



# ORGANIZATION PROFILE

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## FOCUS AREAS

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- Child rights, education, health and nutrition
- Child care, Social care and social justice
- Youth, and Women empowerment
- Livelihood support /Socio-economic Security
- Hygiene and Sanitation

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## **BACKGROUND**

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Social Care and Regeneration Partners (SOCARP) is a non profit Community Based Organization located at Migori County, Kenya. We are duly registered under the Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Development registration number **08310/2004**.

The Organization was founded during a Young Allies Forum converged by fore founders-Robert Onono, Joash Masese and Paul Kokeyo in October, 2004. Beginning initially as a self help group, it was formed in a bid to address social issues relating to HIV/AIDS prevention and awareness creation, reduction of drug and substance abuse among the youth, socio-economic empowerment, environmental protection among other social issues.

In the period between 2005 to early 2013, we had mostly been engaged in table banking and meeting for round table talks mostly discussing health and environmental concerns and finding solutions to the issues that mattered to us most. It would be worth to note that with these efforts, we had realized meaningful change and cohesiveness and astounding driving force over the years. Following a SWOT (Strength, Weakness, Opportunities and Threats) analysis and critical review of our mission and vision while learning and capitalizing on past challenges, emerging issues and achievements, we realized some gaps that needed intervention and resolved to advance and revitalize our approach to development agenda in a new way to fit the fast changing needs of the society in a multi-faced and creative approach using innovative models and effective approaches to bring about societal change.

We have therefore, successfully transformed to form a strong, formidable and remarkable team as a resultant effort. As will be demonstrated by our current strategies, milestones, and evidence-based action, this therefore, marks the beginning of a new journey to restore hope and regenerate our efforts to a bigger impact, a much stronger, empowered and healthier society for the underprivileged children, youth and families in Migori sub- County.

We currently work on closely monitored education, human rights and healthcare initiatives in disadvantaged schools, homes and communities to create lasting impact and solutions on poor children's and families lives.

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

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## **VISION STATEMENT**

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To be a lead catalyst and positive change maker in the lives of under privileged children, youth and families in our community.

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## OBJECTIVES

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- To work with children, parents and schools in carefully selected and targeted low set-up and disadvantaged schools ( most often neglected for support) to promote early childhood education and good health outcomes by creating an enabling environment that allows children to reach their full potential. This will be achieved through facilitation of access to child sponsorships and scholarships opportunities, monitoring health outcomes in schools, building the capacity of low trained teachers through training, providing basic school supplies and other learning materials among other interventions.
- To provide follow up care and monitor child development at the home and community set-up to ensure overall and holistic development of the child.
- To reduce domestic violence by upholding a skillful parenting and child mentorship programme to promote child learning and development.
- Promoting socially and economically viable households through life skill training as way of enhancing child well being and sustainable livelihoods for families and the young people and therefore adequately preparing them for the labour market.
- Facilitating child protection with particular emphasis to combating child labour, abuse and neglect.
- Empowering and working with local communities to invest in the development of various entrepreneurial initiatives using the social-business approach to improve house hold income. This will be achieved by partnering with social investors, venture capitalists, the government, corporate entities, micro-finance institutions, private donors/investors and other stakeholders to bridge the existing gaps.
- Improving the access to child basic health care and well-being by constantly assessing and monitoring their health needs and concerns and addressing them appropriately as situations dictate through provision of basic health care and referrals.
- Establishing transitional group care and homes for neglected and abandoned children at designated areas.
- Health education by promoting personal hygiene practices for kids and their families in the areas of oral hygiene, hand wash, nail clipping and skin care to improve health outcomes.
- Alleviating the negative impact of single parenthood that would otherwise negatively affect a child through a cocktail of tailored strategies on a rolling and needs basis.

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## OUR VALUES

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- Stewardship.
- Integrity, transparency and accountability.
- Teamwork, partnership and collaboration.
- Respect of animal and human rights.
- Compassion and empathy.
- Innovativeness and diversity.
- Empowerment.
- Social equity
- Learning and transformation.
- Discipline, Hard work and persistence
- Good governance

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## PROGRAMMES AND SYNOPSIS OF ACTIVITIES

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### **CHILD SPECIAL INTERVENTIONS PROGRAMME (CSIP)**

This programme targets the most vulnerable children at low set-up schools for support of essential needs like basic health care, uniform, shoes, educational materials, classroom repairs, school feeding program, fee subsidy and scholarship support, toy lending library for stimulative play, medical supply, toiletry and sanitation supplies and social support.

We intend to offer free training in child abuse recognition, investigation, & protection, counseling among other training for our volunteer social workers, community leaders, community home visitors and ECD teachers in coordination with other willing global partners and institutions as a way to stimulate community involvement in child care.

Verifiable Certificates/statements of completion, certificates of mastery and credit certificates will be offered as proof to commitment to life-long learning. As an organization, we will also offer our recommendations along side as roof of participation. This will encourage the spirit of volunteerism and stimulate social participation and community involvement.

### **FAMILY AND CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAMME (FCSP)**

This program follows up on special cases identified during the continuous assessment at the home set-up like lack of child social support, lack of child supervision, child abuse and neglect cases, follow up children with special needs, stimulating parental involvement, providing counseling to parents and follow up visits to discuss urgent child related issues like child health or behavioral issues that may arise within the school and home set-up.

## **COMMUNITY CHILD SUPPORT AND ACTION PROGRAM (CSAP)**

This is a sensitization platform where community members share experiences and discuss ideas on how to promote child welfare at home including child supervision, exercising parental responsibility, peer to peer nutritional counseling, hygiene and sanitation among other pertinent issues. This stimulates community action towards child care.

## **CAREGIVERS EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM (CEP)**

Children perform best when they are in a healthy home so, under this program, we empower caregivers and more especially the single parents to be economically self-sufficient as way of promoting child well being. We work towards creating economic opportunities for the especially the mothers through entrepreneurship trainings and bridging the provision of seed capital. Full support will be provided from training to business implementation to ensure that the caregivers are self sustained to ease burden and stress that would otherwise hinder the full capacity of the child development. This program ensures that the children remain in school and reduces child labour.

- **SHUGHULI REGENERATION CENTER (SRC)**

We intend to create a livelihood programme dubbed “Shughuli” Regeneration Center (SRC), “ a community resource and e-learning center that trains underprivileged youths with market oriented job skills such as basic computer skills, freelance marketing, personality development, communication skills and other relevant soft skills that will prepare them for the job market. We shall also assist them in job placements. Shughuli is a Swahili word meaning “Activities” thus this shall be a center where people will be busy regenerating activities. Note the full meaning-“ Activities Regeneration Centre.”

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## **MANAGEMENT**

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### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**SOCARP** is managed by a competent, professional and well represented team drawn from the community comprising of the board of directors. The boards of directors are charged with the responsibility of the overall management of the organization, setting policies and maintaining the organization’s overall goals, ensuring the plans and programmes of the organization are met and employing fundraising initiatives.

The boards of directors’ officials include the board chairperson/President, the Secretary and the treasurer. The board also comprised of four other board members bringing the total number to eight (7) boards of directors.

## **PATRONS AND AMBASSADORS**

**SOCARP** Board of Directors most recently in its effort to scale up its impact on fundraising initiatives nominated a few volunteer patrons and ambassadors spread from all over the world to aid in fundraising planning and building partnership and linkages. We shall to engage more Patrons and Ambassadors as time goes by. The Patrons are part and parcel of the **SOCARP** team and also provide guidance and support to the Organization.

## **VOLUNTEER STAFF**

The day to day activities are currently run by professional volunteers with expertise in various fields of specialization. We have a Project Director, 1 Programme officer, 2 Social Workers, and 4 Community Home visitors. **SOCARP** intends to recruit more local and international volunteers to help pace up with the ever rising need for services.

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## **COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIP**

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We collaborate and partner with all relevant government line ministries, women and youth groups, faith based organizations, carefully selected low set-up schools, non-governmental organizations, other community based organizations, civil society, corporate entities, judiciary, the police and the community at large.

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## **FUNDING SOURCES**

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- Earned Income/Income generating activities
- Community fundraising
- Individual giving
- Corporate funding
- Charitable trusts, foundations and government grants.