

CICILIA NAMULEN FOUNDATION BECOMES MOST VISIBLE LIFE SAVER INITIATIVE IN TURKANA COUNTY, KENYA-AFRICA

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In Kenya – Africa.

Combination of unpredictable service deliveries, limited coverage of non-Government organizations (NGO's) and limited financial resources allotted to some vital issues; has prepared assortments of forward thinking Turkana personalities to budget quality time and commit hard earned financial resources toward provision of affordable solutions to some serious issues affecting positive growth and development of the Turkana people in general.

Over 20 indigenous NGO's were reportedly established recently to shape and promote projects friendly to human growth and development. Most of these NGO's failed the journey of growth and they have since been put under visible key and lock.

However, the most prominent survivor and performer is a foundation established by one **MS. CICILIA NANGETEI NAMULEN** under the name **CICILIA NAMULEN FOUNDATION**, registered on the 19th day of April 2012. In the Republic of Kenya – Africa.

Since its establishment in the first quarter of 2012, **CICILIA NAMULEN FOUNDATION** has grown and developed into a powerful household name (in Turkana county – Kenya) and/ or top life saver without matching human and financial resources to harmonize increasing demand for services not limited to psychosocial support, provision of clean water, educational sponsorship, HIV/AIDS COUNSELING and Care, provision of shelter and clothes in areas where people live by the mercy of God.

BOLD ACHIEVEMENTS;

Over 400 persons (clients) have directly benefited from psychosocial support and other counseling in the areas of HIV/AIDS, Domestic violence, and substance abuse.

Ten(10) pupils were sponsored in various primary schools, Ten (10) students sponsored at high schools, Four(4) graduated with quality university degrees, the foundation has a short list of persons being sponsored for under graduate courses in three prominent universities. The foundation has become a referral center for counseling on issues not limited to HIV/AIDS, and domestic violence. It has provided shelter to sections of homeless persons around Turkana County and donated scholastic materials to orphans.

POSITIVE CHALLENGES;

- The foundation has not established stable funding partners to match and harmonize high demand for services in Turkana County – Kenya.
- Field outreach is limited since the foundation has no vehicles and/or reliable logistical support.
- The foundation has few counselors against the ever increasing work load.
- The foundation has very limited office space not adequate for staff members and support officers.
- The foundation has no sub – offices to handle acute cases on the spot and/ or with professionally required efficiency and effectiveness.

WHO IS CICILIA NANGETEI NAMULEN?

A very decent and professionally composed, down – to – earth Turkana woman, born around the 6th day of January 1973.

“My father told me that I was born around the 6th day of January 1973” explains Ms. Namulen. She was born to Mr. James Kapua Emarengan (R.I.P) and Mrs. Anna Modo Kapua of Lotiman village in Turkana south sub county, situated about 20 kilometers from Lokichar town.

She joined Lodwar mixed in 1986 for her primary education where she had challenges paying her school fees. She dropped out of school and later resumed in 2006 at St. Peters Clevers Nairobi where she received award of certificate and a Diploma in guidance and counseling Ms. Namulen is a registered counselor at national level.

THE POWER BEHIND HER VISION;

Childhood experience(s) invested through her stay in children’s home at Lodwar is the driving force behind her inspiration and ability to donate generously and keep true love for humanity at her finger tips.

“I was sponsored by Rev. Younsim Lim to study at the children’s home. I would love to see her dreams alive” explains Ms. Namulen.

SPECIAL CALL TO DONORS;

We are moving through difficulty. Whatever you are able to donate, please do it through the foundation (Cicilia Namulen Foundation) for safe and efficient deliveries to the beneficiaries.

“We must learn how to give more and receive less. The tradition of waiting from Europe or America is not effective and may not save our people from ugly situations” explains Ms. Namulen.

Additionally she explains” as we wait from overseas, or from international donors let’s make our local contribution to change lives and save lives as well”

Ms. Namulen is the first known Turkana woman to have officially registered a foundation where she commits her quality time and financial resources to save lives of those who have lost direction. Her attitude and vision if emulated could make Africa to become a better place. Her heart for helping the needy is a gift she has promised to explain in the next sessions.

IN PROGRESS

Given predictable funding and institutional support, the foundation is focused on urgent establishment of a rescue and rehabilitation centre.

“We truly need a rescue and rehabilitation centre for those in serious trouble” explains Ms. Namulen.

Additionally, “plans are underway to establish vocational centre for shaping skills, creation of self employment and mobilization of financial resources with special focus on savings and investments.

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