

PROFILE
OF
THE BUTTERFLY CENTRE BC.



Transitioning Lives through Hope and Healthy living

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LIST OF ACRONYMS

AOD: Alcohol and drug abuse

BC: The Butterfly Centre (BC)

HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus

ICT: Information Communication Technologies

PAG: Prevention Awareness Groups

SADC: Southern Africa Developmental Countries

SUD: Substance Use Disorders

TB: Tuberculosis (Tubercle Bacillus)

PET: Participatory Education Theatre

A- INTRODUCTION

The Butterfly Centre (BC) is an organisation that was established by 6 members with a common idea of transitioning lives.

The organisation is registered as a non-profit organisation with Rakai District department of community services, with the Registration No 19444/2018 in February 2018 and also registered with the registrar of Companies Uganda.

Butterfly centre (BC) founders have worked within a similar setting for over a period of 8 years intensively and extensively involved in the Human Rights promotion, Household and community economic transformation, Education, Nutrition and Food security, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS prevention care and treatment, Nutrition and food security, Giving psycho social support, handling the OVCs, Health care and other humanitarian activities.

This organisation was initiated after realising gaps among the stakeholders' i.e communities, families, schools and religious centres, government bodies among others who are key role players in the fight against human rights promotion, drug abuse, household and community economic transformation, Education, Health, water and sanitation among others.

The organisation is primarily concerned with helping the vulnerable children, defending and raising awareness of human rights, economic, social, and cultural. Employing local staff in its work, the organisation supports projects and programmes that promote the interests of poor and excluded people at all levels.

This program is solely developed in response to the need to heal psychological wellbeing's of the Ugandan youth and young generation across all strata and care for those who suffer from psycho-social health problems.

We are acting upon our dream so that people within the country, one can get free counselling and treatment, have communities free from drugs and other associated risks such as HIV/AIDS, Teenager pregnancies, crimes and all anti-social evils linked to drug abuse and other humanitarian activities, empowering the youth in and out of schools among others, those in schools acquire quality education, improved health care services and supporting those vulnerable children's most especially the orphans stay in school in our communities among others.

At The Butterfly Centre (BC) we believe "***If Takes a Village***" – that through collective action, communities build people and social capital for long lasting impact.

The Butterfly Centre (BC) is looking forward to get partnership with cooperate bodies, schools Communities and government institution to achieve a common goal.

- Since BC's program is well designed in practice and theory, it will be effective and efficient in providing a quality levelled services to all age strata.
- In Uganda the scope of the problem associated with addiction are vast and the demand for services far outstrips the available resources. The epidemic of the disease of addiction cuts across all age cohorts and all social-economic strata and show no sign of abating.
- Addiction is often directly linked with the transmission of infectious diseases such as HIV/AIDS and its lead to crimes. Through our work with health professionals, communities and families we aim at securing government and private sector participation in the provision of free rehabilitation treatment to the majority of Ugandans who are at present unable to afford the private services yet the need is urgent to both the addicts, families and the community at large.
- Currently addiction carries a social stigma and the various 12 step programs call for anonymity, thus many miracles of healing and restorations are kept from the public eye. Families feel uncomfortable to speak out about the addiction problems of their members, our program allows them to interacts freely and consult free and privately.
- BC organisation stands up for the rights of those who are in recovery and will work to remove discriminations associated with addiction disorders at work places, in the education system, the justice system and in the health care industry.
- In Uganda as in most countries across the globe, young people are more vulnerable to alcohol and illicit drug use. BC will support the effort of parents and educators in communicating the hard facts about alcohol and drug abuse to young persons in the school environment. The risks young people take when they experiment with drugs are high and this include teenage pregnancies, risk of HIV/AIDS infections and crimes and others end up orphans.

C- BC'S VISION,GOAL AND MISSION

A country where transitioning of lives and healthy living is empowered.

BC will be undertaking different projects around the country, working and having an impact upon the lives of hundreds of youth and children.

GOAL.

To ensures that practitioners, policy makers, parents, carers, religious leaders, educators, government institutions do play an effective role within our communities/

schools by equipping them with the best tools, information and machinery required for a sobriety society.

MISSION

To promote, human rights of the most vulnerable people, prevent substance abuse through community empowerment, engaging duty bearers and advocacy for accountability and quality services.

BC will be helping disconnected young people discover greatness within, by engaging, supporting and providing opportunities to encourage and facilitate positive life choices.

As an opted leading national NGO voice of OVCs, fight against drug prevention, human rights, we will work with our partners to reach out to children and young people.

VALUES:

- **Care & Prevent**

We believe that there is a fundamental need to invest in preventing drug use and making substance abuse less likely. Prevention begins with the healthy development of the child in a nurturing family and supportive community that offers both protection from risk and opportunities for young people to achieve their fullest potential.

- **Inspire & Encourage**

We believe that young people are able to make sensible, healthy decisions and can take responsibility for their actions. We shall support activities that encourage collaboration with community members and involve young people in planning, delivering and/or evaluating these activities.

- **Strengthen & Empower**

We believe in providing young people with knowledge and opportunities that will support and enable them to make informed decisions.

- **Partnerships & Collaboration**

We believe that through actions and collaboration at various levels: global, national community and individual we can reach our vision.

- **Justice**

We will endeavour to be fair to all our constituents irrespective of religion, tribe, gender or political affiliation. The principle of justice and promotion of human dignity will permeate all our operations.

- **Participation**

We will strive to involve rights holders and other stakeholders in planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of our interventions by promoting participation we will make our intervention more meaningful to those being served.

D- BC'S PROGRAMME AREAS

The organization will render and specialize her services among these areas.

Prevention - The prevention of alcohol among the vulnerable children, drug abuse, and their relationship to HIV/AIDS, Crime, mental illness and other associated issues/disorders;

Treatment - The effective treatment of addictions utilizing a full continuum of care addressing addictive disorders, co-occurring disorders, and the family of the addicted person.

Recovery - Establishment of recovery centres within communities to promote the concept of communities free from addictions and the associated problems most especially the depressed children.

Training - Training at all levels of counselling for addiction/HIV/TB/psychological illness; OVC, BC will promote capacity building among district residents as a country at whole.

Advocacy and Research – Working with the local government and community services to advocate for changes in the current policies to help establish standards of care, implementation of substance abuse policies at all levels and creating a platform to determine prevalence of the problems, how they are associated, and how they can be effectively treated.

- HIV prevention, care, and support
- Human rights promotion
- Water and Sanitation
- Nutrition and Food security
- Household and Community Economic transformation
- Disaster Risk Reduction and Humanitarian Assistance
- Education for the vulnerable children.

E- BC'S MAIN ACTIVITIES

As a holistic approach against all, both prevention and curative approaches shall be employed with the following core activities:

- Awareness raising
- HCT-VCT and psychosocial support
- Nutrition and care
- Sexual reproductive health rights
- Adolescent rights to self-protection and friendly services
- Community based Malaria prevention and control.
- Economic Strengthening programme
- Orphans and vulnerable children.

- Vocational training to the youth in and out of school most especially the vulnerable children

- Food security and the rights to food promotion

- Capacity building for the youth clubs

- Support to OVCs in schools

- Capacity building to VSLAs

- Good governance and rights

- Human resource development

- Capacity building for community groups

- Capacity building for families and households.

WHY WE SERVE?

"THE STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS"

Human Rights Promotion

- Vulnerable communities empowered to claim for their rights
- Promoting justice for the most vulnerable people in the targeted population
- Increasing demand and utilization of health and HIV prevention services.

Quality service expansion

- Empowering communities to demand for provision of quality services from the duty bearers.
- Promoting Provision of quality education to the most vulnerable communities.

Networking and collaboration

- Increasing participation in relevant networks, forums and alliances
- Building partnership that will foster our capacity to raise adequate funds.

Institutional development

- Strengthening HR systems for effective service delivery.
- Increasing internal capacity of resource mobilization among staff.
- Building capacity of BC Board members in fundraising