

**FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY SISTERS OF
ASSISI
ST. FRANCIS PROVINCE.**

“CARITA SENZA CONFINI” SAN MARINO.

**DAGAMA NUTRITION CENTRES
ANNUAL REPORT 2019**



AIM:
**To restore life of Christ for our
malnourished children in our community.**



MISSION STATEMENT:
**To participate in the fight against poverty
levels and uplift children's health, providing
addition rehabilitation and giving love to
our malnourished children.**

INTRODUCTION:

The Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi have been in existence since 1702 and promote the value of solidarity with the poor. In 1902, they spread to different countries in the world. In 1902, they spread to different countries in the world.

In 1960 they established a province known as St. Francis in Zambia which later spread to Kenya and Malawi.

The Franciscan Missionary Sisters seek and desire God alone, desire to live, one of the so many desires, “ a life that is dedicated to evangelization and to the exercise of works of mercy and compassion with particular attention to: Hospitality, helping the poor families, even by sharing community goods, visiting and assisting the sick in their homes...”

It is from this background that the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi in St. Francis Province promote the value of solidarity with the poor in particular rendering services to the malnourished children in different Provinces in Zambia and other countries.

The Dagama Nutrition Centers were also started under the initiative of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi in view of helping the malnourished /vulnerable children in the compounds.

The program is funded by “Caritas Senza Confini” from San Marino and Liberato Zambia 2001 who also supplement with plump nuts and “We For Zambia” also supplement in a small way providing some “Lactogen milk” for the babies whose parents have died or unable to breast feed.

These people work diligently in conjunction with the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi.

We appreciate all our collaborating partners for working tirelessly day and night to support our malnourished /vulnerable children to have a well-balanced meal per day.

TARGETED POPULATION:

Dagama Nutrition Centers aim at assisting the malnourished children with food and medical supplies.

The program has five Nutrition Centers namely:

1. Dagama.
2. Fisenge.
3. Buntungwa
4. Kawama
5. Twashuka (known as Walale)

POPULATION SERVED:

The total number of children served on this program in 2019 is approximately one thousand one hundred twenty eight (1,128)

More children would come but we had to limit according to the age and the family situation especially those orphans living with old grandparents.

Below is the table showing figures for each of the Nutrition Centre.

| NAME OF THE CENTRE. | TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN. |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| DAGAMA. | 22 |
| KAWAMA | 169 |
| TWASHUKA (WALALE) | 387 |
| FISENGE. | 299 |
| BUNTUNGWA. | 251 |
| TOTAL | 1,128 |

DAGAMA:

Dagama Nutrition Centre usually has children who are referred from clinics, hospitals, health and nutrition centers because their cases are bad. The number varies every month but the number is between 18 -22.

Most of them once they improve they are referred back to their centers.

Those babies whose mothers cannot breast feed are given some Lactogen milk, and we are grateful to “ **For Zambia**” under Maria Pia Martini who supplement with these tins of milk.



On Fridays, the group of health personnel from St. Theresa's community come to monitor and weigh children to see how they are improving, we are also grateful to "Liberato Zambia 2001 Onlus" for "**the Yola Yoli program**" which supplements to the feeding program.



Since these children who are referred from other centers are critical cases, soya porridge is also prepared before the main meal is given.

DAGAMA MENUE:

| DAY. | DISH. |
|-------------|---|
| MONDAY. | <i>MEAT/SAUSAGE/CHICKEN</i> |
| TUESDAY. | <i>BEANS.</i> |
| WEDNESDAY. | <i>NYAMA SOYA PIECES & EGGS.</i> |
| THURSDAY. | <i>BEANS.</i> |
| FRIDAY. | <i>VEGETABLES/NYAMA SOYA PIECES.</i> |

KAWAMA NUTRITION CENTER:

Kawama Nutrition Center is situated in the outskirts of Luanshya town area.

The center has 169 children and some of these children are referred from the nearby clinic just opposite our center.

The Center has the opportunity to have the same health personnel from St. Theresa's community to monitor and weigh the children those who are in critical condition, after they are given some plump nuts for supplement.

The parents of these children are able to grow vegetables within the Center premises since it has been fenced.

This year the kitchen has been completed to be built and has two chimneys for the smoke to come out. We are grateful to Fr. Stefan and the Parishioners from Germany for the wonderful work done.

(PHOTO OF THE NEWLY BUILT KITCHEN)





KAWAMA NUTRITION CENTER MENUE:

As on Dagama nutrition center. (Refer)

FISENGE NUTRITION CENTRE:

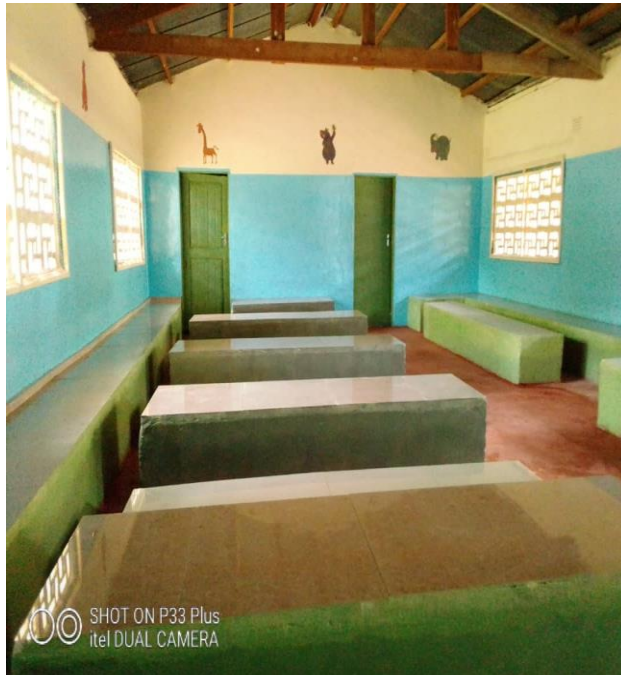
Fisenge Nutrition Centre is 10 kilometers from Luanshya town. It has a total number of 299 children from within Fisenge area.

The number increased from the previous year because of the so many families who are failing to provide a meal for their families.

Two children who were on the program died, one of them died and after a month the mother also died. MSRIP.

Fisenge Nutrition center, as it was built in memory of the late son of Mr. Lorenzo Bianchini by the name of "YARI" had to undergo some renovations and it looks presentable outside and inside.

FISENGE NUTRITION CENTRE.



INSIDE THE NUTRITION CENTRE



OUTSIDE THE NUTRITION CENTRE

We are grateful to the Bianchini family for their gesture and supplementing the efforts made by your Organization sponsoring this program.

FISENGE NUTRITION CENTER MENU:

Refer to Dagama Nutrition Center Menu.

TWASHUKA (WALALE) NUTRITION CENTER:

Twashuka Nutrition center is one of the oldest nutrition center with a lot of children from this compound. The total number of children we had in 2019 was 387 and three of them died – MSRIP.

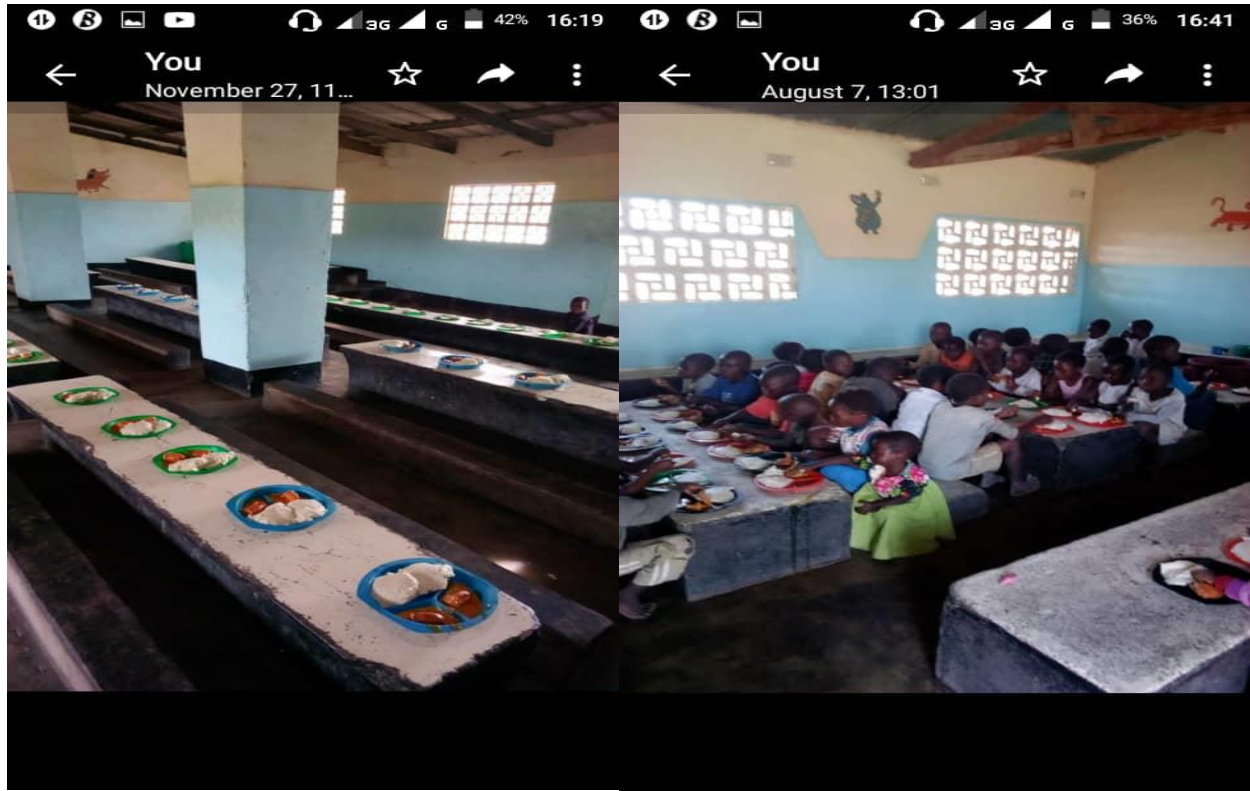
The center is also provided with medical supplies and essential foods like plump nuts, the same medical people from St. Theresa Community come to the same center to offer the same services and Twashuka has even more children who are really malnourished whom the group attend to.

This Centre also prepares soya porridge to supplement before the main meal is given to children.

TWASHUKA (WALALE) NUTRITION CENTER MENUE:

Refer to Dagama Nutrition Center Menu.

CHILDREN HAVING THEIR MEAL AT THE CENTRE.



BUNTUNGWA NUTRITION CENTER:

Buntungwa Nutrition Center is situated in the outskirts of Luanshya, the children are 251 in total.

Buntungwa is a very big compound with a high population but we cannot manage to take all children who would like to be put on the feeding program, so we had to screen them and take those who really needed to be on the program.

The medical team from St. Theresa come once a week to monitor and weigh them and after are given the plump nuts like other children in the Nutrition Centers.

The Center still has the same challenges of the vandalized wall fence, this time the kitchen iron bars are removed for scrap metal.

Lack of clean water is still a challenge, there is a possibility of connecting to Kafubu Water and Sewerage Company but the risk will be of the taps to be vandalized as well.

The parents and guardians of children are good and determined to grow vegetables in the premises of the Center.

BUNTUNGA NUTRITION CENTER MENU:

Refer to Dagama Nutrition Center Menu.

CHIBOTE OLD PEOPLE'S HOME:

The Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi at Our Lady of Fatima community are also taking care of the aged who are based in Twashuka Compound, Luanshya. In 2019 they were 15 and two died, 13 are remaining – four women and nine men.

We are so grateful to the so many good and well- wishers from Churches and Organizations who visited the old people and gave donations which helped in the maintenance of the aged in our home.

Last but not the least, we would like to thank the local community for the help rendered to us especially when our old people die, they are able to support in so many ways in terms of burying them and other logistics.



DAGAMA PROJECTS:

The following are the projects which we have at Dagama:

- Piggery.
- Poultry
- Garden
- Farming.



Piggery



Poultry



Garden



Farming

SUCSESSES:

- With the help from the Genova group, we managed to purchase the steel plates for the children instead of using plastics. We are very grateful to Simonetta, Giorgio and late Fr. Mario Peruzzo, OFM Conventual, who passed on in Zambia when he came for a mission with Giorgio & Simonetta from Genova.
- We had quite a good number of our children who have improved in their health status.
- Fisenge Nutrition Center renovations done, we grateful to Lorenzo B.
- The modern Kitchen in Kawama has been built, we are grateful to Fr. Stefan and his group from Germany.
- From our farm at Dagama, we harvested 300 bags of maize.

CHALLENGES:

- Some Nutrition Centers as I had mentioned in my last report, need maintenance.
- The prices of the essential commodities have gone up as a result the amount sent for feeding seems not to be enough.
- The basic allowances given to the volunteers who assist us is very minimal that we don't meet the requirements of the Zambian labour laws, this is risk for the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi.
- The vehicle for the Nutrition Centers was giving a lot of problems because of the life span, it was sold but waiting to buy another one which we hope will be diesel engine for easy maintenance.
- Fuel is all the time going up and the prices for the fire wood is all the time going up.
- Most Nutrition Centers have inadequate toilets.
- Steel cups will be needed instead of plastic ones.

CONCLUSION:

On behalf of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi in St. Francis Province, Our Lady of Fatima Community at Dagama Home and on my own behalf, I would like to thank you most sincerely "Carita Senza Confini" Onlus for the so many years you have been supporting this important and vulnerable program for our needy children here in Zambia in particular Dagama Home Nutrition Centers in Luanshya. For enabling us as a family of the Franciscans to render service to our vulnerable, malnourished, sick children in different communities and also to answer to the call of God which he has given us to achieve in our mission in the Church and the entire world.

To you Carita Senza Confini for the financial support and making it possible in so many ways for our undernourished children to have a meal per day. Thank you so much, may God richly bless you.

To the other stake holders and Organizations like,

- Liberato Zambia 2001 Onlus : (For the grand Yola Yoli Project)
- Assisi Solidale Onlus,
- Fr. Stefan and the group from Hadamar – Germany,
- “We For Zambia” – (Maria Pia Martini),
- For the local communities – manpower.
- Institute of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi
- St. Francis Province (Provincial Curia)
- Our Lady of Fatima Community for their manpower provided.
- And many individuals like: Lorenzo Bianchini, etc....

We would like to sincerely thank you for being good collaborators in this desired goal for the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Assisi in St. Francis Province.

Wishing you God’s blessing in all your endeavors.

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**FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ASSISI
DAGAMA NUTRITION CENTRES
FINANCIAL REPORT 2019**

SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE – 2019.

| MONTH. | CUMULATIVE BALANCE | RECEIPTS. | EXPENSES. | BALANCE. |
|------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| JANUARY | K 2,835.64 | K205,384.45 | K36,488.83 | K171,731.26 |
| FEBRUARY | K171,731.26 | K 226.27 | K24,283.94 | K147,673.59 |
| MARCH | K147,673.59 | K 181.22 | K41,089.18 | K106,765.63 |
| APRIL | K106,765.63 | K 2,004.02 | K45,552.60 | K 63,217.05 |
| MAY | K 63,217.05 | K 8,450.88 | K60,330.90 | K 11,337.03 |
| JUNE | K 11,337.03 | K 18,983.43 | K18,967.63 | K 11,352.87 |
| JULY | K 11,352.87 | K 12,866.20 | K22,866.20 | K 1,352.87 |
| AUGUST | K 1,352.87 | K206,542.95 | K35,178.94 | K172,716.88 |
| SEPTEMBER | K172,716.88 | K 229.02 | K33,425.35 | K139,520.55 |
| OCTOBER | K139,520.55 | K 54,791.69 | K143,771.51 | K 50,540.73 |
| NOVEMBER | K 50,540.73 | K 16,340.75 | K17,271.53 | K 49,609.95 |
| DECEMBER | K 49,609.95 | K 15,101.05 | K48,938.31 | K 15,772.69 |
| | | K541,101.97 | K528,164.92 | |

SUMMARY:

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|---|---------------------------|
| BALANCE B/FORWARD AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 2018 | K 2,835.64 |
| FUNDS RECEIVED IN JANUARY 2019 | K169,500.00 |
| “ AUGUST 2019 | K206,250.00 |
| SUB TOTAL | K378,585.64 |
| OTHER SOURCES. | K165,351.97 |
| SUB TOTAL | K543,937.61 |
| LESS TOTAL EXPENSES | K528,164.92 |
| BALANCE C/FORWARD | K 15,772.69 |
| BALANCE AT HAND. | <u>K 15,772.69</u> |

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