1.0 INTRODUCTION AND ORGANIZATION BACKGROUND.

Friendly Integrated Development Initiative in Poverty Alleviation (FIDIPA) is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) in Kenya registered under the NGO Act as a National NGO. The organization has a high profiled advisory Board charged with the responsibility of formulation and review of policy framework, which is executed by the management committee. FIDIPA envisions holistic empowered peaceful communities and sustainable development. Its mission is to improving quality of life of the rural and urban poor populations though participatory processes to challenge oppressive structures and play a central role in peace making, good governance, gender equity, economic justice, food security, adequate water, environmental management, improved well-being and sustainable development. FIDIPA’s core values include: peace, unity, networking, respect, equality, fairness, efficiency, professionalism, transparency and accountability.

FIDIPA implements grassroots programs and provides consultancy services to agencies that are committed to improving the standard of living of the urban and rural poor populations to fully direct, control, own and manage their development initiatives in a respectful, responsible and pleasurable expression of humanity. The key project areas are; The key project areas are; (i) Peace Gender Mainstream and Governance Advocacy project, (ii) Environmental, Water and Food Security project, (iii) HIV&AIDS Grandmothers taking Care of AIDS Orphans and Vulnerable Children project. FIDIPA has programs in Siaya, Kisumu, Kericho, Kilifi and Nairobi Counties. The programmatic approach of FIDIPA lays utmost emphasis on community ownership, mobilization and participation. This approach is pursued with the view to developing community based self-sustaining integrated development projects with special attention accorded to the disadvantaged in the society.

The organization is design to foster unity with members, groups and individuals committed to the environmentally, social-economic growth and strengthening of communities. FIDIPA collaborates with Faith Based Organizations, local NGOs, CBOs and individuals in realizing their goals and objectives. The organization has maintained a high level of operational involvement within its area of jurisdiction with several development partners and government ministries. Financially the organization has a transparent, accountable and user-friendly accounting system in place. The books of accounts are annual audited by a reputable audit firm.

2.0 REPORTS

2.1 Peace, Gender Mainstream and Governance Advocacy program:

FIDIPA believes promoting peace, gender equality is a promotion of fundamental Human Rights and principles/values and democracy. The program further seeks to empower the local communities to take up positive steps to address peaceful cohesion in addressing their livelihood issues and claim their rights. The project has four components (i) the women in and out of prison (ii) the school based motivation and career development. (iii) Women in leadership advocacy and (iv) youth for peace project.
2.1.1 Women in and out of prison.

The FIDIPA conducts prisons visitation and community follow-up and integration.

Integration with community can be a challenge after prison according to the lady below.

2.1.2. School Motivation and Career Development Program

The program seeks to empower girls from different primary schools in Kenya on career development.

In some schools girls are sent to collect firewood others are asked to prepare lunch for the teachers, others are asked to dig for the teachers their small gardens within the school compound while boys are left to play in the field.
2.1.3 Women in Leadership and Advocacy Program

This program creates awareness on women empowerment in relation to education, land and property. FIDIPA would lobby communities to ensure that women and men have the right to equal treatment and opportunities in political, economic, cultural and social spheres without discrimination Article 27 (3).

There are girls who cannot go to school during their menstrual period like the one picture behind. The rights of women, youth, elderly, children and persons with disability must be respected.
2.2 Environmental, Water and Sanitation program

2.2.1 Water and Sanitation: The objective of this program is to improve access to clean, safe, affordable water, proper sanitation and effective waste disposal for the residents in the catchment area.

Proper hygiene is not observed and FIDIPA has to assist in removal of jiggers and advocate for proper hygiene improvement.
2.3 Grandmothers taking Care of AIDS Orphans and Vulnerable Children program

The project objective is to increase the capacity of rural and urban poor granny’s infected and affected with HIV&AIDS, improve food security, nutrition and health, social and economic status.

The granny’s are left with children because some of the parents have died while others like the teenage daughters have gone to other towns to look for jobs as house help. The granny below has no one to help she has to go by the roadside roll stones and make ballast for in order to fend for her grandchildren.

The granny’s make different items as herein displayed. Those in Nairobi got a boost when visited by visitors from Angels who care who brought the items and blessed them.
2.4 CAPACITY BUILDING (CONSULTANCY SERVICES)

In the effort to fulfil our main objective, of poverty reduction amongst the rural and urban poor through the use of locally available resources, one of the organization’s areas of concentration is training for skill development. Depending on the assignments, FIDIPA has a team of cooperate consultants who support where and when required.

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