

# The African Network for the Prevention and Protection against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN) Regional Office



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## List of Acronyms

AKIN	African Kids in Need
CAN	Child Abuse and Neglect
CBO	Community Based Organization
CCIs	Charitable Children Institutions
CCRAs	Community Child Rights Ambassadors
CHD	Child Help Desk
CLAN	Children’s Legal Action Network
CMI	Chr. Michelsen Institute
CPC	Child Protection Centres
CSA	Child Sexual Abuse
CSOs	civil Society Organizations
CST	Child Sex Tourism
DCLC	District Child Labour Committees
DCW	Deaf Child Worldwide
DFID	Department for International Development
EARC	Education, Assessment and Resource Centres
ECPIK	End Child Prostitution in Kenya
FBOs	Faith Based Organization
HIV/AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus / Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
IEC	Information, Education and Communication
IGA	Income Generation Activities
KCSE	Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education
KNAD	Kenya National Association of the Deaf
KSL	Kenya Sign Language
MOE	Ministry of Education
NCCS	National Council of Children’s Services
NCPT	Nairobi Child Protection Team
NGO	Non Governmental Organization
OVC	Orphans and Vulnerable Children
PHP	Physical and Humiliating Punishment
PSP	Post Secondary Programme
SEC	Sexual Exploitation of Children
SME	Small and Medium Enterprise
ToTs	Training of Trainers
TWG	Technical Working Group
UNCRC	United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child
UNICEF	United Nations Children’s Fund

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## THE YEAR IN BRIEF

The year 2012 started with the hosting of the Second International Conference in Africa on Child Sexual Abuse in March in Accra, Ghana. The Conference was a follow-up to the First Conference held in 2007 in Nairobi, Kenya. The well attended conference drew together more than 200 delegates representing 34 countries from around the world. ANPPCAN organizes thematic conferences on children's issues in Africa in order to generate debate, advocate and lobby governments and stakeholders on the issues.



*A section of delegates following proceedings during the Second International Conference in Africa on Child Sexual Abuse*

ANPPCAN owes great gratitude to Plan Netherlands and Save the Children International for the support of the Conference, enabling many delegates from Africa to attend the Conference. The same is extended to valued partners

such as UNICEF who made huge contributions by supporting delegates and their staff to enrich the Conference. Finally, for those who travelled far and wide to come and share.

In the same month, ANPPCAN with the support of Save the Children hosted a workshop in Zanzibar on physical and humiliating punishment and all forms of cruel or degrading punishments of children. Some 50 participants attended the meeting, drawn from seven countries in the Eastern Africa region, namely; Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda. The meeting provided delegates with lobbying techniques towards achieving a total ban on corporal punishment.

The Exchange of Personnel programme progressed well with four chapters and the Regional Office taking part. The chapters were Ethiopia, Liberia, Uganda and Zambia. The Regional Office seconded two staff to the programme who were attached at ANPPCAN Liberia and ANPPCAN Uganda. In the programme, two participants from Ethiopia and Liberia were hosted at the Regional Office and were attached at the Child Protection and Response Centre and Accounts Office respectively.

The programme had its last phase in the year. ANPPCAN is proud to have participated in the programme with over 100 staff having taken part. Many success stories emerged, including drawing the network closer, discovering what each chapter was doing and knowing the strengths and weaknesses of the Chapters. The two exchange participants who took part in the programme in the previous year in Ghana and Uganda returned and joined the workforce at the Regional Office.

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In the year under review, ANPPCAN entered into partnership with Daystar University to host the Family Studies program. The programme is meant to address gaps in knowledge and practice as shown by studies conducted by ANPPCAN. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed with Daystar University on the Family Studies programme in July 2012. The MOU aims at creating strategic partnership between ANPPCAN and Daystar University, to offer a certificate course in Family Studies, Post Graduate Diploma in Child Development and Masters Degree in Child Development. The Institute for Child Development at Daystar University started offering



*(L to R) Dr Philista Onyango, ANPPCAN, Prof James Kombo & Dr Alice Munene, Daystar University during the signing of the MOU*

these courses from August 2012. The two organizations also agreed to collaborate on other areas as well, including undertaking joint research, conferences, symposiums and publication of relevant journals.

Within the network, ANPPCAN chapters across Africa recorded renewed growth and successful transition in leadership. ANPPCAN Kenya sailed through a turbulent period when it faced management and governance crisis. However, with the support of ANPPCAN Regional Office, a new country director, Mr Alloys Opiyo, took over the leadership of the

chapter and the organization is back on its feet running programmes on child protection in Kenya. Elsewhere, the long serving country director of ANPPCAN Uganda, Deogratius Yiga, left the chapter for private consultancy and passed the mantle to Anslem Wandega. The transition at the chapter was un-eventful owing to the mentorship provided by the outgoing country director. Similarly, ANPPCAN Tanzania had a new country director, William Justine Mallya, who took over from Christine Kyaruzi who was in acting capacity for four years. His vast experience in the sector is hoped to accelerate programme levels in the chapter and return it to the once vibrant chapter of ANPPCAN.

At the Regional Office, a lenient team of 21 staff comprising of the administration, programme officers and the support staff continued to run programmes and activities on child protection. In the year under review, Isaac Kiema, formely the coordinator for the Rights of Deaf Children and their Families in Kenya, left the programme and his position was filled by Lillian Ndombera. Another new staff, Aggrey Willis Otieno, also joined the team as a programme officer. ANPPCAN salutes Mr Kiema for the job well done in breaking the ground for the project in Kenya while wishing him great success in his new call at the Kenya Federation of Kenya Employers (FKE) and also welcomes Lillian and Aggrey to the programme and to ANPPCAN.

### **Interns and Volunteers**

In the year under review, ANPPCAN hosted three interns from the local universities and colleges. The first one was from Mount Kenya University, who was pursuing a course in Development Studies with skills on website and social media. The intern was hosted at the Information Centre from where he offered services to a number of programmes in the organization.

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The other two interns were from Maseno University and Tangaza College taking courses in sociology. The two interns were hosted at the ANPPCAN Child Protection and Response Centre, where they provided back-up services to the staff in the department, including data entry for children under the Education Sponsorship Programme supported by the Centre; making follow-up on the sponsored children and offering counseling services to the children and their parents.

ANPPCAN Regional Office thanks all the interns and volunteers who worked in the various programmes in the year for their invaluable services.

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## REGIONAL LEVEL ACTIVITIES

ANPPCAN conducts activities at two levels, that is, at the national level (Kenya specific, since it is registered in Kenya) and at the regional level. The regional level programmes involve national chapters of ANPPCAN with programme activities spanning more than one country. The programmes focus on regional issues that have been identified by ANPPCAN and whose intervention requires the involvement of governments and actors in the different countries across Africa. Below are some of the regional programmes implemented by ANPPCAN Regional Office in the year 2012.

### ***The Exchange of Personnel Programme***

ANPPCAN Exchange of Personnel programme marked its tenth and last phase in the year under review. In the programme, ANPPCAN Regional Office and its chapters in Africa exchange staff for a period of up to one year. The participant works and lives in the host country, contributes to knowledge and programme activities of the host organization and also shares experiences and skills gained with the home organization upon return.

Participants who took part in the programme in the year were selected during a planning meeting in held in Kampala, Uganda in 2011. During the planning session, representatives from the Regional Office, Ethiopia, Liberia, Zambia and Uganda, discussed and agreed on the modalities of exchanging participants.



*ANPPCAN Chapter heads in a review and planning meeting for the Exchange programme in October in Kampala, Uganda*

Each of the participating chapters and the Regional Office had specific objectives

which they wanted to achieve within the overall goal of the Exchange programme during the period. The Regional Office sent out two participants to Liberia and Uganda and received two participants from the same countries. The 2 participants were sent to Ethiopia and Liberia respectively and received 2 participants from the same countries. However, the participant sent to Ethiopia was re-routed to Uganda due to the new government policy which imposed strict regulations on volunteer work in the country.

In June 2012, a review meeting for the Exchange programme was held in Nairobi, Kenya. The meeting deliberated on the progress made in the current phase of the programme and the way forward for the network in Africa given it was the last phase of the programme.

ANPPCAN greatly benefited from the programme, lasting for a decade with 97 staff graduating from the programme and reaching out to 13 Chapters of ANPPCAN and the Regional Office. ANPPCAN was the pioneer of the South to South Exchange programme, in which the Exchange involved staff within its network in Africa. Thus, the concept of South to South helped the network and other organizations that adopted the model, to discover the talents and opportunities as well as strengths and weaknesses from within their organizations. For instance, the mode of Exchange enabled ANPPCAN Chapters to share ideas and experiences, monitor itself and confront unique challenges.

Growth of the chapters was noticeable with some moving from loose organizations to strengthened institutions. The programme also enhanced partnerships with other like-minded groups, thus improving visibility of the network in Africa. At the Regional Office, the programme strengthened efforts on wealth creation (generating resources) through its Vision 2014. It also facilitated the identification of regional issues on child protection, which were addressed through regional and international conferences and forums.

## ***The Second International Conference in Africa on Child Sexual Abuse***

The Second International Conference in Africa on Child Sexual Abuse was held in March 2012 in Accra, Ghana. The theme of the Conference was **taking Stock of the Status of Child Sexual Abuse in Africa since the First International Conference in Africa on Child Sexual Abuse in 2007.**

The Conference aimed at offering an opportunity for stakeholders to reflect on what had been done on child sexual abuse in various countries in Africa since the First Conference in Nairobi. Four years after the Nairobi Conference, many efforts had been made in research on child sexual abuse and in strengthening child protection systems. However, it was still

evident from several sources, including UNICEF's State of the World's Children Report of 2011, that child sexual abuse was still rampant and that services available to abused children in most African countries were concentrated in the capital cities.

The Conference was organized by ANPPCAN Regional Office in collaboration with ANPPCAN Ghana with the support from Plan Netherlands and Save the Children. More than 200 delegates, representing 30 countries from around the world attended the Conference. The following were the main highlights of the Conference:



*Dr Philista Onyango, ANPPCAN making remarks during the Second International conference in Africa on Child Sexual Abuse*

- Substantial efforts have been made on research, education and advocacy on child sexual abuse Africa
- The financial and human resources allocated to child sexual abuse by African governments are inadequate. Subsequently, most of the interventions are driven by civil society organisations and international non-governmental agencies
- The need to domesticate and implement international and regional child protection instruments providing for child sexual abuse
- Majority of parents and child caregivers were ignorant of the dangers that the new information and communication technologies posed to children
- The role of parents and professionals in engendering safe environments for children was emphasised
- Harmful cultural practices and beliefs that perpetuate child sexual abuse abound in the continent
- Children who are vulnerable to child sexual abuse are also at a high risk of other forms of abuse, particularly being infected by HIV

The Conference made the following recommendations:

#### **Preventive approaches**

- Scaling up investment in preventive interventions on child sexual abuse
- Investing more in research on child sexual abuse so that response programmes could be evidence-based
- Governments must play a central role in preventive and responsive efforts in child sexual abuse
- Proactive and deliberate actions at the family, community and national levels to protect all children from child sexual abuse

#### **Support and empowerment**

- Supporting survivors of child sexual abuse and their families to facilitate recovery and reintegration into the society
- Supporting and empowering children and survivors of child sexual abuse to play a more active role in protecting children from child sexual abuse and also speak out in order to break the culture of silence
- The survivors of CSA should speak out publicly to bring out the reality of child sexual abuse and encourage other victims to open up and seek help
- Educating children, young people, parents and the general public on child sexual abuse in order to reduce stigma on the victims

#### **Strengthening child protection systems**

- Government and NGOs to support, build, strengthen and provide resources to national child protection systems
- Increasing work-force in the field of social work, counselling and psychotherapy and to provide adequate and on-going training to teachers, caregivers, police and the judicial staff

#### **Building partnerships**

- Initiating and sustaining partnerships and collaboration across professions, different

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sectors as well as between governments and non-governmental actors in order to engender a more sustainable response to child sexual abuse

- Forming coalitions and establishing confidential help-lines to protect children in Africa

## **Strengthening the Capacities of ANPPCAN Chapters in Child Protection**

The goal of this programme is to improve child protection through building the institutional and programme capacities of ANPPCAN Regional Office and four chapters in Africa. The programme does this in several ways, ranging from improving governance and management, strengthening the institutional capacity in programming to empowering the chapters to advocate for creation and strengthening of child protection systems in their countries.

Four ANPPCAN Chapters benefited from the capacity building programme. These were Tanzania, Mauritius, Sierra Leone and Rwanda. The following were some of the activities that were conducted by the programme at the Regional Office and Chapters during the period.

### Regional Office

- Training of the Regional board on resource mobilization and partnerships
- Revision of the organizational chart for the Regional Office

### Chapter level

- Reviewed and reconstituted boards with the inclusion of professionals. The board members were trained on their roles and functions.
- Reviewed constitution-align them with that of the Regional Office.
- Developed operational manuals, including human resource, financial and child protection policy as well as governance manual
- Development of strategic plans and work-plans to operationalise the strategic plans
- Forging partnerships with other NGOs to strengthen National Child Protection systems

In programming and service delivery to children, the chapters joined in the efforts towards strengthening child protection systems spearheaded by governments and other stakeholders in their countries. ANPPCAN Tanzania, for instance, teamed up with the National Child Protection Working Group at the national level and the District Child Protection Team and Implementers Partners Group at the district level in the country. There were also various activities that were conducted in the other three countries towards the same goal.

On their part, Sierra Leone and Mauritius stepped efforts in reviewing the state of children in their respective countries and sharing the results with others.

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## **Regional Workshop on Physical and Humiliating Punishment**

In the year under review, a desk review on prohibition and elimination of physical/corporal punishment and other forms of cruel and degrading punishment was conducted covering seven countries of the Eastern Africa countries. The countries were Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania and Uganda. The desk review report was validated in a workshop held in Zanzibar.



*Delegates follow proceedings during the workshop on physical and humiliating punishments in March in Zanzibar*

The workshop was attended by 55 delegates drawn from the national Technical Working Groups (TWGs), particularly the ministries of children, education and justice as well as civil society organizations from the 7 countries comprising the Eastern Africa region.

Besides validating the desk review, the workshop also build the capacity of participants from the seven countries on achieving a total ban on corporal punishment through legal reform and positive discipline. Each technical working group from the 7 Eastern Africa countries looked at their country specific situation, reviewed their work-plans, conducted meetings and shared outcomes and the challenges they experienced. National plans of action were designed and reviewed to actively engage the relevant actors in the area of physical and humiliating punishments (PHP) and corporal punishment in the seven countries to address gaps in legal reform.

Later in the year, the 7 countries made strides in addressing corporal punishment in the region. A Regional Reference Group (RGG) was formed to enhance cooperation, promote cohesion, oversee activities, lobby and advocate for law reform through the country's technical working groups to push issues of corporal punishment high on the national agenda.

The RRG met twice to refine the terms of reference, strategies and incorporate regional bodies working in the areas of PHP and positive child disciplining. A Terms of Reference with clear objectives and roles was developed and agreed upon by the partners as a working document.

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## NATIONAL LEVEL ACTIVITIES

Besides regional activities, ANPPCAN Regional Office also runs a number of national programmes and activities on child protection. This is in line with the national legislation in Kenya that stipulates that organizations registered in Kenya must implement programmes and provide services to children in the country. In some instances, the national level activities complement regional activities. The programmes are discussed below.

### ***The Rights for Deaf Children and their Families in Kenya***

The Rights for Deaf Children and their Families in Kenya is being implemented in five counties in Kenya, namely, Embu, Kajiado, Kitui and Mumias. The year saw activities of the programme being expanded to three other counties namely Nandi, Kwale and Nyandarua. Below is an overview of the activities conducted by the programme during the period.

#### ***Empowering Parents of Deaf Children***

A Training of Trainers workshop was held in Kapsabet and was attended by 6 Education, Assessment and Resource Coordinators (EARC) coordinators and 15 ToTs. Topics covered during the training included the causes of deafness,

parenting and communication skills, group dynamics and management, child rights and protection, policies and legislations affecting deaf children. Other topics were community mobilization strategies, social support services available for deaf children and the use of role models.



***Training of Trainers in progress in Kapsabet District, Nandi County***

Six EARC coordinators from the three new counties attended a planning and two learning meetings in Nairobi in March, June and September respectively. This increased their capacity on media advocacy, networking and partnership building, information, education and communication (IEC) material development and the use of the Kenya Sign Language (KSL) Handbook to educate families on the sign language.

#### **Advocacy**

Project counties celebrated the Day of the African Child on June 16, whose theme was *The Rights of Children with Disabilities: The Duty to Protect, Respect, Promote and Fulfill*. ANPPCAN re-adapted the theme to *Deaf Children have rights too – it is our duty to protect, respect, promote and fulfil them*. The four regions took part in the celebrations in which deaf children expressed themselves through songs, dances and sports.

Elsewhere, this year's International Deaf Awareness Week was commemorated on September 24 – 30, 2012. The theme of the week was *sign bilingualism is a human right*. The twin projects, thus, the Rights for Deaf Children Today and Empowering Families of Deaf Children to Advocate for their Rights again re-adapted this to *deaf children have rights too - provide them with information to make informed choices and access services*.

Parents support groups and EARC coordinators in the seven counties joined other institutions for the deaf in marking the Week. They also used the media to engage the public on the challenges facing deaf children in the country. Service providers in the education, health, judiciary and employment sectors were urged to support deaf children and young deaf adults in the community.



*Children hold a march to mark the International Deaf Awareness Week in Meru County*



*Parents hold a march to mark the International Deaf Awareness Week*

Parents also held processions to educate the public on deafness. In Meru County, the parents delivered a memorandum demanding for better service delivery to deaf children and adults in the health, education and employment sectors during a march to the District Commissioner's office in Chuka town. The Mwingi Parents Support group held a joint procession with parents from Embu region through Mwingi town, raising awareness on the education and inclusion of deaf children on matters concerning them.

Upon the release of the results of the Kenya Certificate of Primary Education examinations, parents of the deaf children used cluster groups as platforms to ensure their deaf children secured placement in the secondary schools for the deaf.

### *Networking*

Parent support groups increased their visibility and engagement in advocacy on deaf children's rights. Embu Region nominated a representative to attend a training by the National Council for Persons with Disabilities. The Meru South cluster group got representation at the district level

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Disability Rights Forum on the Kenyan Constitution. Parents of deaf children in Mumias participated in civic education forums on the rights of disabled persons.

Kajiado Region parents teamed up with the Young Voices, a youth advocacy group on disability, to raise awareness on deafness. Working in collaboration with the Ear Drop, 70 cases of children were assessed for deafness in Loitokitok District and referrals made to the Kajiado EARC office and other hospitals. The region produced and shared out a documentary on the project's activities with the support of the Ministry of Information.

The project reached out to the Deaf Forum and Caucus for Constitutional Implementation in Nandi County and also the Coast region's chapter of the Kenya National Association of the Deaf (KNAD). These helped in creating further linkages for the Kajiado EARC office on the support services available in the countries.

## ***Children as stakeholders in advocating for their rights***

The goal of the Child Participation Programme is to prevent and respond to all forms of child abuse and exploitation by empowering children as advocates of their own rights and those of orphans and other vulnerable children. It targets orphans and other vulnerable children with activities to minimize stigma. The children have started to embrace each other thus enhancing their self-esteem. Their participation in social activities and in education has remarkably improved. The programme operates in two districts in Kenya, namely, Busia and Loitokitok and works mainly through child rights clubs in schools.

### **Achievements**

#### ***Exchange and Sharing forums***

A five-member team drawn from the Child Participation Committee in Loitokitok District held an exchange visit to Busia District in March 2012. During the exchange visit, they held discussions with members of the Child Rights Clubs in 3 schools and the Busia Child Participation Committee (CPC).

Sharing forums were also conducted in Busia and Loitokitok districts involving Child Help Desk representatives from 30 schools in the two districts. The participants shared experiences that further strengthened the Child Help Desks (CHDs). Key areas addressed included activities conducted by the CHDs, the Child Rights Clubs as well as achievements made, challenges and the lessons learned.



***Members of the Child Rights Clubs in 3 schools perform during the sharing sessions in Busia District***

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In May 2012, ANPPCAN Regional Office hosted 2 staff from a Community OVC Psychosocial Support Programme in Malawi. The team was supported by HOPEHIV to visit, learn and share experiences with the teams spearheading child participation programme in Loitoktok District. This gave members of the two organisations an opportunity to learn and share experiences in child rights and protection.

A key area of learning for the team during the meeting was implementation strategies used by the Child participation Programme, namely capacity building, child protection structures, child rights clubs, child help desks and awareness creation on child rights.

### *Child Rights Clubs' Music Festival*

In Loitoktok District, a music festival was held at the Loitoktok Social Hall and was attended by 150 Child Rights Club members. In Busia District, the activity was held at the Busia Agricultural Training Centre and was attended by 156 Child Rights Club members. The CRC members presented songs, poems and dances with themes on child rights, child protection as well as child abuse. The best performances were awarded certificates.

### *Awareness creation and partnership building*

Child rights awareness raising for opinion leaders was conducted in Loitoktok District to enhance knowledge on child rights and protection. The forum reached 44 community youth groups, representatives of religious groups, opinion leaders, chiefs and the Loitoktok District Child Participation Committee members.

Elsewhere, a networking and partnership building forum for child protection was conducted in **Loitoktok** and Busia districts. Participants to the forum were drawn from the Child Rights Club patrons, Child Help Desk representatives, religious leaders and the School Management Committee Chairpersons. Representatives from key government ministries and departments in charge of children's officers operating at the district level shared their roles and responsibilities.

Those that took part in the included the provincial administration, the Kenya Police, the probation, Department of Children's Services and the ministries of Planning and National Development, Public Health and Sanitation.

## **Training**

In the year under review, the programme conducted several trainings targeting children and the school management committees. The trainings were aimed at enhancing knowledge of children and the SMCs on child rights and protection and also empowering the SMCs to realize children's rights.

A child rights training for the old and new schools was conducted in Busia and Loitoktok districts. The training focussed on child rights in general and in particular the international, regional and national legal instruments providing for children's rights. They were also trained on the various categories of child rights, the forms and symptoms of child abuse and places to report cases of child abuse and neglect. The training reached 244 children.

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School Management Committee (SMC) members from 10 new schools added into the programme in Busia and Loitoktok districts were also trained on child rights, abuse and psychosocial support. Some 38 participants from the SMC in the two districts were reached over the training. The SMC members were trained on child rights, abuse and supporting services for abused children, including psychosocial support. The various forms of abuse perpetrated against children were identified and various recommendations were generated. In Loitoktok District, the SMC cited female genital mutilation (FGM), early marriage, child labour, physical abuse and child neglect as the forms of abuse prevalent in the district.

In Busia District, the SMC identified child labour, drugs and substance abuse, neglect, sexual abuse, early marriage stigmatisation of HIV infected children, physical abuse and forced repetition in class children leading to school dropout as the common forms of child abuse in the district.

School Management Committee members from the new and old schools held a three-day training meeting on the initiation and management of IGAs to support OVCs targeted by the Child Participation Programme. The training empowered the members in the setting up and running of income generation activities (IGAs). Participants were trained using the *Best Starter Kit* from South Africa's Institute of Entrepreneurship. They were also trained on Community Economic Strengthening using Savings and Internal Lending Community Principles, a successful savings and loaning strategy benefiting many communities. The strategy was initiated by Care International in 1991.

### **a) Monitoring visit**

The objective of the monitoring visit was to assess progress made in implementing programme activities in Loitoktok District. The monitoring exercise was conducted in February 2012 by HOPE HIV Eastern Africa Regional Manager and ANPPCAN. During the exercise, various stakeholders involved in the implementation of the programme were reached and interviewed, including the Child Rights Club members, Child Help Desk representatives, Child Rights Club patrons, School Head Teachers, parents, the District Quality Assurance Officer and the District Children Officer (DCO).

Success stories came to the fore, among them that parents had been sensitized on child rights; that the programme was receiving adequate support from government departments and relevant ministries; and that all the stakeholders were actively involved in the implementation of the programme. There also existed good working relationship between the Child Rights Club patrons and the school administration.



*The Hope-HIV programme Manager meeting with members of the Child Protection Committee in PC in Loitoktok District*

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During the year, the programme partnered with the other CSOs and government departments in the implementation of its activities with a lot of success. Subsequently, the government recognized the good work of the programme and awarded the programme a certificate for the Best NGO on Child Rights in the region.

## **Child Protection and Response Centre**

The Child Protection and Response Centre is an in-house reporting and response desk for child abuse and neglect cases and offers psycho-social and referral services to abused children and their families. In the past two years, the Centre has been working to improve the delivery of children services in Nairobi, involving several organizations under the umbrella of the Nairobi Child Protection Team. The objective is to streamline response and referral of CAN cases in Nairobi and also build the capacity of the organizations in receiving and responding to child abuse and neglect.

In the year under year, the centre implemented activities aimed at strengthening the systems for Child Protection System in Nairobi and also run its popular education sponsorship programme under the Africa Kids in Need (AKIN) programme and the Kenyan Schoolhouse Programme. Specific activities conducted in these programmes are explained below.

### **Strengthening the Capacities of Service Providers in the Nairobi**

The Centre strengthened the capacities of service providers in the Nairobi Child Protection Team to effectively respond to cases of abuse. This began with a needs assessment conducted to 17 organizations operating in Nairobi to determine their training needs. The assessment highlighted issues of concern in the agencies providing child protection services, including referral mechanisms, lobbying and advocacy, interviewing skills, case recording, follow-up, among others.

Capacity building sessions were conducted to 50 service providers on referral systems to sharpen their skills in handling cases of CAN. The topics covered included conducting assessments, case management and interviewing, data collection, assessment skills and guidelines, treatment of trauma, sexual abuse and interview skills among others. Each agency nominated two representatives to attend the trainings.

Standardized referral forms and tools were developed and harmonized to capture vital information on cases of child abuse and neglect. These were case recording forms and referral



*The Nairobi Child Protection Team in a training session to sharpen their skills in handling cases of child abuse and neglect*

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forms. Efforts were made to harmonize the forms to capture useful information. All organizations in the team adopted the referral form and used it in recording data Child Abuse and Neglect. The Centre the child protection referral guidelines and shared it out with others.

Meetings were held every month to share ideas and follow up on matters that needed implementation after the training. The meetings enabled the team to review complex cases, share information and good practices.

A tool was developed to generate data on the cases handled and referred amongst the NCPT members. Between June and December 2012, a total number of 320 cases were handled by NCPT members of which 218 were females and 102 were males. The rate of abuse was higher for females as compared to males in the same year. CAN cases handled ranged from physical abuse, neglect, sexual abuse, abandonment to child labour.

Services that were offered to these children included legal aid, custody and maintenance, medical and counseling. Male children suffered a lot of physical abuse and neglect while girls were sexually abused and neglected. Most cases of custody and maintenance were resolved through legal redress where parents were counseled and guided on the process.

### ***The Kenyan School-house Programme***

The Kenyan Schoolhouse programme, popularly commonly known at ANPPCAN offices as the Len Morris programme, continued to support a number of children to realize their dream of education. The programme supported 34 students (19 females and 15 males) in various schools in Kenya. Of the number, 1 student was in primary school, 32 students in secondary school level and 1 student was in vocational training level.

The year also saw three students sit for their Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) examinations, thus, completing their secondary education. The overall academic performance of the children was impressive.

Beyond the school fee payment, the programme also supported families in the development of infrastructure. For example, one of the family in the programme was helped in finishing the roofing of their house that was left incomplete by their late father. Home visits were also made to identify and strengthen the relationship between the children their parents/ guardians. The visits made to the families led to renewed partnerships and getting to know each other.

### ***The African Child in Need Programme***

The year 2012 marked the second year of implementation of the African Child in Need (AKIN) Education Sponsorship Programme at ANPPCAN. Some 47 students were enrolled in the programme, of which 24 were females and 23 were males. Of the number, 3 students were in primary school, 35 in secondary school and 9 were in vocational training.

The Department also implemented the Post Secondary Programme for 27 students who had completed their Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) in 2010 and 2011. During the

year, the programme held a meeting with the students and their guardians in which the students were counched on career choices to help them identify courses of interest for tertiary colleges.



*A section of the AKIN students during a bonding retreat held at the Young Men Christian Association (YMCA), Central, Nairobi.*

Five students joined universities and the others were enrolled in middle level colleges. AKIN supported the students with tuition fee while their parents provided the other basic needs and upkeep. The programme was reviewed to enhance efficiency in service delivery and encourage parents' participation through cost sharing to lessen dependency. The roles of parents and children were clearly outlined to ensure there was a common understanding in supporting the students to continue with learning. Consultative meetings were held with parents to ensure they

took up their parental roles and responsibilities to support their children's education.

ANPPCAN would like to take this opportunity to thank Paul Miller of the AKIN project and Len Morris of the Kenya Schoolhouse programme for providing resources that enabled the children to receive an education and lead better lives and also improve the lives of their families.

## **Information, Documentation and Research**

The Resource Centre receives and organizes information materials and provides access to readers both staff and readers from other institutions. The Centre has accumulated a wide range materials from ANPPCAN's work and that of other organizations. The resource centre is an important referral point for information, books, and reports and journals on children issues for child rights actors and students from local universities and colleges.

Inclusions into the library in the year 2012 included specialized children journals, the International Society on the Prevention against Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPCAN)'s Child Abuse Journal, the State of the World Children and other journals and publications on children. Others include government publications such as the statistical index, the economic survey, policy documents and the Kenya's new constitution.



*A section of the resource centre*

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Also, received at the resource centre were periodic reports of various committees on the rights of children and women. Examples include reports of the African Union's African Committee of Experts on the Rights of the Child (ACERWC), Committee on the Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and reports of the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child.

### ***Providing support to programmes***

The Centre provided information and back-up services to the organization's programmes whether they were writing a project proposal, preparing for a seminar, workshop, conference or even holding a meeting with a partner organization. This was done through the provision of information materials such as brochures, flyers, report generation and publication of documents, as well as documentation of best practices for wider sharing, marketing and replication.

The Centre was the initial referral point for visitors to the organization, seeking to get an understanding on the activities, programmes and interventions in child protection. The Centre also provided logistical and technical support to programmes' information technology needs including accessing, installation of information technology (IT) related hardware and programmes.

### ***Research***

ANPPCAN with the support of Save the Children, Sweden, initiated a Literature Review on Prohibition and Elimination of Physical / Corporal Punishment in the Eastern Africa Region. The study covered seven countries comprising the East African region namely Ethiopia, Kenya, Sudan, South Sudan, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda.

The findings of the study were disseminated in a regional consultative forum held in March in Zanzibar and drew participants from the seven countries. It emerged that within the Eastern Africa region, there were several policies on children but most of them addressed the broader themes of child protection.

Although the policy environment is weak with regard to corporal punishment in the region, there are good programmes that are being implemented in Ethiopia, Kenya, the Sudan, South Sudan



*(L to R) Professors Hugo and Arne, and Tom Chavangi in a planning meeting on the study*

and Tanzania. These include sensitization for government officers, training of teachers, parents and school administration, awareness creation through the media and other creative arts and also technical support for civil society advocacy.

Elsewhere, ANPPCAN teamed up with Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI), Norway, to conduct a research on two areas. First, was the research on the Situation of Youth in Kibera, Nairobi and secondly, a research on corporal punishment of children also in the same community. ANPPCAN and CMI held planning meetings in Nairobi and drew a road map in

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executing the research. This included the identifying the 5 villages for the study, identification and training of the enumerators, schools for focus group discussions. Data collecting on the two components started in October and continued to the end of the year. The research generated a lot of information, to be analysed and disseminated in the coming year. The findings of the research will be useful in advocating the government and stakeholders on policies of the youth and on corporal punishment.

ANPPCAN also published two documents, first the child protection referral guidelines and the other the National Plan of Action on Sexual Exploitation of Children. The child protection referral guidelines were produced in partnership with the Nairobi Child Protection Team a network of 32 agencies which included key government bodies, NGOs, INGOs, CSOs and FBOs. It is anticipated that the guidelines will form the basis for all child protection and response activities by all children service providers not only in Nairobi but in the entire country in order to improve service delivery to children.

The National Plan of Action against Sexual Exploitation of Children in Kenya has been developed in the areas of prevention, protection, recovery and reintegration, coordination and cooperation, child participation as well as monitoring and evaluation. Sexual exploitation of children in Kenya is a matter of concern and a child protection issue which requires a holistic and integrated approach.

The NPA is the first tangible indication of Kenya's commitment to combat SEC in the country. It is expected to establish a clear roadmap on how SEC will be dealt with in the future, provide a holistic and comprehensive community based approach to address sexual exploitation of children and also be used as a reference by all stakeholders, children included. Through this plan of action, adequate resources will be allocated for the prevention and protection of children from sexual exploitation.

## ***Ending Child Prostitution in Kenya (ECPIK)***

The End Child Prostitution in Kenya (ECPIK), a network of several organizations that is hosted at ANPPCAN Regional Office continued to run activities to minimize child prostitution and all forms of sexual exploitation of children in Kenya. It conducted a number of activities aimed at training and raising awareness of the different stakeholders on sexual exploitation of children.

In the year under review, some 8 consultative and sensitization workshops were conducted in Nairobi and its environs targeting key stakeholders considered as agents or channels used by people to reach children for sexual exploitation. These included the provincial administration, police officers, religious leaders, social workers, local opinion leaders and prominent community persons in several communities in Nairobi.

The objects of the sensitization workshops were to raise awareness on child sexual abuse and exploitation, legal instruments protecting children from abuse, reporting mechanisms available for sexual abuse, sharing information on sexual exploitation and the role of key actors in protecting children from sexual exploitation.

The other groups or sectors targeted with sensitization and awareness raising were cybercafé operators, bus drivers, and the hotel industry. The cybercafé operators were targeted with knowledge and capacity building in order to promote child safety online. Similarly, the transport and hotel industries were identified as channels that people, especially the tourists, use to reach children for sexual exploitation. The workshops were therefore extended to include bar attendants, tax drivers, hotel workers, brothel owners and beach boys. Once the agents linked the tourist to a child, they got a commission in return. These agents were therefore targeted and sensitized on sexual abuse and exploitation of children to help in the fight against the vice.



*Protecting Children in the On-Line Environment: training for cybercafe operators in Nairobi*

Various recommendations were proposed during the workshops, key ones being strengthening the implementation of legislations on sexual abuse and exploitation and also the production and dissemination of IEC material to all.

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## Meetings Attended

ANPPCAN took part in various strategic national and regional forums and meetings to learn, share and also advance its position on child rights and child protection in general. Below are key forums and meetings where ANPPCAN was represented in the year.

### Third Session of the African Union Conference of Ministers of Social Development

ANPPCAN took part in the Third Session of the African Union Conference of Ministers of Social Development in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in November 2012 whose theme was 'Promoting the Rights and Welfare of Persons with Disabilities'. During the Conference, the experts considered policy, activities and organizational structures to improve the lives of persons with disabilities in the continent, measures to address the wellbeing of children and families in Africa and facilitate the implementation of the Social Policy Framework for Africa.

### Third Pan African Forum towards Africa Fit for Children

The organisation also participated in the Third Pan African Forum towards Africa Fit for Children in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 19 to 20 November, 2012. The forum was organized to review the decisions arrived at in Cairo, ten years ago (2001) when the first pan African Forum was held. The purpose of the meeting was to take stock of what member states have achieved and to discuss what actions can be taken for greater and more targeted investment in children. The theme of the Forum was Accountability for Investment in Children.

### World Day against Child Labour (WDACL)



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ANPPCAN Regional Office, alongside other organizations under the coordination of the Ministry of Labour organized the World Day against Child Labour, June 12, 2012. The day was celebrated by stakeholders, including children at the Kenya School of Monetary Studies, Nairobi.

The theme of the Day was Human Rights and Social Justice lets End Child Labour. ANPPCAN Regional Office installed exhibited its work, mainly publications and IEC materials generated over the period of the project enhance awareness on Child Labour.

ANPPCAN participated in the Day by

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mounting an exhibition desk with its publications and information, education and communication (IEC) materials.

## National Guidelines for the Alternative Care of Children

ANPPCAN took part in a meeting on the development of the National Guidelines for Alternative Care which took place in October 2012 in Naivasha. The purpose of the National Guidelines for Alternative Care is to enhance the current Kenyan Legal framework and existing practices for children without parental care and those at risk of being separated from their parents. There was a cross section representation of stakeholders at the meeting including CSOs, Charitable Children's Organizations and members from Department of Children Services. ANPPCAN was represented at the meeting by the Communications Officer.

## Enhancing Partnerships

ANPPCAN received a number of visitors who were seeking to know more about the programmes, initiate partnership with ANPPCAN and connect with programme beneficiaries of their programmes. Key visitors in the year were from Terre des Homes, Nairobi office; the National Office for Child Welfare, Sabah Association for Child Care and Development, and the Child Rights Institute - all from Sudan; and Save the Children, Ethiopia.

Others who visited ANPPCAN were celebrated personalities who through the years have shaped the lives of many children in Kenya through education sponsorship were Len Morris of Media Voices for Children and Paul Miller of the African Kids in Need (AKIN). The two visitors met with children supported by through their education sponsorship programmes and ANPPCAN staff as well. ANPPCAN will continue to support the efforts of individuals and organizations in helping children in Kenya and in Africa to realize a safe environment for their growth, development and education.



*Len Morris (second right) when he visited ANPPCAN in the year to meet with children supported in programme. With him are the directors and staff of ANPPCAN*

Dr Diana Chamrad, University Research Co., LLC (URC) visited ANPPCAN and initiated a programme on community partnerships for child protection systems. The programme will complement the National Child Protection Systems which is being spearheaded by the government and other actors in the children's sector.

Key appointments on the trustees, ambassadors and friends of ANPPCAN were made in the year under review. Prof. Octavian Gakuru, Lecturer, University of Nairobi, Mr. Fikre Haile Meskel, Managing Director, FINDY International Consultants and Prof. Nimrod Bwibo, Lecturer, Faculty

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of Medicine were appointed joined the board of trustees of ANPPCAN. Tom Chavangi from the Truth, Justice and Reconciliation Commission (TJRC) was appointed an attorney of ANPPCAN and Prof. Jaap E. Doek, Emeritus Professor of Law, Geneva was appointed a good will ambassador of ANPPCAN. Elsewhere, Len Morris, Media Voices for Children and Prof. Margaret Lynch, Emeritus Professor of Community Paediatrics were nominated as friends of ANPPCAN.

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# AUDIT REPORT

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## SCOPE

We have audited the financial statements set out on pages 4 to 7 for the year ended 31 December 2012 and have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit. The financial statements are in agreement with the books of accounts.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

The management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view of the organizations state of affairs and of its operating results. Our responsibility is to express an independent opinion on the financial statements based on our audit.

## BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards of Auditing. These Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

## OPINION

In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the organization and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the organization as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012 and of the results of its operations and its cash flow for the year then ended and comply with International Accounting standards when read in conjunction with notes on pages 8 to 12.

## **SIGNED**

Kubia & Company

Certified Public Accountants

Nairobi \_\_\_\_\_, 2013 Kenya

**AFRICAN NETWORK FOR THE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION AGAINST CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT (ANPPCAN)**

**AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2012**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2012**

	NOTE	2012 KSHS	2011 KSHS
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Computers & Printers	2	332,405	301,674
Motor vehicle	2	838,750	1,258,125
Furniture, Fittings & Equipments	2	70,725	82,513
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<b><u>CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>			
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Advances	3	1,318,445	95,639
Debtors			-
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<b><u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u></b>			
Payable	4	325,200	255,200
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>7,850,413</u>	<u>24,742,112</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>9,092,293</u>	<u>26,384,424</u>
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**Regional Director-ANPPCAN Regional Office**

**Signature:**.....

**Date.** 12.3.2013

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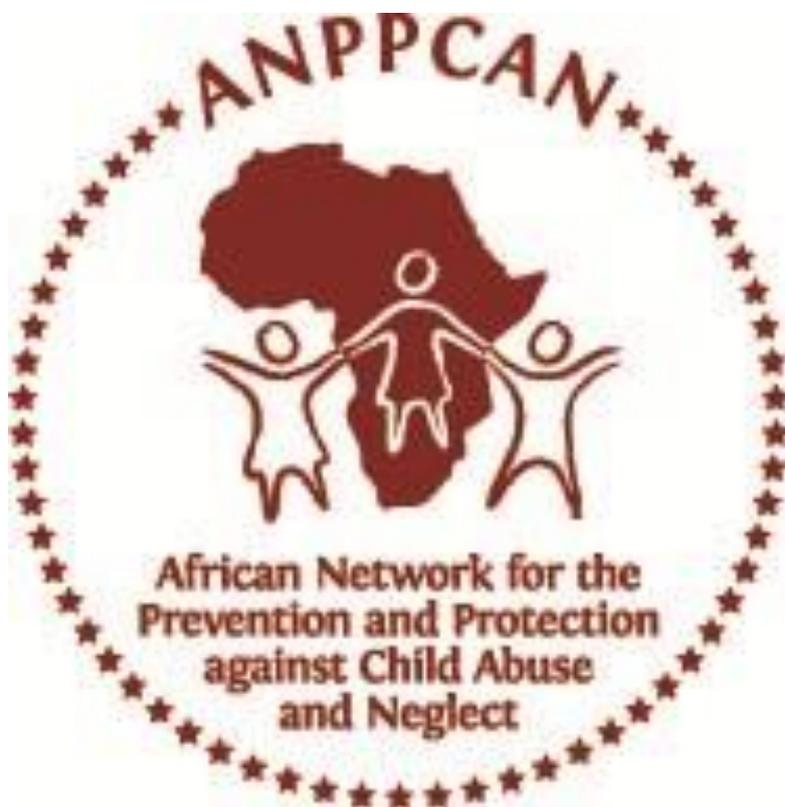
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