

## **CHILD SPACE ORGANIZATION PROFILE**

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THE SMART CHILDREN CLUB



## **OUR MISSION**

To guide the children and young people through life skills and other pertinent trainings and empower them and their families to live responsibly.

## **VISION**

Safe societies with healthy children and responsible young people.

## **CORE VALUES**

- Commitment
- Compassion
- Teamwork
  - Integrity

## **GOAL**

Responsible families

## **OUR MOTTO**

**Committed to Holistic Child Development** 

Child Space Organization (CSO) is a legally registered non-profit social service organization in Kenya under the Ministry of East Africa Community, Labour and Social Protection the Department of Social Development office in Nairobi Kenya.

The registration number RUA/CBO/5/4/2018/0062

The organization is highly committed to holistic child development by helping the neediest and marginalized children and families in Kenya. Our work mainly targets the vulnerable children, youth and women living in Nairobi's informal settlements namely: - Korogocho, Baba Dogo, Kariobangi, Mathare and their environs.

Our work is to ensure that children and adolescents are safe, healthy and empowered to be responsible in the community where they live, play, and learn.

We strongly believe we can support the children and young people to form positive behaviours at early stages in life and help them to also change the negative behaviours through gradual but consistent change processes that require professionalism and patience to attain.

With established community mentorship programmes such as the Smart Children Club that provides safe spaces for children which is now known as *the hub of moral values and talents*, we continue working on a arrange of evidence based prevention of various social vices such as Teenage pregnancies, Violence Against Children, Alcohol, Drugs and Substance Abuse,

HIV&AIDS, Sexual and Gender Based Violence among others.

We value collaborations and partnerships with either local or international organizations that focus on similar and relevant thematic areas as ours.

With these partnerships, we continue to reflect our values in various spheres, while championing the evidence prevention across all our programmes.

CSO believes that consistency, patience and commitment are vital when working with children and young people including community at large and thus it endeavors to instill the same in all her target population by inculcating the same to anyone that gets into contact with our work.



Adults and Children's Day 2023 #adulchiday



**Urban farming Skills** 

# **CSO – THEORY OF CHANGE**

Our theory of change suggests that formation of sustainable community mentorship programmes for children and young people in safe and nurturing environment results to adoption of positive rewarding behaviours that that brings ripple effect to the larger community thus reduction in numerous social vices.

The change we pursue will come through

**Building the capacity of individuals** to actively take up roles to help pursue the change in the relationships and patterns of interaction among the children, young people and adults within families, the community, learning centers and places of worship.

A change in the societal customs that support and propel risky behaviour and loss of moral values from the family level.

**Active child participation** enables the children and young people to echo their voices on matters that affect them and access to platforms that meaningfully nurture talents.



### **OUR PROGRAMS**



#### Mental Health for Childen and young people

CSO pays attention to childrens' mental health and wellness because mental disorders have an impact on individuals, families, communities and nations. People with mental disorders experience disproportionately higher rates of disability and mortality. We do this through regular screening and assessment for all children in our program.

#### Sexual and reproductive Health and Rights

The Menstrual Hygiene Management Policy 2019 2030 Objective 2 is to ensure that myths, taboos and stigma around menstruation are addressed by providing women, girls, men and boys access to information on menstruation. We do this by training young champions particularly boys, who provide sanitary towels to Adolecsent and youg women (AGYW) on a monthy basis sinc we also established the pad bank that we refill regularly

#### **Prevention of Violence Against children**

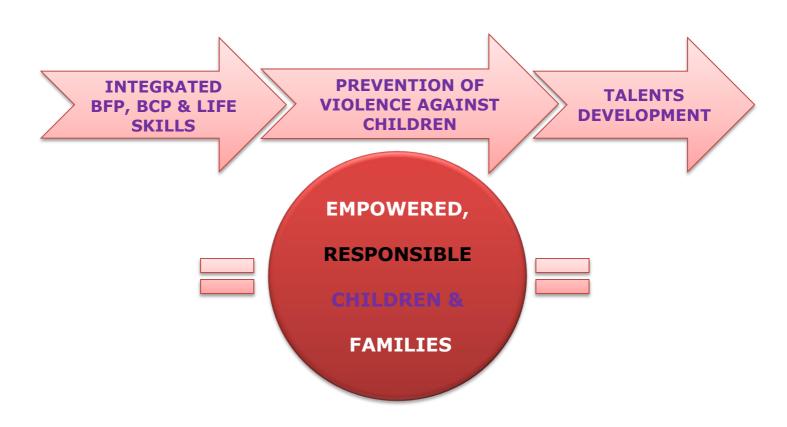
At CSO, we work to prevent violence against children by enhancing parenting skills and practices through parent plus program that seeks to improve spousal relationships, parent-child relationships and training adults and young people on importance of dialogue in families.

#### **Educational Support for Children**

Without education, it is hard to for one to achieve his/her dreams in life. Since we work with children from low income families, we strive to support children's education whenever possible.

### THE SMART CHILDREN CLUB MODEL

Integrated Behaviour Change Process + Prevention of Violence Against Children + Talents Identification & development = Empowered Responsible Children and Families.



# Our Achievements as at 2022...

- **827** Children mentored, changed from their risky behaviours and graduated with certificates from the smart children club.
- **613** parents trained on parents+ program that equips them with skills to handle their adolescents with love and understanding.
- **119 teachers** trained on alternative to Corporal punishment and facilitation skills to prevent violence in schools.
- **30** youth living in informal settlements engaged on Community Learning and Monitoring (CLM)

## **OUR PARTNERS AND NETWORKS**

NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION	WEBSITE LINK
Children's Rights and Violence Prevention Fund (CRVPF)	https://crvpf.org/
African Population Health and Research Center (APHRC)	https://aphrc.org/
Yplus Global	https://www.yplusglobal.org/
Keeping Children Safe	https://www.keepingchildrensafe.global/
World Federarion Against Drugs (WAFD)	https://wfad.se/
FIDA-Kenya	https://www.fida-kenya.org/
GBV Prevention Network	https://preventgbvafrica.org/



































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