



Zambia is grappling with the challenge of impaired growth and development among children due to poor nutrition.

DAPP Nutrition project reached 12,455 rural households from 320 Farmers' Clubs and 16,347 school pupils from 54 schools in 2022.

The project trained communities to produce and prepare healthy meals for their families, especially children under the age of five.

## Projects to look out for in 2023



Integrated Community **Development**: Implement integrated community development activities



**Total Control of the Epidemic:** Mobilises people and provides services to stop the HIV and TB epidemics



Farmers' Clubs: Increase climate change resilience among smallholder



Second Hand Clothes and Shoes Shops: Generate income, employment and provide services to people in 10 Provinces of Zambia.



Self-Help Group Aproach: Mobilises women into Self-Help Groups to improve their social, economic and political wellbeing.



Other health projects: Towards Malaria Elimination, HOPE, Total Control of TB and Community Led Monitoring



**DAPP Teachers' Training College:** Trains multi-skilled teachers focusing on their ability to work in rural schools.



Children's Town: Provides academic and vocational education to vulnerable children in Chibombo district of Central Province.



**Human Rights in Correctional** Facilities: Improve systems for health, rehabilitation and reintegration in **Correctional Facilities** 

## Every child deserves early childhood education



Working towards ensuring every child accesses early childhood education, DAPP Zambia supported 15 pre-schools with 551 children aged from 5 to 7 in 2022.

Read about our activities in our 2022 DAPP Progress Report on: https://www.dappzambia.org/images/publications/annual-reports.

#### Towards Malaria Elimination!



ur community centered malaria prevention, control and ultimately elimination programme in North Western province has contributed to the further drop in malaria transmission and related deaths in Zambia.

In 2022, we reached over 90,000 people with malaria sensitisation messages including pregnant women and children under the age of five.







