

## Report back to The Funding Network

### 1. Name of your organisation and date funded by TFN:

Funding from TFN was given to the Nyaka AIDS Orphans Project in January 2016.

### 2. What was the project you sought funding for from TFN?

What are its aims and objectives? Have these changed since receiving TFN funding?

Funding was sought after for the Sexual Assault Program. The main objective was to hire a social worker to teach and counsel students and community members that are part of the Nyaka AIDS Orphans Project. The program provides community education to teach people about sexual assault, which helps to ensure that cases are reported and the guilty are held accountable. Funding was also sought after to keep a lawyer on retainer to provide legal aid to sexual assault survivors. The Kwerinda House is also available to provide safe shelter to survivors and their families along with counselling.

A change in the program in 2016 was forming a new partnership with another non-profit organization. We partnered with the EDJA Foundation ([www.edjafoundation.org](http://www.edjafoundation.org)) to help combat sexual assault and increase awareness and support for victims.

### 3. Were you able to do this work as you described it in your application and presentation?

Yes

No

What evidence do you have for the success or failure of the funded project?

Yes, the project has been a success! A full-time social worker named John has been hired. He submits quarterly reports about his work. I have attached his latest report for your review.

### 4. If you were not able, please explain what happened and why?

Can you quantify any changes? Eg ...expanding number of employees, number of projects, geographical scope.

### 5. Can you measure, assess or describe the change that happened as a result of this work?

What actual change did the funded project generate? What proportion of the project/work did TFN fund (eg all/x%)?

The program gives students a piece of mind knowing that they are protected from predators and if an incidence does occur, they have advocates who will be there for them. The funds from TFN were used to jumpstart the Sexual Assault Program. There was 70% used to fund the full-time social workers salary and 30% went to general funding to cover the lawyers retainer fee, trainings, therapy, holding fees and other program logistics.

### 6. As a result of presenting at TFN, did you experience any of the following;

new subscribers to your mailing list- yes

new volunteers to your organisation- no

further funding from individual donors- yes  
further funding from institutional funders- no  
an introduction that benefited your organisation (e.g. to an individual, business or other organisation)- yes

other benefit (please describe)- Changing the lives and attitudes of many people in Nyaka and the surrounding villages.

**7. Could you give us an estimate of how many people have been reached by the TFN funded project/work and by how much?**

There have been 137 people directly reached by the TFN funding. Twenty of them are victims and their families, and 81 are staff members, students, religious leaders, local politicians, prominent community members, police officers, and the State Attorney.

**8. Can you tell us any personal stories to highlight the value of funding from TFN?**

The first sexual assault case that was reported to Nyaka AIDS Orphans Project was from a 9 year old girl who was raped by a 35 year old man. She told teachers at the school and was given medical attention but it was soon realized that we were not prepared for something like this. Thanks to funding from TFN, we are now able to provide counselling and protection to victims. We are also able to pay the holding fees to keep attackers in jail, which is usually a families responsibility and too high of a fee for them. Today, the young girl has gone from victim to victor! She is in school and doing great.

**9. Since presenting at TFN, has your organisation undergone any significant change(s) which our donors would be interested to know about (these changes do not need to be related to the experience of presenting at TFN).**

The building of the Nyaka Vocational Secondary School (NVSS) continues and is close to completion. The 3<sup>rd</sup> class of students will be entering when school begins in February. We also had a documentary about Nyaka premiere in December 2016, it's called Cornerstone.

**10. Do you have any other comments regarding TFN funding?**

We want to thank you for all you do around the world!

**11. Can you please include any relevant photos or clips that may relate to the project.**

Here are photos of the new social worker, John, with students and photos of trainings. For confidentiality, we have not included any photos of sexual assault victims or their family members.



John the social worker at Kutamba Primary School



Community training about sexual assault awareness



John the social worker at Nyaka Vocational Secondary School (NVSS)



EDJA Foundation founder training Nyaka staff about Gender Based Violence