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INTRODUCTION

2018 has been a relatively peaceful year for FF and our host communities.

Fantsuam has continued its peace building activities and has been actively engaged in diversifying its funding base, especially in Agriculture.

The CBT continues to be one of the most successful investments in Fantsuam Foundation. In 2018 we registered 2,625 students for JAMB this year, making it the highest in southern Kaduna. We hosted Jamb and our CBT had the highest registered number of candidates in southern Kaduna. JAMB approved the allocation of 230 students for the 2018 JAM examination at our CBT

FF went into commercial farming this year but suffered a heavy loss due to bad seed and bad fertilizer supplied to us by the anchor borrower.

The clinic continues to provide special treatment for Sickle Cell and Epilepsy using drugs obtained from the UK. The clinic is also a dot center for TB and has been allocated a machine to monitor
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In 2018, there were 21,793 visitors to the organization, compared to the 9682 in 2017. The high traffic was largely due to do people who came for JAMB-related businesses.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT.

Staff training opportunities included opportunities within and outside Nigeria. There were 31 training opportunities within the country and 7 overseas training from which the staff benefitted. Some of the trainings included

- Aflasafe training
- Access to domestic energy for older persons
- Nutrition of Children
- The consequences of Effects of Herdsmen/Farmers clashes on Development
- Integrated adolescent and Youth friendly Health service provision and transition training.
- Community Networks
- Developing Strategic Plan
- West African Experts meeting on the Rights of Older Women
- NGO Succession Planning

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Services provided to the children this year included Kids Club (527 children), School fees (11) home -based care (813), Shelter (5), Vocational (62), Scholastic (259), Nutritional support (232),

Health Support (309), Block grant (31 and) Facility testing (278). DREAMS is the new program for youths and we have served 38 youths and 58 young mothers

There was a significant reduction in the services we provided in 2018 due to the close-out of some activities by our funders (CIHP) e.g. Home-based care had 813 against 1,499 last year. This year, five additional groups of Village Savings and Loans Association for care givers were opened, bringing the total to 14 against 9 last year.

BAYAN LOCO GRAINS BANKS:

This bank has been sustained largely by the staff of Fantsuam Foundation and one of our Board members who donated a bag of rice. All BOT members have pledged to provide two bags of grains each for the Grains Bank.

JOPA

Is growing strong and getting steadier and has secured its CAC registration. Their meetings were suspended during the rainy season due to the poor roads in BayanLoco. 10 JOPA members were sponsored by Fantsuam to attend the Computer Certificate Training. One of them, aged over 80 years, proceeded and registered and paid for the Diploma Course which he successfully completed.

The JOPA President had a traffic accident during the year, but is now fully recovered, and assured us they will start the monthly meeting by January, 2019.

PEACE BUILDING

Fantsuam Foundation was able to build six apartments for families affected by the crisis in Goska and Bakin Kogi, Kaninkon. Commissioning and handover ceremony was honored by the presence of the Executive Secretary of the Kaduna State Peace Commission. The Peace Commission also engaged us to compile list of people from the affected communities of Godogodo, Ninte, xxxxxxxx With a view to supporting them with training in income generating activities. We are still awaiting the outcome of this effort.

In partnership with the PeaceTech initiative a training for youths, teachers and mothers on the use of internet tools to counter hate speeches. This has been published on Facebook.

DADAMAC:

This weekly meeting with our London based partner, Pam McLean, was suspended when she took ill during the year. She has now fully recovered and the meeting has resumed.

GAIYA

Agriculture:

The organization made its first attempt at commercial farming on a 53 Hectare farm land in Kwagiri. The pilot has not been successful due to the supply of poor quality seeds and fertilizers.

The Fantsuam Multi-purpose Cooperative received 1,200 kg of improved maize seeds, 449 bags of NPK AND 200 bags of Urea at the cost of N5,432,800 as loan from Tukunyan Gwari. We had paid him made a deposit of N1,000,000. These inputs are to be used at the 51 hectares of farmland leased from Kwagiri Community at the cost of N140,000 per year.

A total of XXX bags of maize was harvested and these have been sent to the anchor borrower as part payment for the total loan of XXXX he advanced our cooperative.

Efforts are being made by the Fantsuam Cooperative to raise additional funds to pay the loan balance.

The 411 tons of Aflasafe-treated maize submitted for inspection was successfully screened and graded as aflatoxin-free.

The Foundation was requested by the Kaduna State Ministry of Agriculture to secure 50HA of land to be used for youth farming. The Ministry visited the farm site and approved of it, but since then no further information has been received.

RESOURCE MOBILISATION

Efforts have been made to develop more proposals this year, but no positive responses have been received. In particular, we are looking at the promotion of Toilet Marketing, Establishment of a Fantsuam Toilet College and developing Fantsuam into the West African Community Network hub. We hope to follow up on these initiatives in 2019.

TOWN OFFICE

In order to raise the profile of the organization and make its services readily accessed for more people, the management is considering opening an office in Kafanchan town. The office will be developed as a Co-working space that can be rented out to other individuals and organizations. A property has been identified and discussions have been initiated with the landlord.