



Who is Mashambanzou Care Trust (MCT)?

Mashambanzou Care Trust (MCT) is a registered Private Voluntary Organization (PVO) (WO 9/90), based in Harare. It was founded in 1989 by Sister Noreen Nolan of the Little Company of Mary (LCM) Sisters of the Roman Catholic Church, in response to the HIV pandemic amongst poor communities. Work in communities is premised on dissemination of accurate information on HIV and AIDS, offering care and support to people living with HIV (PLHIV) and raising awareness on prevention of the further spread of HIV. Home Based Care (HBC), Palliative Care and HIV prevention awareness campaigns are among some of the interventions carried out.

Mashambanzou has evolved over the years to focus not only on PLWHIV but also on the family and society as a means of mitigating the effects of the disease. Innovatively, MCT established a Family Centred Support (FCS) model which aims to reduce vulnerabilities associated with HIV and



Our Work

poverty among people living with, and those affected by HIV and AIDS. Through a wide array of projects, Mashambanzou Care Trust provides the following:

- ◆ Treatment of HIV related opportunistic infections
- ◆ Family centred support to families and children affected by HIV and AIDS
- ◆ Economic empowerment for families affected by HIV and AIDS
- ◆ Information towards prevention of HIV transmission, HIV related stigma and discrimination
- ◆ Educational and Nutritional support to orphans and vulnerable children (OVCs)
- ◆ Awareness raising on Sexual Reproductive and Health Rights (SRHR) to teen mothers, sex workers and communities at large
- ◆ Critical Information on child protection and safeguarding

Our Legacy

MCT has over the years established systems and structures that, through Community Centred Projects, continues to work towards poverty alleviation, creating and maintaining:

◆ Integrated Health Service Delivery

Improved health outcomes among target groups especially People Living with HIV and AIDS (PLWHA) through comprehensive integrated health service delivery.

◆ OVC Support

Orphans and Vulnerable Children empowered through holistic support (education, PSS, birth registration, nutrition) to reach their full potential

◆ Promotion of Human Rights

Inclusive Institution and Communities tolerant and respectful to divergence, differences and are fully socially inclusive of disabilities and vulnerabilities and also able to advocate and hold duty bearers accountable

◆ Community Strengthening

Communities with capacity to sustainably respond to the needs of the vulnerable

◆ Institutional Development

Sustainable, visible, effective and efficient MCT providing services and significantly causing an impact to vulnerable communities

MCT also facilitates:

- ◆ Strengthening of Social and Health Systems
- ◆ Awareness campaigns on:
 - Prevention of HIV and STIs transmission
 - Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights to women and adolescent girls
- ◆ Gender Equality and Equity
- ◆ Training and mentoring community-based caregivers and facilitators

MCT implements Family Centred Projects that emphasize various ways of:

- ◆ Encouraging Anti-Retroviral Treatment adherence
- ◆ Reducing HIV related stigma and discrimination
- ◆ Alleviation of poverty through cost effective means and ways
- ◆ Child protection and safeguarding – reunification and placement of children in need of care
- ◆ Support on acquisition of identity documents birth records, birth certificates and identity documents

Individual Centred Care and Support

- ◆ Promoting onsite HIV testing and ART adherence support
- ◆ HIV and AIDS Counselling
- ◆ Support for discordant couples and those living with or affected by HIV
- ◆ Treatment of opportunistic diseases
- ◆ Education support for vulnerable children
- ◆ Response to violence and abuse towards children
- ◆ Support and counselling of survivors

Vision

AIDS free, resilient and empowered communities.

Mission

To realize healthy, socially inclusive communities, free of AIDS; through provision of comprehensive HIV services, OVC support services, promotion of Human Rights and community strengthening

Values

Participation, Compassion, Transparency & Accountability, Human Dignity, and Empowerment.



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