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## THE COUNTRY DIRECTOR'S WELCOME REMARKS

Joy Mabenge,

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Welcome to the second edition of our bi-monthly newsletter! Time flies, doesn't it? It feels like just yesterday when we were ushering in the year 2024 together on this platform.

The year 2024 has been nothing short of eventful. The RBZ Governor recently introduced a new structured currency, The Zimbabwe Gold (ZiG), a gold-backed currency replacing the RTGS, with the aim to stabilize the country's economy. However, history tells us a cautionary tale. We have walked this path before, each time with hopes of improving our economy. Unfortunately, these efforts have often fallen short, leaving many to bear the brunt of economic instability.

It is disheartening to witness the continued suffering of Zimbabweans due to the failure to implement policies that address the root causes of our economic challenges. In this edition, we dedicate our focus to women, who are disproportionately affected by these economic uncertainties. Women, who predominantly operate in the informal sector, face heightened vulnerabilities in the face of currency fluctuations.

Our newsletter will share the remarkable contributions of women to the ongoing struggle for equality and empowerment. These women have been at the forefront, challenging patriarchal structures and advocating for systemic change. Thanks to their tireless efforts, Zimbabwe boasts progressive laws that empower women today.

Yet, despite these advancements, much remains to be done. Our commitment to Gender-Transformative Public Services (**GTPS**) stresses the importance of ensuring gender sensitivity at all levels of service provision. Central to our approach is the active participation of women in decision-making processes that impact their lives. Failure to engage women in these discussions has undoubtedly contributed to our current predicament.

As we commemorate International Women's Day, let us use this moment to reflect on the progress made and the challenges that we come across in our journey towards gender equality. ActionAid Zimbabwe remains steadfast in its commitment to social justice and poverty eradication, with a strong emphasis on women's empowerment throughout the year.

Happy reading, and let's continue our dialogue on other platforms!

**Yours**  
**Joy Mabenge**

## WOMEN ADVOCATE FOR WATER ACCESS IN CHITUNGWIZA.

Chitungwiza, like many other communities in Zimbabwe, is grappling with a severe water crisis. For decades, the government has been grappling with the challenge of providing adequate and safe drinking water due to deteriorating infrastructure and insufficient dams across the country. Compounding the issue is the political tension, with the government often blaming opposition-led local authorities for the crisis.

While the water situation may not be unique to Chitungwiza, what sets it apart is the agenda established by the Sprout Women Empowerment Trust, formerly known as the Muda Dam Movement.

For quite some time, the movement has held government accountable, advocating for the fulfillment of a pledge to construct Muda Dam near Beatrice. This would provide Chitungwiza with water from a dedicated source. Currently, Chitungwiza relies on a scant supply from Harare city, despite Harare struggling to provide sufficient water for its own needs.

Women, who are disproportionately affected by the lack of water, have felt a strong need to push for the government's pledge to be fulfilled. Caroline Mutimbanyoka, a founding member of the Muda Dam movement and now Director of Sprout Women Empowerment Trust, shares how her and other women were inspired to advocate for water in Chitungwiza.

"I was compelled to address water issues among women due to the desperation I experienced firsthand, as well as witnessing the struggles endured by women in Chitungwiza. As women, we bear the responsibility of caregiving within our households, and the provision of water is central to that role. The absence of running water in our taps places an immense burden and pain on women, prompting us to take action."

"As a mother, I understand the challenges of fetching water from distant sources, often endangering my own health and safety in the process. Through discussions with other women who shared similar experiences at water points, we collectively recognized the urgency to



address this pressing issue. Thus, we embarked on a mission to secure adequate and safe drinking water for Chitungwiza residents. This marked the beginning of the Muda Dam movement."

She goes on to explain the challenges that they have faced in their efforts to ensure that everyone accesses water in Chitungwiza.

"The politicization of water has posed significant challenges to our efforts in ensuring universal access to water in Chitungwiza. In many African countries, including Zimbabwe, water has become entangled in political agendas, making discussions around this vital resource incredibly complex.

"Our primary hurdle within the movement has been uniting women and fostering open dialogue about water issues amidst a highly politically charged environment. Merely bringing up the topic of water often leads to accusations and labeling, as discussions inadvertently intersect with broader political issues. This politicisation has made it exceedingly difficult to engage in constructive conversations about water provision and access.

“Furthermore, seeking support from the government for our cause has also been met with skepticism and accusations of political activism. This signals the reluctance of authorities to engage with citizens on critical issues like water provision, further complicating our advocacy work.”

To date, the team has undertaken various initiatives to advance their cause, including the development and submission of petitions, direct engagement with community leaders and local authorities, and mobilisation of community members.

In addition to advocating for the construction of the Muda Dam, the movement is dedicated to ensuring the safety of all water points for women and girls in Chitungwiza.

“We recognize that access to safe and reliable water sources is not only a matter of infrastructure but also a critical issue of safety and security, particularly for women and girls. Unfortunately, we have observed a concerning trend of violence occurring at water points,

which poses a significant threat to the well-being and dignity of women and girls in our community.

“Addressing this issue requires urgent intervention to safeguard the rights and safety of women and girls. By creating safer environments at water points, we aim to alleviate the risks and vulnerabilities faced by women and girls while accessing essential water services. Our ultimate goal is to enable women and girls to access water in their homes without fear of violence or abuse, thereby enhancing their overall well-being and quality of life”, said Mutimbanyoka.

### Water as a national crisis

The struggle for access to water extends beyond Chitungwiza, reflecting a national crisis in Zimbabwe. Despite government promises and efforts to construct dams, political will often falls short, leaving communities grappling with water shortages amid growing urban populations and the impacts of climate change.

## IN FOCUS: INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY (IWD) CELEBRATIONS



In Shurugwi, the Country Director of ActionAid Zimbabwe, Mr Joy Mabenge, along with women's groups and AAZ staff, took part in a national event commemorating International Women's Day. Rural Women's Assemblies (RWA's) from Chendambuya, Hwedza, and Nyazura showcased their products. The Minister of Women Affairs, Community, Small and Medium Scale Development graced the occasion as the guest of honor. Additionally, numerous other NGOs, government departments, agencies, and private sector companies participated, presenting a range of supportive services for women.

As part of the International Women's Day celebrations on March 8th, 2024, **the TORCHES** project convened a meeting with key stakeholders in Nyanga. The event aimed to raise awareness about the protocol for the multi-sectoral management of SAGBV, emphasizing the importance of collective action and a unified approach to the referral system among all service providers.

**In Hwedza**, Chigondo Ward 9 community, women actively participated in commemorating International Women's Day (IWD), joining millions around the globe in celebrating the achievements and contributions of women. The event saw the collaboration of various stakeholders, including government line ministries such as the Ministry of Health and Child Care and the Ministry of Local Government, as well as departments and agencies like the National AIDS Council (NAC), Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC), Standard Association of Zimbabwe (SAZ), and the Family Planning Council.

Private voluntary organizations including S.O.S. Children's Village, ActionAid Zimbabwe, World Vision, and the Institute for Young Women's Development (IYWD) also played a pivotal role in the event. Together, these entities offered a range of free services aimed at benefiting women, including voter registration, free cervical cancer screening, distribution of free HIV self-test kits, and free contraception distribution.

Moreover, the event provided a platform for women to showcase their talents and entrepreneurial ventures. Women exhibited a diverse array of crafts and products, ranging from dried vegetables and handmade key holders to horticultural produce and textile products.

**In Makoni**, ActionAid Zimbabwe (AAZ) celebrated the occasion with a unique approach, taking to the airwaves of Diamond FM in Mutare. Using radio as an advocacy, women were given a platform to voice the barriers and challenges they face in their daily lives, emphasizing the need for government action to improve their circumstances. Gender champions, including Emma Mutambiranwa from Nyazura LRP and Zvikomborero Chifambe from Chiendambuya LRP, shared insights on women's empowerment efforts, focusing on areas such as agroecology and meaningful participation in decision-making processes. Delight Moyo, AAZ's Partnership for Social Accountability Project Manager, highlighted the organization's extensive work nationwide, particularly advocating for gender-responsive financing. This approach aims to counteract austerity measures that disproportionately impact women and divert resources away from essential public services and social protection. Additionally, Mr. Gabriel Jaji, the Provincial Development Officer for Manicaland Province, emphasized the importance of prioritizing women's rights and gender equality at the district and provincial levels. He discussed collaborative efforts between the Ministry and ActionAid to address gender-based challenges and outlined existing policies and initiatives supporting women's empowerment, as well as strategies for improving financing for gender-responsive public services.

**DURING WOMEN'S MONTH, WE ALSO MET WOMEN FROM VARIOUS BACKGROUNDS WHO ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT IN NUMEROUS IMPACTFUL WAYS. EACH OF THESE WOMEN BRINGS UNIQUE STRENGTHS AND PERSPECTIVES, ENRICHING THE MOVEMENT WITH THEIR DEDICATION AND DIVERSE CONTRIBUTIONS.**



### 1. **Meet Mrs Jambaya**

Mrs. Jambaya's journey is a testament to the birth of Zimbabwe's women's movement. As the co-founder of Jekesa Pfungwa Vulinqondo, one of the nation's earliest women's movements, she dedicated herself to uplifting underprivileged women. Drawing inspiration from her mother's Women meetup clubs (Ruwadzano), she honed her passion for female empowerment through dialogue and community engagement. Her involvement with the Young Women Christian Association in Mufakose marked the beginning of her extensive work with various organizations, laying the groundwork for her pivotal role in women's advocacy.

Assuming leadership of the Women Institute until Zimbabwe's independence, Mrs. Jambaya spearheaded its transition into Jekesa Pfungwa Vulinqondo, securing its continued impact. Today, the organization stands as a beacon of women-led initiatives, empowering women and children through education and community development across all provinces. Her resignation as a founding member in 2022 signifies a lifelong commitment to demonstrating that women are catalysts for change, inspiring generations of women to embrace their potential in Zimbabwe's ongoing journey of progress.



## 2. Edinah Masiyiwa

Edinah Masiyiwa embarked on her journey in the women's movement back in 1992, drawn from a background in healthcare as a nurse and midwife. Witnessing the arrival of each new life filled her with pride, yet concurrently, she couldn't ignore the injustices experienced by women in healthcare settings. Instances such as women sleeping on floor beds after delivery struck her as glaring violations of their rights. This awareness intensified upon her qualification as a Health and Education Officer in the same year, opening her eyes to the urgent need for improved access to quality healthcare for women. When the opportunity arose to join Women's Action Group as an Assistant Health Coordinator, she seized it eagerly. Little did she know then that it would mark the beginning of a journey spanning more than three decades, leading this esteemed organization. Over the years, significant milestones were achieved in the women's movement under her leadership. Notably, their representation at the Beijing Conference on Women in 1995 was a pivotal moment. It was there that frameworks for women's empowerment and gender equality, articulated through the 12 critical areas of concern, were established. These frameworks continue to inform their interventions aimed at promoting women's empowerment. Additionally, their efforts have brought the issue of Domestic Violence into the public sphere, resulting in the enactment of the Domestic Violence Act in 2007. This legislation provides guidance on accessing justice and psychosocial support for survivors of domestic violence.

Currently, Edinah Masiyiwa is actively engaged in the campaign for access to safe abortion. She firmly believes that ensuring access to safe abortion services will play a crucial role in reducing maternal deaths. Their ongoing campaign aims to raise awareness about the Termination of Pregnancy Act (1977) and advocate for women's reproductive rights. Looking back, she is grateful for her journey within the women's movement, both in Zimbabwe and globally. It has been a journey of personal growth and enlightenment, crystallizing her understanding of women's issues and their shared vision: to realize a Zimbabwe where empowered women and girls assert and enjoy their rights within a framework of transformed power relations between women and men. She is privileged to be part of various networks championing the women's agenda, including the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, where she served as a sexual and reproductive health champion, and the Women Leaders of the World, where she is a fellow. Additionally, her involvement in the Country Coordinating Mechanism of the Global Fund has enabled her to advocate for the integration of women and HIV issues into Zimbabwe's response plan for HIV and AIDS. Beyond professional spheres, Edinah Masiyiwa has also contributed grounded leadership within her family and broader community, nurturing future generations to embrace the principles of gender equality and social justice.



## 3. Nyaradzai Gumbonzvanda

Nyaradzai Gumbonzvanda's remarkable journey from Murehwa to Geneva is a testament to her unwavering commitment to gender equality and human rights. With her recent appointment as Deputy Executive Director for Normative Support at UN Women, she adds yet another milestone to her illustrious career. Fondly referred to as mother, activist, advisor, and mentor by those who have encountered her, Nyaradzai's leadership transcends boundaries and resonates globally.

Ms. Gumbonzvanda's academic achievements reflect her dedication to her cause, holding degrees from prestigious institutions such as the University of Massachusetts, University of South Africa, and Uppsala University. Her career trajectory is marked by her tenure as the General Secretary of the World YWCA, where she spearheaded initiatives to empower women and girls worldwide. Currently serving as the board chairperson of ActionAid International, Nyaradzai provides strategic guidance to the organization's efforts in promoting human rights and social justice on a global scale.

Nyaradzai's tireless advocacy has garnered international recognition, including awards such as the Human Rights Defender Award from Human Rights Watch and the Chevalier de la Légion d'honneur from the French Republic. Her steadfast commitment to gender equality and social justice continues to inspire individuals and organizations worldwide, driving positive change and fostering a more inclusive society for all.



#### 4. **Justina Chibukwa**

Justina Chibukwa, aged 51, serves as the Chairperson of the Social Accountability and Monitoring Committee (SAMCO) in Mutoko's Ward 4 under Chief Mutoko. Through her role in the Partnership for Social Accountability project, Justina actively contributes to influencing public financing in health and agriculture sectors in Mutoko. Her participation in strategic planning processes and budgeting at both national and district levels has led to significant achievements for her community since joining SAMCO in 2021.

Since she became a SAMCO chair in her ward, Justina is happy there have been improvements in service delivery on health and agriculture in her community, something which she takes pride in. Proudly advocating for her community, Justina actively engages with traditional and community leaders to address health and agriculture-related challenges. Her upcoming focus involves tackling the issue of child marriages and early sexual debut, recognizing the detrimental impact on children's well-being. Through school outreach programs and meetings with parents, she aims to raise awareness and combat this pervasive issue, driven by her unwavering commitment to the welfare of her community.



#### 5. **Gladys Chihozhwa**

Gladys Chihozhwa's journey is nothing short of inspiring. As we sat on the very sofas purchased from the proceeds of her income-generating projects under the Dignified Lives and Decent Livelihoods for Young People initiative, Gladys opened up about her transformational journey. From her early days as a commercial sex worker to her current role as a young influencer, Gladys spared no detail in recounting her life's journey, from teenage motherhood to the present day.

Her journey of transformation is a testament to the impact of the program, which introduced her to the detergent-making process. Armed with this newfound knowledge, Gladys has not only been able to provide for her family's needs but has also extended a helping hand to other vulnerable girls, guiding them away from the dangers of sex work and towards sustainable livelihoods. Today, she wears many hats - a mother, a champion for sexual and reproductive health, an advocate against gender-based violence, an entrepreneur, and a staunch opponent of drug and substance abuse. Thanks to the Dignified Lives and Decent Livelihoods for Young People project launched by Action Aid Zimbabwe in May 2021, in partnership with Katswe Sisterhood and Action Aid Denmark, Gladys has embraced her role as a proud and active member of her community, Gladys is now able to spend more time with her children and help them with their school work. The DTV project aims to impact the lives of over 3,000 young individuals in Harare South by April 2026, empowering them to break free from cycles of poverty and exploitation and to build brighter futures for themselves and their communities.



## 6. Exodus Munkuli

Exodus Munkuli hails from Binga and is a driven young woman making a difference in her community. Despite facing financial challenges that prevented her from pursuing university education after passing her advanced levels, Exodus refuses to be a bystander. Instead, she has become actively involved as an SRHR mentee under the Partnerships for Social Accountability project, operating in Mutoko and Binga.

In her role as an SRHR mentee, Exodus conducts awareness-raising sessions on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) and advocates for the provision of youth-friendly services at health centers in Binga. Her efforts, alongside her colleagues, led to the successful establishment of a youth-friendly corner at Siyanzundu clinic, now operational. Together, they aim to combat child marriages and teen pregnancies, ensuring that young girls like Exodus are not forced into early marriages or have their futures compromised by early pregnancies.

Exodus' leadership skills have not gone unnoticed, as she was elected as a member of the Siyanzundu Health Center Committee. In this role, she is determined to ensure that public finances are utilized for the betterment of her community.

In addition to her advocacy work, Exodus has embarked on farming ventures to raise income for her education and support her family. Inspired by her peers in Mutoko during a learning visit under the PSA project, Exodus is determined to create positive change in her community and beyond.



## 7. Fungai Saunyama

Fungai Saunyama, a Ward 16 Development Coordinator under the Ministry of Women Affairs, Community, Small and Medium Scale Development, demonstrated exceptional compassion and dedication in aiding a survivor of rape. The survivor, who faced the additional challenge of being mentally challenged and having difficulty in speech, found invaluable support in Fungai's assistance. Drawing upon her knowledge of available resources, Fungai helped the survivor report the incident to both the police and the village head. Utilizing her understanding of the TORCHES project's Justice Fund, Fungai ensured that the survivor had access to the necessary support to attend court proceedings. Beyond logistical assistance, Fungai provided crucial emotional support and counseling services for both the survivor and her family. Despite the perpetrator's connections to the police and his previous unpunished offenses, Fungai remained steadfast until justice was served. In honoring Fungai during this Women's Month, we recognize her as a true heroine dedicated to creating safer and more supportive communities for all.



## 8. Rumbidzayi Makoni

Rumbidzayi has been radical for as long as she can recall. Growing up, she held steadfast convictions regarding women's empowerment and the need for female voices to be amplified. She attributes much of this mindset to her upbringing in a feminist environment, where her mother and other influential figures championed equal opportunities for her and her brothers. At every turn, she vocally opposed the injustices she encountered, believing that silence would only perpetuate systemic inequalities. Rumbidzayi firmly advocates for creating inclusive and enabling systems, advocating against oppressive structures such as neoliberalism, patriarchy, and racism—a stance she has upheld over the years. Her career path was shaped early on during her tenure at Musasa (formerly Musasa Project), where she experienced the





realities of patriarchy as she engaged with women trapped in abusive relationships across all strata of society. Subsequently, she worked with diverse organizations, spanning from sexual and reproductive health rights, behavior change, economic empowerment, and climate justice. These experiences equipped her with invaluable transferable skills that solidified her identity as a feminist.

From her pioneering participation in the Special Youth Fellowship with UNAIDS in 2009, where she gained hands-on experience in coordinating youth organizations and coalitions at both global and national levels, to her role as Gender Program Advisor with the Flemish Association for Development Cooperation and Technical Assistance – VVOB, where she spearheaded the development of feminist toolkits and facilitated professional capacity development in gender-responsive pedagogy for early childhood development learners, Rumbidzayi continually broadened her horizons. Her tenure with the Culture Fund Trust of Zimbabwe further deepened her understanding of the intersection of arts, culture, and behavioral change within inclusive societies and economies.

Joining ActionAid Zimbabwe marked another significant chapter in Rumbidzayi's journey, where she unapologetically advocated against socio-economic injustices and pushed for more inclusive economies benefitting marginalized communities, particularly women and youth. Her relentless pursuit of justice and equality landed her to a new global role as the Feminist Alternatives to Neoliberalism Policy Adviser with ActionAid International. While Rumbidzayi's departure signifies a loss for ActionAid Zimbabwe, it undeniably signifies a substantial gain for ActionAid International. Her expertise and experience promise to enrich the global movement for social justice and gender equality.

## SASA TOGETHER, JUST WHAT THE DOCTOR PRESCRIBED

In Nyanga, Nyaradzai Bhaera holds deeper discussions with fellow women in her village dissecting bedroom issues ranging from issues of consent, respect for one another amongst others. She is quite aware that deeper discussions held with a small group of women bring to the attention issues that are rarely talked about and very few are willing to open up for such discussions.

Fortunately, her training in May 2023 as a SASA champion helped her to hold



and steer conversations with so much ease. Smiling all the way during the interview and showing signs of confidence, Nyaradzai reveals how SASA sessions have helped her community.

“Through SASA, cases of Gender Based violence have been reduced in my community. A day would not pass without word going around about a certain couple that had fought or a broken marriage. Openly discussing these issues has helped. Perpetrators now understand why it is wrong to beat someone while survivors get an opportunity to heal.”

At every given opportunity, Nyaradzai holds sessions with individuals and groups within her community. Whenever she leaves her home, whether attending a funeral, visiting friends or attending community events, Nyaradzai ensures that she carries her educational material.

“When I became a SASA Champion I told myself that mine is a 24 hour job. I therefore do not plan on when and where I should hold sessions. My sessions can happen anywhere. A lot of discussions happen at family level, funerals and community meetings. I am always prepared to hold sessions whenever I leave home.”

Sekai Zhwuaki, another SASA Champion from Chikundi Village in Nyanga speaks positively about SASA. Sekai is a former Rural Women Assembly Chairperson and the current village head. In her village, Sekai and other women decided to set up a community garden so that women in the village can easily meet discussing various issues while at the same time creating an opportunity for income generation through the garden project. They have not only done that, they have set up a Incomes Savings and Lending Scheme (ISALS) meant to create more income opportunities for women in her community. “The issue of violence and income is closely related. Lack of income sometimes ignites violence in some homes. This is the reason why we have set up an incomes and savings group on top of the discussions we have.”

As though that is not enough, she has gone all the way setting up a netball team, so that women in her village can entertain themselves out of their daily schedules. “Netball tournament are becoming popular in my ward. Instead of just providing entertainment, we hold SASA sessions before games are played. This is meant to increase awareness given the number of people who attend sessions.”

Audrey Mudhanda, a young woman attending SASA sessions facilitated by Sekai, spoke positively about the sessions.

“We never used to talk openly about gender based violence. I am happy because i now know where to report gender based violence cases and how to assist my friends if they encounter violence.”

Vimbai Manhera, who also attends SASA sessions in ward 6 is equally happy.

“Our husbands used to say that we are wasting time attending incomes groups and SASA sessions. I am happy now that we have seen the change. They have seen us performing community dramas and attended ball games where we talk about gender based violence. We are also contributing to family income through our savings groups. Most men in our communities have changed. Cases of violence are now very low.”

In Shamva, Rose Mwenyeali (39) a SASA champion lived a life of abuse for many years. Due to the lack of knowledge on how to handle such situations she was forced to suffer in silence but not anymore.

“I used to be in an abusive relationship, but after the introduction of this SASA program, I now know the referral pathways if I am experiencing GBV and get assistance,” said Rose appreciating the change brought about by SASA in her community.

Mitchel Nyanhi,(22) from Chitungwiza Unit L, Ward 18 who was well known for violence against girls found redemption and purpose through the SASA program. Mitchel’s life took a turn when he encountered a group of SASA members conducting outreach in his community. Their message of empowerment and accountability struck a chord with Mitchel, prompting him to reflect on the consequences of his actions and the harm inflicted upon others. Through engaging conversations and educational sessions facilitated by the SASA program, Mitchel gained invaluable insights into the root causes of violence against girls and the ripple effects on individuals, families, and communities.

“I was assisted by this SASA program because I used to be violent to girls. I used to physically assault girls in the street, if I approached a girl and they ignore me or refused to talk to me,” said Mitchel.

## WOMEN LEAD FEEDING PROGRAM TO COMBAT HUNGER IN NYAZURA



Women in Nyaruzwa, ward 28 take a bold initiative to start a Women Lead feeding program in Makumba Primary to sustain the hunger that is currently affecting the students.

According to the President due to the El-Nino induced disaster approximately 80% of the country experienced low rainfall affecting the yield, he also announced that Zimbabwe is now experiencing drought.

This is currently affecting homes especially in the rural areas hence some of the school children are forced to go to school without eating.

Sophie Sithole a woman in Nyazura who will be leading the feeding program said that she felt pity for the children who are going to school without any food.

“I saw a child last year who was going to school without a lunch box and felt empathy for the child and realising that this year there is a drought I thought of those children who were going to school without anything to eat during breaktime and how they were going to be in class with empty stomachs,” she said.

She added that, she also realised that this would then result in a lot of children dropping out of school because of the hunger.

“Therefore, since it is every child’s right to education, the feeding program would help to attract children and continue with their studies, this is our way to motivate them to go to school.

Sithole will be leading a group of 15 women who all stay in ward 28 close to the close.

She said they chose Mukamba Primary school because it is the closest primary school in the ward and if resources permit, they would like to do the same program at Matanhire Primary school.

According to Sithole the resources to be used will be contributed by the women in the group, though the resources are not enough. The ladies will also ask for the other women in the community to contribute whatever they can.

Some of the few food items include rice, mealie meal and cooking oil just to mention a few.

The program will be feeding the whole school which is approximately 290 school children.



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