



# AMPLIFYING YOUNG PEOPLE'S VOICES

THROUGH:  
ART  
SPORTS  
CULTURAL EXPRESSION

## VISION

To become a model recognized in using Arts, Sports and cultural expression as a means for amplifying young people's voices for positive social change.

## MISSION

Hope Raisers specializes in charity works and consider it as a foundation of individuals and community development. Through adopting developmental and social solidarity projects, the organization seeks to meet the basic needs of the community (urgent and ongoing needs), as well as raising the cultural and educational level of families in order to achieve sustainable development.

## VALUES

Innovation and creativity; Creating opportunities for creativity and promoting distinctive ideas and rewarding innovation and development.

Partnership; Since the charity work is based on cooperation and coordination between all parties, whether at the governmental level, the civil society level or at the level of funders and donors.

Social Responsibility; Strong belief in the organization's prominent and active community role in addressing the negative phenomena and promoting the community values and principles.

# HOPE RAISERS

Who we are

Hope Raisers is an organisation that nurtures performing, visual arts and sports through interactive learning, exposure and Mentorship.

Established in 2007 as Community based organization primarily cater for disadvantaged children and young people aged from (4-30 years) and women, in order to bring about positive changes in their lives through the creation of a sound social, cultural and educational environment targeted to meet the needs of the Korogocho and its neighborhood community.

Hope Raisers Initiative also works on activating the role of members of the community and increases the degree of awareness of cultural and societal issues. The organization's main interests are centred on topics related to entrepreneurship, mentorship, interactive learning, performing arts, sports and advocacy programs targeting children, youth and women.

# WAPE TABASAMU

## Program Description

The purpose of the program is to educate children and prepare the new generation of young community leaders with the skills and mindset to transform the society. We use a multi-disciplinary approach to help children take up the role of transforming their communities.

Our holistic approach in education enable young people to expand their knowledge and refine their skills unconsciously through life, habit and experience.

### BACKGROUND

The children in the Wape Tabasamu program come from a very poor background without enough resources for most basic needs such as food, shelter and education. Without a good education many children, especially from the slum, get stuck in their parents/guardians poverty and lack hope of alleviating their situation. Thus the cycle is repeated.

Because of the high level of poverty, marginalization, high school tuition fees and large numbers of children in the family parents are often unable to offer education for their children. Some of the children are orphaned or abandoned by their families; others live with close relatives like aunts or grandparents who are unable to give them the support they need. This risks children to later resort in crime and drug abuse.

Korogocho is the fourth largest slum in Nairobi. The area borders the Dandora dumpsite, located along the area. The dumpsite provides income for many families, and children are often forced to accompany their parents to collect waste materials for recycling; or collect the food for their meals. The environment is very dangerous to the childrens

**“We believe that each child has a potential that can be developed through practical help and support”**



health and wellbeing, and many are exposed to diseases such as typhoid and cholera as well as the risk of rape and sexual harrasment.

Hence, the *Wape Tabasamu* (Swahili word for Give them a Smile) program target children from Korogocho slum and help them get the education they need for a better future. Hope Raisers have seen great potential in the children from these areas as well as the street-children.



## WAPE TABASAMU

Due to the situation in Korogocho Hope Raisers Initiative felt a need to start a program that offers psychological support and education to marginalized children from the urban slum of Korogocho. The Wape Tabasamu program was initiated in 2014 and target children between 8-16 years of age.

The program offers:

- Financial support for children to go to school
- Guidance and counselling to help children overcome traumatic experiences
- Provide opportunities for children to play and practice creative skills through Sports, Arts and Music
- Expose children to alternative environments through study visits
- Provide opportunities for children to meet role-models in different professions
- Act as a link between the parent and the child

Hope Raisers founders believe that education is a prerequisite for a life of self-responsibility and self-reliance. We advocate for the Children's right to education.

## OBJECTIVES

- > To rescue marginalized and vulnerable children from Korogocho its environs and protect them against child abuse, neglect and labor
- > To provide, mental, physical, emotional, social, spiritual support to children and to promote holistic development.
- > To support accessible holistic formal education to the needy children.
- > To provide affordable and quality balanced diet.
- > To promote, accessible, affordable quality, healthcare, and health education sanity and safety for children.



## DONATIONS

Due to exchange rate fees, please make your donation using [www.worldremit.com](http://www.worldremit.com)

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