

CELEBRATIONS STORIES

- DREAMS stand attract more visitors at FACT @ 30 celebrations.
- Deputy Minister of Health and Child Care's solidarity speech a complimenting accolade
- Jibilika dance thrills the crowd at the celebrations
- FACT has stood the test of time, "USAID representative, Kathleen.

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DREAMS Stand Attract More Visitors at FACT @ 30 Celebrations

It was a memorable event as visitors jostled to have a glimpse of FACT interventions under the DREAMS initiative. A total of 637 visited the stand to hear more about the interventions. Partners exhibited their services as a full package of what they provide to the Orphans and Vulnerable Children in their areas of jurisdiction.

The DREAMS Consortium shared their detailed interventions regarding Case Management, DREAMS referral protocol, Economic Strengthening, Educational Support and Psychosocial Support.



People jostling to see and understand more on the DREAMS initiative

MOHCC Deputy Minister Acknowledges FACT's Work

The Deputy Minister of Health and Child Care Honorable Musiwa was the guest of Honour at FACT @ 30 celebrations and his speech was very much in sync with the journey that FACT has travelled from inception to now.

He reiterated the notion that FACT's working with volunteers should not go unmentioned as they were foot soldiers from organizational formation up to now. He Implored FACT to get to greater heights and continue to help communities focusing on their real problems and employing the human rights based programming .



The Deputy Minister of Health and Child Care giving his speech at FACT @ 30 Celebrations

He emphasized the need to programme with a prong of Public Private Partnership as exhibited by FACT, Econet and MOHCC. He acknowledged that the attainment of 30 years by FACT is just but a piece of the iceberg on major achievements they have realized so far.

USAID Pays Homage to FACT's Work



Kathryn Reichert giving her speech on behalf of USAID

Family AIDS Caring Trust's friends, funding partners, stakeholders and beneficiaries took to the podium giving praises to what FACT has done to them and the communities at large.

FACT's current major funding partner, USAID represented by Kathryn Reichert in the left picture, gave a resounding speech articulating how FACT and USAID USAID acknowledges that the partnership for the past 10 years in different funding arrangements i.e indirect

and direct funding. Under the indirect funding FACT received USAID resources through other partners like World Education and PSI. Due to solid systems and good performance FACT now receives direct funding and is privileged to be a Prime Recipient of resources entrusted by USAID to other partners.

USAID acknowledges that the partnership with FACT has enabled them reaching out to 430 000 beneficiaries. Some

of the beneficiaries were mobilized to access HIV testing services and were initiated on treatment promptly.

Kathryn cherished FACT's efforts in reaching out to more than 160 000 Orphans and Vulnerable Children with various services namely GBV prevention and survivor care, educational support, child protection, community apprenticeship but just to mention a few.

Families Matter Programme Key in Parent to Child Communication

“Parent to child Communication on sex and sexuality, a cornerstone to Adolescence sexual reproductive Health programming “

Families Matter Programme (FMP) has been adopted by FACT as an effective parenting model to reinforce parent to child communication on issues of sex and sexuality. Insert picture shows FMP facilitators in their cubicle during the FACT @ 30 celebrations showing how the model works. Each facilitator tends 20—26 parents per session and children in the

same manner separately. Testimonies by the tripartite groups has shown that parents and children are embracing the model and results are gradually becoming evident through reduction of teenage pregnancies and STIs amongst the target group.



FACT Board Members touring stands at FACT @ 30 Dr Foster (obscured) is the Board Chair, Dr Mutsemi (in Black T-Shirt) is the secretary and Mr Kuwana in spectacles

Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education Applauds FACT



Nyamauru Primary School Head, Mr Mutembaro gave a synopsis of the support they are currently accessing from FACT under Children Tariro grant. The relationship and interventions are positively impacting in the life of the children through Child Protection Committees, BEM GEM Clubs, Educational Assistance and Life Skills Support. Access to a full package of the above services places a child at a platform where he/she can realise his/her full potential.

“Family AIDS Caring Trust comes of age

Big Crowd at FACT @ 30 Celebrations

A big crowd attended the FACT @ 30 celebrations and one will be surprised as to how they were mobilized but FACT Executive Director, Gertrude Shumba pictured herein shared the mobilization strategy that attracted the huge crowd that attended the FACT @ 30 celebrations.

FACT team negotiated with the local radio station “Diamond FM “ to invite people to come and access health services during the celebrations. FACT was allocated a slot during the prime time of the radio show i.e between 0720hrs and 0740hrs. This was done a week prior to the event starting with the Executive Director sharing the strategic direction of the institution followed by Programmes Director and Programme managers delving more into their departmental focus and projects.

National AIDS Council came in handy when they partnered with FACT in hosting a musical gala on the same day at the celebration venue at Sakubva stadium with renowned dancehall musicians providing entertainment on the day. The likes of Killer T, Sir Calaz and Jibilika dancers contributed in pulling the crowd. Also volunteers, stakeholders and beneficiaries working with FACT attended the celebration to show solidarity.



Crowd that attended FACT @ 30



Gertrude Shumba (FACT Executive Director)



March to Sakubva stadium on FACT @ 30 Celebrations



*“By Love Serve One Another “
Gal 5 vs 13*



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