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LIST OF ACRONYMS:

FAROF-Freehearts Africa Reach out Foundation

FGHIN-Friends for Global Health Initiative

AIDS: Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

ART- Anti Retroviral Therapy

HCT- HIV Counseling and Testing

HIV- Human Immune Deficiency Virus

IGA- Income Generating Activities

KADSACA- Kaduna State Action Committee on AIDS

LGA- Local Government Area

PLHIV- People Living with HIV

PABA- People Affected By AIDs

OVC- Orphans and vulnerable Children

Executive summary

This report presents the key findings of the base line assessment on orphans and vulnerable children OVC and HCT activities conducted by FAROF at BirninGwari LGA of Kaduna state.

The study was conducted in BirninGwari LGA from 18thMay down to June 2015 and extended to September 2015, to identify the educational, medical, psychosocial, socio economical and nutritional needs of the OVC and to improve their livelihood with a view of enrolling 2000 OVC into various schools, and enrolling 2000 care givers for IGAs, as well as using a unique strategy of free medical checkup approach to carry out HIV testing and counseling activities.

A random sampling of OVC, PLWHIV and The general population in BirninGwari LGA were used for the administration of Child Vulnerability Index form to ascertain the degree of vulnerability of the OVC and the required support as well as a structured questionnaires which was also used to gather data randomly through the collective effort of the research consultant and research assistants.

The assessment instruments focused on demographic information, Vulnerability of OVC, ART status and compliant to appointment, sources of income to the PLWHIV, accessibility of ART centers and income generating activity of interest. This report provides the methodology for and the results of the survey. It also identified implications for program interventions at community level.

Methodology

A descriptive survey method was used for the baseline assessment which entails collection and analysis of data for the purpose of describing and interpreting existing condition and practice and it best described, interpreted and analyzed the variables used

Baselinestudy Area

The assessment was conducted in 7 communities (BirninGwariTown,Gayam, Pole waya, Randagi, MagajinGari, Kungi and DawakinBassa) in BirninGwari LGA of Kaduna state.

Target population

The target population of the baseline was PLWHA and the General population from BirninGwariTown,Gayam, Pole waya, Randagi, MagajinGari, Kungi and DawakinBassa Communities in BirninGwari LGA of Kaduna state.

Instrument for data collection

The instrument used for the data collection was the Child Vulnerability Index (CVI) and Vulnerable Children Enrolment Card (VCEC) Form and other Research Questionnaires.

The CVI form provided background information on the OVC such as name, sex, age and their status in respect of thematic areas of concern (Health, Education, Shelter, Protection, Nutrition and Economic Strength), as well as the care givers information.

While the questionnaire was designed in a way that will provide the necessary information the HIV virus and Understands the level of awareness of HIV information within the community

Tools for Baseline &OVC



See appendix

Method of data collection

Research Assistants and other project community volunteers assisted respondents in filling the CVI and VCEC forms. 2500 copies of CVI and VCEC forms where distributed, 890 OVC's was registered on May 2015 and 904 OVC's was registered on June, 2015. And between August to September about 2150 OVC were registered after verification that was carried out by nine PCV and Staffs of FAROF.

Method of data analyses

Data were analyzed using tables. These method was used because it best described, analyzed and interpreted the variables that were used.

Results/findings from May to September 2015

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Table 1 - CLASSES OF RESPONDENTS

LGA	CHILDREN	ADULT	TOTAL
	(OVC)	Care givers	
BirninGwari	2150	1045	3195

Table1 shows the number of respondents family members In BirninGwari LGA and 2150 OVC were from respondents household.

Orphans and Vulnerable Children:

Table 2 - Sex Distribution

SEX	TOTAL NUMBER OF RESPONDENT	%
MALE	1281	59.6%
FEMALE	869	40.4%

The table showed the sex distribution of the OVC pre-enrolled in BirninGwari LGA. Male were slightly higher (59.6%) and Female 40. 4%.

Table3 – OVC Age Range

AGE RANGE	TOTAL RESPONDENT	%
0 - 5	711	33.1%
6 - 12	978	45.5%
13 - 17	461	21.4%

The table showed the age ranges of the respondents and that there are much more OVC in the range of 6 - 12 years (45.5%) than the 0 - 5yrs (33.1%) and 13 - 17yrs that are 21.4%.

Table 4 – Status of Vulnerability

Vulnerability	TOTAL RESPONDENT	%
Most Vulnerable	1057	49.2%
More Vulnerable	934	43.4%
Vulnerable	159	7.4%

The table showed that the most vulnerable children are more than the more vulnerable and vulnerable children among the respondents. Most vulnerable are 49.2%, more vulnerable 43.4% and vulnerable only 7.4%.

Table 5 – Educational Status of OVC

School Attendance	TOTAL NUMBER RESPONDENT	OF	%
OVC in School	1424		66.2%
OVC not going to School	726		33.8%

The tables showed that out of the 2150 enrolled OVCs, 1424 (66.2%) are in school but finds it difficult to be frequent on school fees and 33.8% are either drop or out of school children due to financial challenge of not being able to afford educational materials.

Challenges

- ➤ Complexity in gathering data from scattered settlement and far apart.
- ➤ Bad road network.
- Large number of Vulnerable children within the LGA
- ➤ Limited resources to carter for the OVC welfare
- Financial constrain through transport faire to PCV to penetrate and continue OVC enrollment

Recommendation

In view of the numerous challenges facing the community, it is recommended that;

- ➤ Educational support should be provided to the OVC
- ➤ Shelter and Nutritional support are also critically required.
- > Financial support be provided to carter for educational support materials