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We are proud to be stakeholders in improving lives of vulnerable children, youth and poor households

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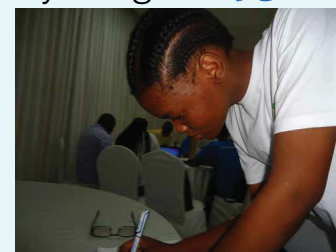
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SATF Board Chairperson, Mariam Mwaffisi (Left) presents a certificate to one of the Implementing Partners during the Stakeholders Meeting held in Dar es Salaam on 1st - 2nd November 2023. On her left is SATF Chief Executive Officer, Beatrice Mgaya and Programmes Manager, Nelson Rutabanzibwa. (Photo by the courtesy of SATF)



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WORD FROM THE CEO

Happy Silver Jubilee !

In 2023, SATF clocked 25 years of operations since its inception. We are very proud to be part of the team that has carried the Trust to reach one of its important milestones. The Trust has a unique mode of operations which is not reliant on donor support since 1998.

Our vision and missions are directed towards enabling the Most Vulnerable Children to attain their potential and has increased its capital base. Both goals have been well attained!

Throughout its existence, SATF has remained a -go-to organization, thus the reason over 210,000 Most Vulnerable Children have received support in Tanzania. In addition to that, the Trust has also improved the household economy of over 1,000 families. Other notable achievements include working with the Government to improve educational infrastructure such provision of school desks, and bedding. Also, SATF has been very active in building the capacity of the NPA-VAWC committees with the responsibility of protecting the rights of Women and Children. The findings from the Impact Evaluation conducted by an Independent Consultant revealed that SATF support remains valid and relevant. Therefore, the task of supporting the most vulnerable children and households is continuous. This needs a continuous innovative approach in investment strategies to guarantee its sustainability to survive beyond another 25 years.

As we count on these achievements, I take this opportunity to acknowledge

the contributions of SATF stakeholders, namely the Government, network of Implementing Partners, Focal Teachers, Caregivers and the media for working with us at every stage of the implementation of our projects.

I am grateful to our Board of Trustees, and Staff members whose efforts have made the Trust fulfil its founding objectives.

It has been an exciting experience witnessing these achievements which we are taking stock of this period as the Trust records its Silver jubilee.

We look forward to a brighter future.



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WAY BACK

25 Years Journey from 1998-2023

The Social Action Trust Fund (SATF) was established by the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania and capitalised by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The Fund officially started its activities in April 1998.

By then, the National AIDS Control Program (NACP) reported the number of Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) in Tanzania to be about 200,000 and estimated to escalate to 1

million by the year 2000.

USAID donated USD 12mil (Equi.6bn) in 1998, which created the Endowment fund to support the helpless children to become productive members of the society.

SATF its support to OVC by providing grants would provide education assistance to the beneficiaries via NGOs/FBOs.

Type of support: Scholarly items such as –uniforms(including school shoes) and note books

Implementing Partners - 10% of grant was set aside to cover for grant administration.

1st grant award-1999

Range of grant per IP (TZS 10 Millions (1999) to 200 Millions (current))

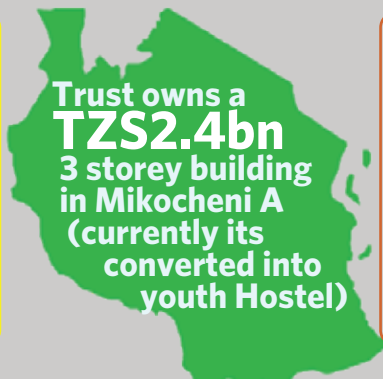
1st grant disbursement ceremony-officiated by the former Prime Minister Hon. Frederick Sumaye

Current status:

The Trust has undergone tremendous changes as follows;

- Vision:** Most vulnerable children, adolescents and youth in Tanzania are supported and empowered to realize their full potential.
- Mission:** Supporting most vulnerable children, adolescents, and youth to attain their full potential through provision of basic services and developing their skills for greater access to employment and entrepreneurial opportunities.
- Strategies :
 - To invest the Endowment Fund and use earnings, to meet its grant making commitments. This strategy assists the Trust to support MVC in a sustainable manner,
 - To collaborate with reputable grassroots Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) to support MVC in addressing impacts resulting from HIV and AIDS and poverty, and
 - To mobilise funds from donors, individuals and corporates to complement the Trust support to MVC

Endowment Fund: grown from **TZS 6bn** (1998) to **TZS30bn**



Annual grant from **TZS100bn** (1999) to **TZS1.5bn** (2022)

Range of grant per IP **TZS10ml** (1999) to **TZS200ml** (2022)

Accumulative grant disbursed (Dec 2022) **TZS13bn** supporting MVC 210,000; 930 Caregivers

Programming wing (Current outlook)

A) Thematic areas: i. Education (basic education to college and University for skills development, ii Health (access to primary health care services, Nutrition and ASRH) iii. Child Protection and Household economic strengthening.

B) Capacity building –IPs and other stakeholders eg MTAKUWA Committees

C) Supporting Govt efforts- Education infrastructure: To-date ,donated 3,500 ,600 school beds,10 Bailer machines,10 voice recorders – visual impaired,20 wheelchairs ,10 hearing aids

D) Our catchment area/coverage 36 Districts and keeps on growing...

Pillars for success;

The achievements highlighted have been made possible by;

- Strong leadership of SATF Board of Trustees, good management and committed staff.
- A network of Implementing Partners and Focal Teachers
- Our major stakeholders; Founders/Donors (Government & USAID),PRO-LARG, HESLB & Financial institutions

Government commends SATF's efforts

By Staff Reporter

The government is pleased with the steps taken by the SATF Institute to help children ensure they achieve their dreams.

It is now the twenty-fifth year since the institution has been serving Tanzanian children and other special groups in need.

Education coordinator from PO-RALG, Dr. Johannes Balige said during the SATF stakeholders meeting that currently, the institution has to use government opportunities to increase its scope in helping children.

"For example, the Government's move to abolish fees is one of the opportunities that SATF can use to increase their scope of helping more young people," said Dr. Balige

Statistics show that, since its inception, SATF has succeeded in helping more than 210,000 children in the country to get out of the environment, enabling them to be independent and contribute to the national income.



Dr. Johannes Balige

Nine years with SATF

By Staff Reporter

"My name is Peter Norasco Dismas. I was born in Dodoma. Chang'ombe Street. In my upbringing, I was not lucky enough to be raised by my parents. There was a situation that forced them to separate. I had to live with my grandmother. I studied at Chamwino Primary School and joined Chinangali Secondary School in Dodoma from 2010 to 2013, which was the year I met SATF through my teacher named Maina.

This was after he saw the challenges I was going through while at school. I got help to connect with SATF through the Free Pentecostal Church of Tanzania (FPCT) Chamwino Dodoma branch under the director Stanley Mwilah. In 2014 I joined high level studies at Lyunga Tech in Mbeya region.

In 2016, I joined the Kampala International University to study Bachelor Degree in Medicine and Surgery for five years. For nine years I have greatly benefited from the support from SATF enabling me to pay for my studies until my first Degree. SATF has enabled me to make my dreams come true by taking me out of a dangerous environment. With the help, enabling me through the student forum in 2017 by giving me the ability to be independent through entrepreneurship.

So in 2023, I started formal training to learn and invest in the Stock and Capital markets at the Dar Es Salaam Stock Exchange. SATF has been a savior for young people, children, and the elderly who happen to be in difficult circumstances by enabling them to make their dreams come true. I would like to ask SATF to continue helping young people who are in college by giving them seminars on self-employment and empowering those who already have business ideas...this is in line with the current job market."



Peter Dismas

How funding supports underprivileged

By Staff Reporter

"If you can be given school uniforms, and notebooks and paid fees, how can you fail to study or succeed?" My name is Brighita Alifa, studying form one at Steshen Secondary School, Nachingwea. I started receiving SATF funding in standard seven until now in high school. My young brother is also sponsored by SATF. "When you get someone to sponsor your studies, use the opportunity properly.

Once education enters the head, will never get out." Among the things that contributed to my success was the help I got from SATF because the situation calmed down and I could focus on my



Brighita Alifa

studies. I believe even my young brother will follow in my footsteps, I often urge him to use this chance properly. I am sure of achieving my dreams because all the

problems are solved. I also use this opportunity to focus on studies to build my life for the future. "My young brother and I are proud of the excellent educational environment created by SATF.

"We can go to school while we are clean, we are sure of being treated if we are sick and we are sure of getting all the necessary needs so that we can study and achieve what we think," says Brighita.

SATF has continued with its efforts directed towards the provision of education support to the Most Vulnerable Children (MVC) through Implementing Partners in Tanzania.

HESLB begins where SATF ends

By Staff Reporter

Higher Education Students Loans Board (HESLB), has expressed its commitment to increase the strength in providing higher education loans to all young people sponsored by the SATF institution to achieve their dreams.

Jonathan Nkwabi recently acknowledged that HESLB has signed memorandum of agreement with SATF to allocate loan to SATF supported students admitted in higher learning institutions

"Our goal is to start from where SATF ends. All young people sponsored by SATF should receive this good news because we want to make their dreams possible" said Nkwabi. In addition, the officer added to SATF's efforts aimed at helping young people to fulfill their

To create synergies through establishing strategic partnerships in the student financing ecosystem.



Jonathan Nkwabi

"Many times we are used to seeing other institutions have short-term projects, but this one

long-term and aims to enable people to be what they want. The Higher Education Students' Loans Board (HESLB) is a body corporate established under Act No.9 of 2004 (as amended in 2007, 2014, and 2016) intending to assist needy and eligible Tanzanian students to access loans and grants for higher education.

The main mandates of HESLB include:

To assist, on a loan basis, needy students who secure admission in accredited higher learning institutions, but who have no economic power to pay for the costs of their education, to collect due loans from loan beneficiaries and use it as a revolving fund to sustain operations of the Board. To create synergies through establishing strategic partnerships in the student financing ecosystem.

My parents are now comfortable

By Staff Reporter

At the end of standard six, he began to give up because things were getting more and more difficult. He could succeed, but his parents were not able to provide him with the necessary educational needs.

He continued encouraging himself that one day things would be alright like the children he studied with. "When it was time to go home, I felt like I was going to hell because of the difficulties in life that my parents had. Now that situation no longer exists, things have changed, I get education in a very friendly environment," says Shedrack Ngonyani.

Shedrack is a former student at the Mahanje Secondary School. He says that among the things he is proud of now after receiving SATF funding is the return to peace and stability in his soul.

This is not just for education, if you want to do something when your mind is not calm, the chance of success is very narrow because the ability of the mind to perform well is very minimal. This is what happened to me," says Ngonyani.

He says that after starting to be sponsored by SATF, his parents have also recovered from daily stress. "I realized that my parents' illnesses may have been caused by stress, now they don't get sick anymore," he says



Shedrack Ngonyani

She aspires to do better than before

By Staff Reporter

"The solar power device given to me by SATF encouraged my son to put more effort in his studies. Also increased the time to study, unlike before when he used to sleep all night due to the lack of source of light to study," Mwajuma Shomari Nyirenda is a resident of Madukani Peramiho B. She has uniquely benefited from SATF.

First, her son was given all the necessary school supplies. Second, herself was given a loan that supported her in poultry and establishing vegetable

farming. "I would like to thank SATF for the support, from helping my children with necessary school supplies to providing me with a loan that enabled me to start chicken farming, and later a vegetable garden," Mwajuma believes that if she is given more loans than the previous one, will be able to do better than before.

"I thank you very much, but without more request. If it would be possible to raise more amount of loans for us, especially for us who are disciplined, we can do bigger things. This is possible," She says.



Mwajuma Shomari

In life you should not give up

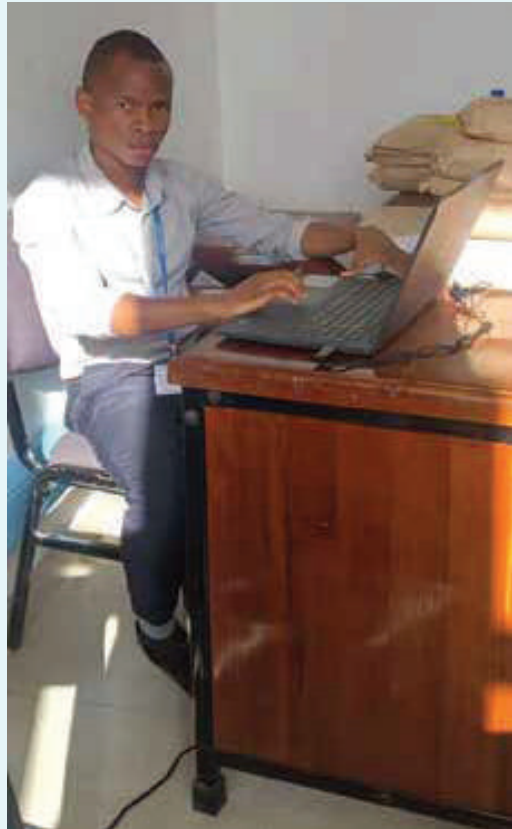
By Staff Reporter

Jackson Julius Maleva was born in Mbeya Region, Mbarali District. He lives with both of his parents. The problem of this 24-year-old boy began after his father became blind. "After my father became blind, all the relatives were away from our family, so it was difficult for me to get help from any of them," says Maleva.

The situation forced his older brother in standard five to drop out of school and to take care of the family."

At that time I was in the standard three and my young brother was in standard one.

Due to this situation, we could not get the necessary needs at home and school with certainty, life continued to be difficult at every turn," says Maleva. Maleva met SATF through the SAFINA Women Association when he was in form five at Njombe Secondary, where that day he was returning home to Mbeya having been expelled from school due to not completing school



Jackson Maleva

contributions including not having school uniforms." SAFINA interviewed me and finally promised to help me through the SATF institution.

After a week they came with all the school needs starting from notebooks, school donations, and school uniforms. That was the beginning of going back to school because I had already given up due to lack of help." I studied at the University of Dodoma (UDOM) for a Bachelor of Science in Biology.

I have achieved a lot. First I was given a computer that helped me do well in university by getting a first-class GPA of 4.4, secondly and biggest was to be hired as a Tutorial Assistant at the University of Dar es Salaam."

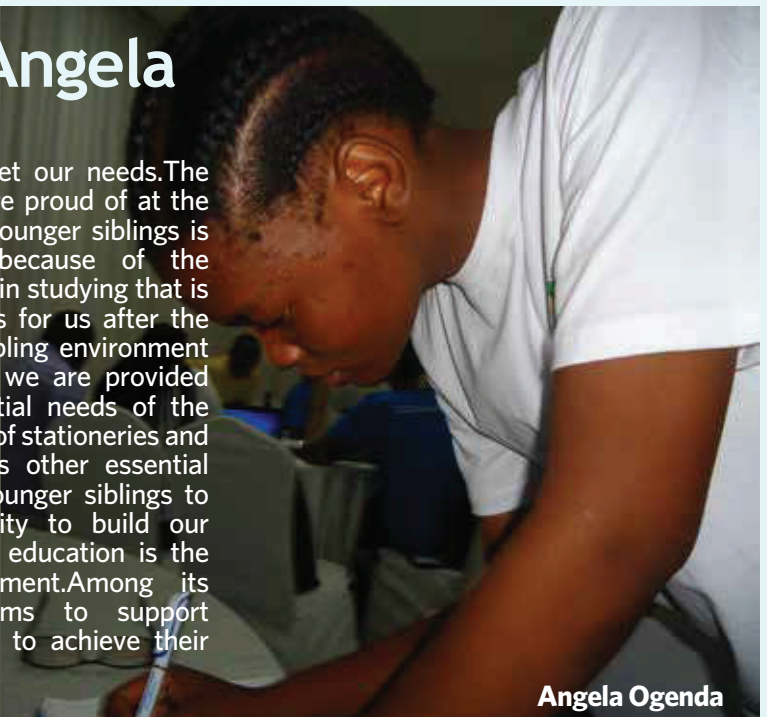
Helping the poor is lending to God, pray that SATF will lend to God more by reaching as many children as possible so they can be like us now," he concluded.

We feel exceptional says Angela

By Staff Reporter

"In our family are three children sponsored by the SATF foundation. We consider ourselves lucky to have that opportunity, which is very rare. Today's life without education is nothing. We thank SATF for holding our hands." These are the words of Angela Ogenda who is in form three at the Benjamin William Mkapa Secondary School in Mirerani. I have two younger brothers, Elia who finished standard seven last year, and Baraka now in form two. The funding given to us by SATF has been of a great help, especially considering that our family cannot educate us. It's not that we didn't like school before, but the environment to get education was difficult due to our family being of low income, and

thus unable to meet our needs. The biggest thing we are proud of at the moment with my younger siblings is peace of mind because of the assurance we have in studying that is the biggest success for us after the creation of an enabling environment by SATF. Currently we are provided with all the essential needs of the school in the sense of stationeries and clothing as well as other essential needs. I ask my younger siblings to use this opportunity to build our tomorrow because education is the basis of development. Among its targets, SATF aims to support vulnerable children to achieve their dreams.



Angela Ogenda

Opportunity never comes twice



Abubakari Adam

By Staff Reporter

"My name is Abubakari Abdul Adam. I am 23 years old. I was born in Dodoma in 1999. My parents died in 2010 and 2013, starting with my father. I am the first of two children born to us. After our parents died, we were neglected by our relatives leaving us with our grandmother. My grandmother raised me and the younger one in a difficult environment because she had no other job than selling vegetables.

There was an opportunity to enroll orphans in 2014, so my grandmother enrolled me through TIKVA HOMES who were my supervisors on education issues, for about five years until we were transferred to FPCT Chamwino (the SAT Implementing partners in Dodoma).

SATF has helped me with all the necessary things for a student to that I can succeed academically which are stationaries, uniform, shoes food contribution to school and the medical insurance when I was in basic education Also SATF supported me with college fees, medical insurance, stationaries, meals and accommodation allowance when I was studying diploma course at Dar es salaam Institute of Technology (DIT), Personally, the success I have achieved is very great.

SATF has enabled me to fulfill my educational dream with a high percentage, including studying to the limit and finishing the Diploma, now I am at SUA University persuing a degree course in Science in Human Nutrition.

Also, through medical insurance, I have access to medical care whenever I am sick. SATF has enabled me to get all the necessary educational materials in my course such as lab coat, goggles, gloves, etc. for my safety while I was in training.

Through SATF, I have developed connections with various people through field work and the seminars organized by them, among them is Joel Nanauka who has supported me a lot intellectually through seminars.

I have had a lot of success beyond SATF because they have been great guardians like my father for taking care of me until now and comforting me so that I don't feel alone since my parents died. Indeed, they have given me great comfort.

For my younger ones who are supported by SATF, let them see the importance of education because many need this opportunity. For those who study courses that are in line with SATF core objectives, I would like to see them asking to volunteer working with SATF and other like-minded organizations.

As we celebrate the 25th anniversary of SATF, I would like to ask them to increase the scope of scholarship even up to the master's level."

Adam pursued his Diploma education at the Dar es Salam Institute of Technology DIT in FOOD SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FROM 2020 TO 2023. Currently, he is a first-year student studying a Bachelor of Science in Human Nutrition at the Sokoine University of Agriculture SUA

Good use of opportunity

By Staff Reporter

If you visit Litisha Village and especially the areas near Litisha Primary School, there are four popular students' names. These are Helmina Haule, McGrath Njozi, Eva Mapunda, and Evodia Mpunda. These are young people from SATF's support when studied at Litisha Primary School in Peramiho Village.

They have already shown interest in continuing to benefit from SATF's support, as they have passed and thus have the qualification to continue with Secondary Education. Victoria Haule is a teacher at Litisha Primary School. She says the four champions did not win by chance but were diligent in their

studies, as well as following what they were instructed to do. "One of my responsibilities as a focal teacher is to make sure that children in the SATF programme do well. The four were not troublesome at all. I think their victory will be a springboard for others to do well in future," says teacher Haule.

On his part, the Deputy Headteacher at Litisha Primary School, Alban Kawonga thanks SATF for the way it has been helping children and especially creating a good environment for them to get an education. "Education is a rich heritage, so what our colleagues SATF are doing, we must thank them because they are building the lives of our young generation," said Kawonga.



Teacher Victoria Haule



Deputy headteacher, Alban Kawonga



Helmina Haule



Eva Mapunda

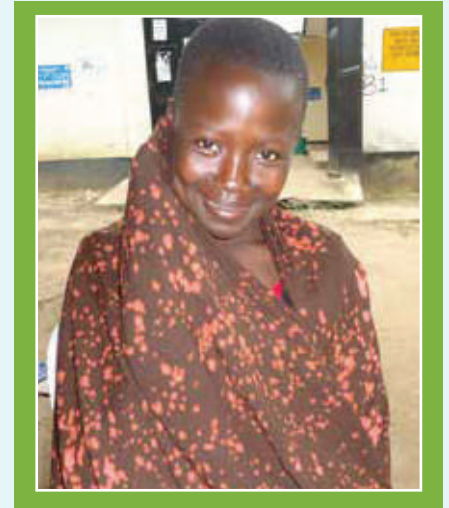


Evodia Mapunda



McGrath Njozi

We will never let you down



Jackrina Phabian

By Staff Reporter

Her name is Jackrina Phabian, a resident of Nkome, Geita. 11 children were born in her family. So far, three of them have benefited from SATF support. Two brothers (Justin and Jafety) preceded her to finish the fourth form. Jackrina also finished form four last year at Nkome Secondary School, Geita.

"On behalf of my colleagues, I say that we will never let SATF down in the sense of being your good ambassadors by speaking openly good things they did for us, and secondly by continuing to thank them for their funding." We are proud of the education we got there.

I believe that many young people have missed such an opportunity. Form four education has been very important for us, it builds self-confidence and understanding of many aspects of life," says Jackrina. Jackrina's request for SATF. "They should continue to raise young people who are in difficult circumstances so that they can be given educational support, there are many in the street."

Things move smoothly at Libermann

By Staff Reporter

"To educate a deaf, you must know the extent of his problem. The problem we face is the cost of getting modern diagnostic equipment for such a person so that you can serve him according to the magnitude of his problem." This is because hearing problems differ from one person to another".

This is the statement of the Principal of the Libermann School for the Deaf, Edister Wilbard Massawe, in Dar es Salaam. She explains how they benefited from the help of modern equipment to identify the extent of the hearing problem from the SATF institute. "Before, the child used to come with a doctor's certificate to show his challenge, but now things are different.

After receiving this support from SATF in May last year, we are doing the diagnosis ourselves and this support has certainly been productive for us," says Mwalimu Masawe. She says they met with SATF in the process of finding sponsors. Our school for the deaf provides education in English and is free. So there are times when we go around looking for donors. That's how we got together with SATF, and they have certainly provided us with very important equipment," says Head Edister. Libermann School for the Deaf has a total of 52 deaf students from grades one to five.



Headteacher of the Libermann School for the Deaf, Edister Massawe



Augustino

Augustino highlights his life expectations

By Staff Reporter

Every human being has his dream, in the sense of what he wants to achieve and bring success. This is the case with a young, Augustino who believes that one day he will give his contribution to society, as he is currently supported by various stakeholders including the SATF institution. Augustino cannot speak out, but he knows how to use the computer to achieve his various issues, including studies.

He is studying Form Five at Benjamin Mkapa Secondary School in Dar es Salaam, studying Science in the sense of Physics, Geography, and Mathematics (PGM).

Because he can hear, but he cannot speak, he answers everything he is asked by writing on his computer using a special device attached to his head. His dream is to be a pilot.

This 24-year-old boy was born with spinal cord problems, a problem that his parents discovered after six months. They saw their child unable to sit and sometimes as weak in his limbs. Faraja Godlove's mother says that after finding out that their

son has a problem with the spine, they accepted him and started caring for their boy closely. "The first step was to accept him because he is our child. We could not throw him away or leave him in any way.

After that, we started looking around to find donors to help us," says Mrs. Faraja. In 2018 when he was at Kimanga Secondary School in Dar es Salaam, some good Samaritans connected us with the SATF institution, which helped us with special chairs to sit on at home and school, along with a device to make a special device to wear on his head to use the computer," says Mrs. Faraja.

She says they believe Augustino will be able to achieve his dream because SATF has contributed significantly to simplify his infrastructure for access to education.

"Augustino's biggest success is that he can now sit comfortably in the chairs he was given and also use the computer well after being locked in a special device. Likewise, his performance is getting better at school, his final result was division one with nine points" says his mother.

This is 'Auntie Eva'

By Staff Reporter

Sometimes you get a name due to the service you provide in the community around you. This is what happened to Eva Mbele from Nyasa District. Eva is one of the partners working with the SATF Organisation in Nyasa District. She is a Community Case Worker (CCW). Her main task is to identify children whose families are not able or live in difficult and dangerous environments and connect them with SATF to get funding. Eva has worked with SATF for three years.

She is proud of the opportunity that it has fulfilled her dream of helping children living in difficult and dangerous environments by connecting them with the services provided by SATF. "My pleasure was to see disadvantaged children succeed or reach their dreams. So getting the chance to work with SATF as a CCW for me is the fulfilment of a dream that I had imagined in the past." Before starting to provide education to the community and show children the right way by joining

SATF, I once thought about how I could get the opportunity to help a child in a difficult or dangerous environment. SATF has helped me to do what I had wanted for a long time" says Eva. In addition to the great respect she is getting in the community at the moment, Eva says that she has been given the name of Aunt because of the way she has built closeness with children through the community, including providing education on how to value children's dreams.

Eva says that when SATF is celebrating 25 years of serving children in Tanzania, she is proud to have served more than 20 children in three years, some of whom are in secondary school and others who are on their way to fulfilling their dreams through various funding from SATF.

"Other institutions must imitate SATF's example, there are still a large number of children who need to be supported to achieve their goals, SATF has certainly shown the way," says Eva.



Eva Mbele

We need discipline to maintain loan

By Staff Reporter

Loans experts advise that when someone takes loans, should use it for the intended matter to achieve the set plans. Joyce Kinemo, a resident of Songea, is among the beneficiaries of SATF who got loans to get rid of their livelihood. Ms. Joyce recounts, "I was given a loan by SATF, I started buying and selling rice before I jumped to cultivation.

I made profit as per my invested capital because I was well trained on how to maintain loan. From there I earned money to take care of my family and support myself with small needs, as well as to get food for my child. I am very proud of the loan from SATF because, earlier my circumstances were difficult, especially the whole issue of raising children.

After all, my husband died. Children used to go to school hungry, clothing was also a problem. The family was full of problems. With the loan from SATF, I used it with high discipline, so it boosted me and my family. Right now things are better. We are living well. I ask SATF to continue to support us with such loans"



Joyce Kinemo

Here is our lawyer

By Staff Reporter

If you meet her and ask who she wants to be, She responds to you very quickly that she wants to be a lawyer. She believes that lawyers can defend the rights of children and mothers who are being tortured or abused. Her name is Nyamiti Malembo, a resident of Nkome Geita.



Nyamiti Malembo

She is an 18-year-old daughter who is among the beneficiaries of SATF. She finished form four last year at Nkome Secondary. She is not worried about winning the examination. She says her secondary education was in a calm and supportive environment with good management of focal teachers. She is happy with the support from SATF that includes self-awareness and knowing how a person can achieve dreams.

"Through SATF we got everything to be able to get education at high standards. With that stability, even the unsuccessful one still has something to help in life after finishing form four. I would be happy to see that I am doing well so that I can continue to use the opportunity," says Nyamiti

How loan transformed the businessman

By Staff Writer

"My name is Robert Paul Matungwa. I was fortunate to get to know the SATF institution, at that time Mr. Rweyemamu was the Chief Executive, I also knew Mr. Mutatina who was also a senior SATF leader.



Robert Matungwa.

In our normal conversation here and there I pointed out that I have a big project to build a hotel in Bukoba in Kagera Region. At that time the project was going slowly because I did not have any loan.

They asked me to send a write-up of the project. I did it and it was successful.

I got the loan of TZS 600 million which completed my project without any kind of limitations.

The loan helped fulfill my dream as I had planned from the beginning. With that logic, SATF has been a savior to boost my project. Right now I own a big hotel with international status, called Walk Guard, located in Bukoba town in Kagera region. I advise SATF to give other people loans like it was for me so that they can make their ideas possible too".

Self-awareness education for children

By Staff Reporter

Nusura Salumu King'eng'anya is a resident of Lindi. She is proud to be a close stakeholder of SATF. Her main job is the supervising teacher (Focal teacher) of children raised in difficult circumstances so that when they are in school can perform well. She says that, sometimes they give self-awareness education to young people to give them a wider understanding of the basic things in their growth.

"At other times we provide relationship education, fertility, safe menstruation, professional advice and even counseling. All this is to ensure that we give them a broader understanding of self-awareness," says Teacher Nusura.



Nusura King'eng'anya

She says that the challenge she has seen so far is that, many parents lack the education to recognize themselves and realize their responsibilities towards their children. "When we reach such a stage, the parent has nothing to teach because he does not

have that education, as a result, the children lack the foundational skills in their growth," says Teacher

Nusura Among the things that Nusura is proud of is having the opportunity to work with SATF, the main one being the success of providing education to children on a large scale and they were able to recognize themselves and realize their basic rights and how to protect themselves.

"To a large extent, in cooperation with SATF, we have succeeded in providing education more widely and the children have a great understanding and the society has also gained awareness through the children and Parents also understand better than before," explains Nusura

Greetings from twins

By Staff Reporter

My name is Mercy K. Urio. I was born in Arusha. I live in Morogoro. I went to primary school in Mchikichini A. Secondary Education went to Morogoro Secondary School.

For the high level I studied at Ifunda Technical Secondary School. I am currently studying at the University of Dar es Salaam taking a Bachelor of Arts in Geography and Environmental Studies in the second year. We are twins and my fellow, Jercy is the second year student at SUA pursuing Agricultural Investments and Baking course.

Together we started getting SATF funding in 2016 when we formed one. We are proud of that funding as it has helped us get to where we are. Before the funding, our family was unable to afford some of our basic needs in our education, including school supplies, fees, and care while in school. Our mother informed me and my brother (my fellow beneficiary) that we have received funding from SATF. It has become a living in stipend for us as we have

benefited more in education, health, and personal education. In Education, we have received various aids to develop us academically including fees, direct donations to schools, fares, and active academic materials like school uniforms, books, pens, and note books. Likewise, various gifts to congratulate us when we do well, especially in subjects that give us more encouragement to do better.

Health-wise, I as a girl have grown up getting education about safe men's situation, also given female towels to enable me to cover myself well at all times so that I can't miss my studies. I take a lot of pride in SATF. My brother has also benefited cleanly and proportionately like me. Moreover, he got education on taking care of girls including her sisters in case they are in that situation.

The knowledge made him strong because he has grown to respect and care for me as his sister. Indeed, SATF has been raising us without any bias.

It has become a comfort and a way to get us to where we are today. Through your support bringing and contributions to me and my brother, today we are proud to have a university education, the security of our health, and the hope of becoming a more valuable person in the future.

Personally, this funding has freed me from various worldly temptations because my focus remains on education and not on other things like early marriages, risky jobs during the life cycle, and groups found in the street that do not carry positive goals in life.

This has made me a confident girl and realize that I have strength within me.

Our message to SATF as it completes 25 years of serving children in Tanzania is that, we are proud of it and continue to give our sincere efforts including studying hard so that we do not let them down.

In the same way, protecting ourselves wherever we are because of our respect and discipline is the best education from SATF.

We are asking you more and thank you for everything you have given to us. I am confident that SATF will continue to celebrate many more years as it will never run out of people to be proud of. Generation after generation, the beneficiaries will become away to empower others in need because we have also learned how to carry and care for the needs of others.



What is happening in Litisha

By Staff Reporter

Idda Gabriel Njozi is the secretary of social groups in Litisha Ward, Peramiho. She is among the residents of the area who have benefited from the grants provided by the SATF. Ms. Idda says that the aid provided by SATF in their area touched all groups in society, from children to adults.

"SATF has been enabling us in many aspects. For example, children are getting all the essential needs for school. That is to include notebooks, pens, clothes, uniforms, bags, and shoes and they provide food at school." It has also given us a small business project to give out loans. There are cattle breeders, vegetable farmers, and hand traders. These loans have been a comfort to us because they help us to get essential needs quickly such as soap, buy important family needs, and even small social donations.

"There is a lot of achievement. For example, our children at school are always clean because they are given uniforms, and they get food at the right time, unlike before we started getting SATF support. In short, things are very positive from our children to the adults who were empowered by being given a loan.

Things are always good. She further says that the academic performance of children has also improved to a great extent. "As a leader of Social Groups, I always get information, including that of children's success. This is due to studying in a friendly environment." I ask SATF to continue helping our children so that in the future they will also help the Litisha community. It helps us create a generation of healthy scholars for the future.



Idda Gabriel Njozi

Life is good at Luhila Primary School

By Staff Reporter

"The name SATF here in our school is very common. This is due to the good efforts that have been made to us by this institution, which should be emulated by other institutions" Those are words from Teacher, Onesmo Philipo Nyama. He is the Headteacher at Luhila Primary School, Songea Municipality.

It is a mixed school for physically disabled, blind, and mentally disabled students. Teacher Onesmo says that they have been provided with support which has largely helped the needy.

"Within 25 years of SATF providing aid to children and various groups, I dare to say that we here at Luhila are among the biggest beneficiaries. "They gave us beds, voice recorders, sheets, and desks.

All equipment have boosted us to increase strength and improve the environment for the beneficiaries. Desks reduced the desk shortage. Voice recorders help the blind to make references to lessons while they are in the dormitories. The teacher continues to explain that SATF also provided a device called Magnifier to help the visually impaired. "This device has also been a help to them because when they are in class, it promotes writing.

Some of them have succeeded in studying at higher levels thanks to the help of the device. "I can't forget the great contribution. After being given beds and sheets, which have certainly helped to reduce the sleeping congestion in the dormitories of our students with special needs," says Onesmo

According to Teacher Onesmo, the Luhila School has a total of 80 children with special needs.



Onesmo Nyama. Headteacher at Luhila Primary School, Songea Municipality

Francisco Stanslaus; From Dodoma to the finance institution

By Staff Reporter

His name is Francisco Yusto Stanslaus. He was born in Dodoma Region on June 18, 2000. He is the sixth born among eight children.



Francisco Yusto

"While being sponsored by SATF, I was able to be provided with school needs including school uniform, notebooks, party favors, school bag, ruler, can, shoes, and socks. In my family no one else has been sponsored by SATF," says Stanslaus. He is currently studying marketing and public relations at the third-year Diploma level at the Tanzania Institute of Accountancy (TIA) in Dar es Salaam.

"The success I have due to SATF, first of all, SATF is the biggest help for me that enabled me to get to college because without them I would not be able to pay the fees and afford other college needs because of my parent's income. In celebrating 25 years of SATF in helping children, Stanslaus uses the opportunity to express his sincere gratitude to SATF for being able to help children living in difficult circumstances claiming that through the institution many children have been able to fulfill their dreams of getting better education and better upbringing.

"We are also increasingly praying for SATF so that God will bless them more so that they can continue to help other children living in difficult circumstances so that they too can get a better education and fulfill their dreams like other children," he concludes by saying that. He started primary school in 2010 when he was in the third grade in 2012, I met SATF and began to be sponsored. He says his life began to change after he was given funding for things he did not rely on in his life.

Latifa aspires to be an international

By Staff Reporter

She is now a good tailor. She has many customers. Her name is growing day by day due to her tailoring creativeness. As is normal for every human being, she has his expectations. If you ask her what she wants to be in the future she says she wants to be an international model. This is Latifa Abdallah Ngombale, a resident of Mkuranga.

They are among the beneficiaries of the tailoring course sponsored by the SATF institution in collaboration with SIDO to increase young people's skills so that they can later earn their income. "I studied a tailoring course at the SIDO Vingunguti College in Dar es Salaam for four months under the sponsorship of SATF, after finishing the same institution provided us with sewing tools, in the sense of sewing machines and other sewing machines.

Now I have become a good craftsman because I have all the necessary modern materials in sewing," says Latifa. Latifa explains that, before she was caught by the SATF, she was a streetwalker without knowing what she could do to improve her life. "Before I got the help of SATF, I was just on the street. My colleagues and I got information through our village chairman and some of us were chosen to participate in the sewing course which has been very productive in my daily life," says Latifa

What is Latifa's success?

- Unlike before, now she is sure to earn her income
- She can help his brothers
- She has gotten great respect in the community due to her profession.
- She is one of the famous people in the village



Latifa Ngombale

The best player should be rewarded

By Staff Reporter.

Two months ago I visited Peramiho ward in Songea rural District. This ward has the villages of Peramiho B, Peramiho A, Luhumbusi, and Nguju Moja. On every corner I passed, the name of Kazembe Telela is very famous and is mentioned with kindness. Those who mention this name praise him as a very important person due to his service to the community around. Telela is one of the closest stakeholders working with SATF as CCW.

His main task is to identify people and children who live in difficult environments, including the sick, who are in dangerous situations. The main goal is to connect them with the SATF organisation, which for about 25 years has been serving children in various fields, such as education, health, and empowering those with special needs. It has been three years since Telela started working with SATF, but he says that a large part of the community has been able to recognize him as an important person aims to support children.

"It is not true that before I started working with SATF was not respected, currently community respects me too much," This is clear that SATF has added a lot of value to my community," says Telela.

Another success for Telela is the education he gets in various SATF seminars also helps him. "When we are given a seminar by SATF to educate the community, that education opens my mind even before conveying it to the relevant groups. This is a great success for me because education gives a great light to people to understand different things," says Telela.

Within three years, Telela has successfully identified more than 20 children living in difficult environments and connected them with SATF to obtain various funding according to their needs. "Other successes achieved through me as a link between SATF and the community include building the community's economic capacity where now every household in our ward has a vegetable garden. This is through the education of economic gardening and vegetables.

People have land but they don't know how to generate income through it," he says. Telela is eager to continue working with SATF, asking the institution to continue providing regular training to its stakeholders that helps them in their daily activities. This year SATF has completed 25 years of serving children in the country.

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the institution for serving 423 children studying primary to secondary school from 120 poor households in Ruvuma where now every household in our ward has a vegetable garden. This is through the education of economic gardening and vegetables. Before, people had land but they don't know how to use it," he says. Telela is eager to continue working with SATF, asking the institution to continue providing regular training to its stakeholders that helps them in their daily activities.

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Kazembe Telela

Mwita Sagawa; A teacher who likes children

By Staff Reporter

Some people believe that, everything you do in life has an additional, apart from the Basic expectations. "Initially, when I got chance to volunteer with the SATF, I knew that my job was to be a teacher in charge for the children brought up in difficult circumstances and included in the education system.

"For me, I have an additional benefit. It is that now I know many things about Children's rights. This is based on many trainings that we have been given by SATF at different times,"

This is the statement of Teacher Mwita Sigawa from Mwisenge Primary School, Musoma. He is among the teachers who have largely had attended various trainings offered by SATF.

He says the training has helped him strengthen the protection of the child. "Because I am a teacher in charge of children sponsored by SATF, I benefit the most when I attend more such seminars, and that is what has happened. Likewise, I meet different people, which also gives me a room to build good friendships." I started working with SATF in 2019.

So far there are many things I have learned about children rights. As we celebrate the 25th anniversary of SATF, I would like to ask the institution to expand its scope of helping children in Tanzania. There are still many children in need.



Teacher, Mwita Sigawa

Christina- The journey has just begun

By Staff Reporter

She is a young girl who completed form four 2023 at Nkome Secondary School in Geita. She is among the beneficiaries of SATF. She is optimistic about doing well in her studies, to continue making good use of the opportunity she got from SATF.

"Six of us have benefited from SATF, so it is a family that in one way or another should say thank you to SATF."

There is a lot to be proud of through SATF's funding, but nothing beats education. We are also respected in the society we live in as heroes who have overcome many temptations. In this area we live, many young people get married at a young age and thus fail to achieve their dreams, we have overcome that because the education we received in the calm environment of SATF has improved our self awareness," explains Christina

The power of IGA at Litisha Village

By Staff Reporter

Sometimes I wonder if the SATF had not come in to support us in our Litisha ward. How would life have been until now? This institution supports us in many aspects. Its help does not end up with children and young people. It touches every age even old people.



Mohamed Mshamu

The statement by Mohamed

Mshamu, a resident of Litisha Ward in Songea. He says that SATF has raised them in various fields, including the creation of small groups to provide loans, enabling them to establish various businesses to generate income.

"There are those who are used to seeing SATF supporting children with essential school supplies. Not only that, the institution has gone further to help various groups in society. Here in our village, people raise animals, grow vegetables and some sell seafood. In short, everyone does business that accomplishes with the amount of loan given."

I can say this is a good idea for SATF, which aims to enable people to manage their income. Many families have been able to get rid of themselves through these loans. On the other hand, I am proud to work with SATF. It is an institution that builds respect for me in society and also brings me together with different people." says Mshamu

Life goes on since Ally can move easily

By Staff Reporter

His name is Said Ally. He is a young man who was born with physical disabilities. Walking is a problem, so he uses his bicycle given to him by SATF for his activities of commuting here and there. He says that at the moment he does not see the difference between himself and others because he can go wherever he needs to go, unlike before when he was carried by his colleagues." This bicycle that was given to me by SATF, first of all, it is stable, because I can take it anywhere without being pushed by anyone.



Said Ally

It's also very light, so it doesn't tire me, on all the hills here at school I drive myself," says Ally. For his part, the Head of Special Education at Songea Boys Secondary School, teacher Ally Thabiti, said that the aid provided by SATF to people in need has made a great contribution to solving the challenge."

As you have seen, Said can move wherever he wants after being given a bicycle by SATF, and not to say a bicycle, but a sturdy bicycle. We also have an infrastructure challenge that

sometimes contributes to the destruction of these bicycles," says teacher Thabiti.



Gelasius Lugome, The Headmaster at Songea Boys.

Gelasius Lugome is the Headmaster at Songea Boys. He says that they plan to set up infrastructure for people with special needs, but it would be nice if they could get a sponsor to help them.

"Our compound is very large, and without infrastructure for these fellows, we will be deceiving ourselves, and sometimes their bicycles are damaged by unfriendly infrastructure. We have tried to start with some areas here in the school, but it would be good if we get sponsors to build something strong," says the Principal.

Zulfa has something to tell us

I advise the SATF to continue with this kind of procedure because there are still many young people who live in difficult circumstances and would need help.

By Staff Reporter

"My name is Zulfa Ally. In the past, I was engaged in small businesses without success. As they say, a dog's livelihood is in its feet. I met the SATF organization through the leadership of our village, where they came up with a special plan to help young people by providing them with skills so they can later earn their income.

I was fortunate to be among the young people who received support from the SATF institution to attend a four-month course at SIDO College, Dar es Salaam.

The course has been very successful because I was given the skills that have given me the title of sewing technician. After finishing the course, I was lucky enough to be among the young people here in Mkuranga who were equipped with modern sewing equipment. I am proud to be a young technician who can lead my life through this work. Likewise, my peers respect me due to my sewing work.

Most importantly, I can generate income that helps me, my family, and other close relatives who need help from me. I advise the SATF to continue with this kind of procedure because there are still many young people who live in difficult circumstances and would need help.



Zulfa Ally

Hadija's journey was not easy

By Staff Reporter

""My name is Hadija Ndamungu. I was born on March 26, 1990, in Dar es Salaam. I am the second in a family of two children. My parents had a low income, my father was a tailor and the mother was housewife.

Due to the difficulty of life, my father moved to a farm in Vikindu Magodani in 1992, I was very young. It was in the wild, there was no school or any social

service. My brother and I had to spend many years without going to school. In 2000, an old man named Mbena, (a retired teacher) established a school under the mango tree and I joined. The community did not see the importance of education, other children did not come, at the end the school closed.

When it came to the Primary Education Programme for the Missing (MEMKWA), in 2004, again I joined starting standard four. In 2007, I finished the standard seven and became the only student selected to join the form one at Kilakala Secondary School, Morogoro.

Life at Kilakala was very difficult because I had to stay at school for a long time. After all, I had no fare even to go home during the holidays. In 2011, I finished form four, and selected to join Ashira Secondary School, for high level studies. In 2014, I graduated and scored Division three. From there I joined the Islamic University of Morogoro for Bachelor of Arts in Education.

There is an old man named Sule. This one helped me sometime years ago. When I came back from college during the holidays, he told me that there is an institution called SATF that helps young people in difficult situations. I felt like I had already given it that support. Sule put me in touch with a brother called Kiswamba who is in Mwanandege at the USHIVIWA Organisation.

Kiswamba is the one who connected me with SATF. I started paying all the fees from what I owed until I graduated in three years. Apart from other things, SATF made me able to believe in myself more and see that there is no difficulty in courage, because after I finished college in 2017, used some of its graduates to do Pre-Award Assessments in all Tanzania zones, and I was one of them.



Hadija Ndamungu

I was assigned to the North West ORTHWest Team (Ngara, Kakonko, Kibondo, and Ujiji). I congratulate SATF for completing 25 years of supporting children, youths, and groups with special needs.

My advice is that there should be a system to help students who want to study Master's degree. SATF could also introduce small loans for graduates because employment is difficult. If we get capital through interest returns, it will help us.

Private sector jobs have their challenges. Currently, I am a teacher at DYCCC Secondary (Yemen Secondary)."

