Awareness Meeting at KAG Buruburu Parish – 3rd December 2017

1. Project Background

This was a disability awareness meeting. KSB had written a letter to the church among other churches and institutions in Nairobi. Specifically, this day was to mark the International Disability Day usually commemorated internationally. This so far marks that 28 disability awareness sessions in churches in Nairobi and Kiambu. Earlier the norm was that I could involve some interns and CAT learners but with the income becoming less and less, I decided to do in alone. Earlier, any intern participating and so is KSB staff would get Kshs 500 for lunch. At least a total of Kshs 1500-2000/= would be used.

Event Planning:
I attended a planning meeting on 2nd Dec afternoon in Buru Buru. Meeting too place in the church compound. This was a briefing meeting since the church leadership was divided on this event and its importance. Some leaders wanted to know what will be done and which groups are to attend.

Disability Awareness:
- Groups involved
  - Dan Otieno a blind pastor
  - Physically disabled
  - The Hearing impaired
  - KSB
  - Musician with abnormal head
- Create Awareness of KSB mandate – where listeners are told about KSB mandate. KSB Programmes. How the institution can help reduce blindness. How individuals & institutions can support KSB to support learners with disabilities. Listeners are also sensitized about the cost of
- Demonstration – This is a session where listeners are randomly selected involving the leadership and followership and blindfolded to get a 30-1hour session of experiencing blindness.
Pastor allowing church members to give testimonies

This lady had been supported by KSB to get magnifiers and she gave a testimony about KSB’s Support
We had involved other disabilities:

Choir Members were blindfolded
Church Elders Also marked the Disability Day

**Awareness so far:**
- KAG (Kenya Assemblies of God church)
- PCEA Churches = 12
- ACK churches = 2
- Institutions = 13 – (KWS; Hillcrest school, Delmex, Jubilee, Cambridge University, Cavina Academy, Riara School, Breaburn Imani, ANIWIK, NEMA, Moi University, UON, Mhasibu)

This was done against a planning and implementation of PR/RM plans (Team C) which was also to include other department as detailed below:

- Another awareness creation may take place in Bomet on 6th December 2017. Several events have been planned for including donation giving, a marathon, Amputee football, Goal Ball etc. Flagging will take place at kanusin AGC church ground.
  The Bomet County Government has approved the following budget:

2. **Way forward**
- The Church members were urged to visit KSB for eyes screening
- The church promised to make a donation to support KSB in supporting learners with visual impairment. The church will be calling KSB to receive the Donation once they are ready.

3. **Outcomes**
- The Day was covered by K24 at 9.00pm the same day
- Reduction of stigma associated with disabilities

**Report by Johnson Kitetu:**

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