Progress Report 2019
It is our pleasure to welcome you to DAPP Namibia’s Progress Report that informs about our work and achievements during 2019.

DAPP Namibia, or Development Aid from People to People, continues to make its contributions to development through projects within health, education and training, community development and climate change actions.

DAPP Namibia embraces the idea that people are the driving force in their own development and that meaningful change is created through a collaborative process. Our project leaders are recruited from local communities and beneficiaries are involved in every phase of the project from design to implementation. We make use of tested approaches and tools with clear development objectives that organize individuals, families and communities to reach desired goals.

Our projects and activities are directly linked with the Sustainable Development Goals as well as the priorities in the National Development Plans as formulated by the Government of Namibia.

On behalf of DAPP Namibia we sincerely thank all our partners, the Government of Namibia, friends, employees and volunteers for your invaluable and continuous support and dedication. We make things work for the people by building capacity and changing lives. DAPP Namibia remains committed to be a reliable partner in development. We hope you will enjoy the reading.

Kirsten Moeller Jensen
Managing Director

DAPP Namibia in brief

Legal status: DAPP Namibia is registered as an incorporated association not for gain 21/90/45 since 1990 and as a welfare organization since 1992. Our constitution is guiding the legal operations, where an annual general meeting is electing the Board of Directors to oversee the operation of the organization. A Managing Director is appointed to lead the day to day activities of the organization.

Objectives: “To carry out welfare and development work of any nature and assist the people of Namibia in order to improve the quality of life in the country. To help children, young people and families in distress or in need”

History: DAPP Namibia grew out of the anti-apartheid movement and started development activities as a Namibian organization based in the Omusati region in 1990. Before that time Development Aid from People to People in Denmark supported Namibians in refugee camps in Angola with practical humanitarian assistance. Several Namibians were also offered scholarships and studied various vocational skills at private schools linked to DAPP in Denmark before Independence.

In the 1990s DAPP Namibia organized tree planting actions and provided good quality and affordable second hand clothes in the DAPP Shops, which also raised funds for other development activities such as health and hygiene education and actions to build latrines and make home improvements in the rural homesteads. All that and much more is now part of history. Today DAPP Namibia takes pride in working in sectors such as health, education, community development, and climate change actions all over Namibia.
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Community Development and the Sustainable Development Goals

Sustainable development has been defined as development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Sustainable development calls for concerted efforts towards building an inclusive, sustainable and resilient future for people and planet.

For sustainable development to be achieved, it is crucial to harmonize three core elements: economic growth, social inclusion and environmental protection. These elements are interconnected and all are crucial for the well-being of individuals and societies. Eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions is an indispensable requirement for sustainable development. To this end, there must be promotion of sustainable, inclusive and equitable economic growth, creating greater opportunities for all, reducing inequalities, raising basic living standards, fostering equitable social development and inclusion, and promoting integrated and sustainable management of natural resources and ecosystems.

DAPP Namibia’s community development programming covers a variety of cross-cutting interventions which holistically contribute to improving the health and well-being of individuals and families in rural and underserviced communities. Our community development programs contribute to the attainment of multiple Sustainable Development Goals as highlighted below:

1. **No Poverty**
   - **End Extreme Poverty in All Forms by 2030**

2. **Zero Hunger**
   - **End Hunger, Achieve Food Security and Improved Nutrition and Promote Sustainable Agriculture**

3. **Good Health and Well-Being**
   - **Ensure Healthy Lives and Promote Well-Being for All at All Ages**

4. **Gender Equality**
   - **Achieve Gender Equality and Empower All Women and Girls**

5. **气候行动**
   - **Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts**

6. **Life on Land**
   - **Plant a tree and help protect the environment**
Implemented by DAPP Namibia and Namibia Nature Foundation (NNF), with support from the EU and UFF Finland, the Farmers’ Clubs project was implemented to train small-scale farmers in Climate-Smart Agriculture for improved resilience and livelihoods.

The Farmers’ Clubs project involves small-scale farmers in 5 constituencies in the Kavango East and West regions of Namibia. The fundamental structures through which the Farmers’ Clubs program is implemented are the self-sustaining clubs with between 30 to 50 members each. 18 clubs were functioning during 2019 with 729 members.

Through these structures farmers learned how to use conservation agriculture methods (minimum soil disturbance, crop rotation and use of mulching) in demonstration fields and to apply them in their own rain fed crop fields as well as in horticulture gardens at a common plot for each club. At the horticulture plot simple solar-based water infrastructure was provided to make it possible to grow vegetables year round.

The informal agricultural sector is a key contributor to household food security in Namibia and to the country’s development. Approximately 70% of the population depends on agricultural production for a portion of their income and livelihoods. The country still imports more than 50% of its cereal and horticultural produce and therefore, enhancing the productive capacity of medium to small scale farmers in the crop and horticulture sub-sectors is a priority for national development.

The Farmers’ Clubs project has made a significant impact in the health and wellbeing of the participating farmers and their families. The project has improved the farmers’ food security, especially during periods of drought such as Namibia experienced during 2018-19. The project has also helped to support the farmers’ household income through the sale of surplus produce which in turn improves the farmers’ health and wellbeing as these funds are typically used by the farmers and their family members to pay children’s school needs, to pay for inevitable trips to the health clinic when sick and other basic needs.

The fact is Namibia is one of the Sub Saharan countries most affected by climate change. It is deepening every year. We are forced to think out of the box and come ups with strategies to mitigate and ensure adaptation to climate change. We need conservation agriculture to increase productivity. And we need these smart partnerships.

Mildred Kambinda, Director DAPEES, Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Forestry.
We received training on how to plant, use manure and how to water. It is different to traditional methods where we used to plough and we did not use manure at all.

Farmer from Kashira village

Before Farmers’ Club I did not know anything about gardening, nothing. But now with Farmers’ Club I can grow all kinds of vegetables in my garden.

Farmer from Kangongo village

We notice the difference. Our children’s bodies have changed. We knew that vegetables are nutritious, but now we can see it with our own eyes.

Farmer from Katenture village

We have seen benefits from this project, this is the reason we are still here, because there are tangible results.

Farmer from Kangongo

DAPP and NNF support will end, but now I have the skills that I can use to produce food for myself and my children.

Farmer from Tjova

I know of people who never had jobs or any income from anywhere but are now able to make an income from this project. I hope that this project can be taken to other communities as well so they can benefit like we are benefitting.

Headman Mabushe
In Namibia there is a big gap between the rich and the poor. In the Child Aid project, we fight together with the poor to improve living conditions for the family and the community. The project mobilized and organized 1055 families in Village Action Groups, where the members work together to learn new things and to take action to improve things that are important for their families and villages.

The project works with up to 10 lines of activities as illustrated above. The project informs to create understanding of an issue and then works with the members to take practical action. For example educates families about health and hygiene and what you can do to prevent illnesses. From there the people take action to build toilets, tippy taps for hand washing, dish racks and firewood saving stoves in the kitchen area, do cleaning actions and more.

During 2019, the 10 Area Leaders in the program mobilized families to establish savings groups with the purpose of supporting the members to start their own income generating activities. In Omusati region, 10 savings groups were established with 94 families, and in Ohangwena region 12 savings groups were established with 119 families. The project was happy to see 59 members of the respective savings clubs starting their own businesses. These members now earn an income from their small businesses.

I became a member of our Village Action Group a year ago. I attended the training on how to be part of a savings group and how to start and run an income generating activity. From there I made a business plan and started my own business to sell fresh fish and fried fish in my village. First I borrowed N$ 500 to buy loose fish, salt, spice flower and cooking oil and I agreed to sell from a space at our local cuca shop. I had to learn to prepare the right number of fish per day, so nothing would go to waste. I paid back my first loan and I still had money left to buy more fish. Now I am happy to say that I am able to earn an income from my business and cater for my needs. The Child Aid program has opened my mind to think positively and I am confident that I will be a future business woman.

Culvi, 22 years old

Further more, major actions went into preparing and establishing 7 community kindergartens, a total of 202 children now enjoy participating in early childhood development activities. Additionally, 118 orphans and vulnerable children were referred for services, and 41 orphans finished the process to become registered for birth certificates and child welfare grants.
Climate Change

The repercussions of climate change will be felt in various ways throughout both natural and human systems in Sub-Saharan Africa. Climate change projections for this region point to a warming trend, particularly in the inland subtropics; frequent occurrence of extreme heat events; increasing aridity; and changes in rainfall with a particularly pronounced decline in southern Africa and an increase in East Africa. The region could also experience as much as one meter of sea-level rise by the end of this century under a 4°C warming scenario.

Sub-Saharan Africa’s already high rates of undernutrition and infectious disease can be expected to increase compared to a scenario without climate change. Particularly vulnerable to these climatic changes are the rainfed agricultural systems on which the livelihoods of a large proportion of the region’s population currently depend.

As agricultural livelihoods become more precarious, the rate of rural–urban migration may be expected to grow, adding to the already significant urbanization trend in the region. The movement of people into informal settlements may expose them to a variety of risks different but no less serious than those faced in their place of origin, including outbreaks of infectious disease, flash flooding and food price increases. (Climate change impacts in Sub-Saharan Africa: from physical changes to their social repercussions).

Namibia is recognized as one of the countries most vulnerable to the impacts of climate change. The predicted increases in temperature and evaporation as well as increased variability of rainfall will exacerbate the existing challenges that Namibia is facing as the driest country south of the Sahara. Given the reliance of the majority of our population on climate-sensitive sectors such as agriculture, livestock management and fishing, the potential impacts of these changes could be catastrophic for our people. In addition, climate change will bring a host of new challenges and opportunities for which we need to be thoroughly prepared (National Policy on Climate Change for Namibia).

The activities implemented by DAPP Namibia provide local climate change mitigation measures at the household and community levels while simultaneously enhancing the health and wellbeing of families and communities.

Plant Trees

We need trees in our homesteads and backyards. This is what DAPP Namibia promotes with families in the Omusati region by planting trees to mitigate deforestation and to provide families with a source of nutritional food from the fruits the trees produce.

Since Namibia’s Independence in 1990, DAPP Namibia has produced and planted more than half a million trees with community members in the Omusati region. But we must keep going, keep on producing and taking care of many more trees. Fruit trees like guava, mango, citrus, trees for shade, trees for animal fodder, trees for extra nutrition such as moringa, trees for beauty and trees for the sake of improving our environment. Climate Change is real.

We all feel the climate becoming more extreme and more unpredictable. Every one of us can do our part by planting and taking care of trees.
Health

**UN Sustainable Development Goals N0.3: Ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all at all times**

Ensuring healthy lives and promoting the well-being for all at all ages is essential to sustainable development. Significant strides have been made in increasing life expectancy and reducing some of the common killers associated with child and maternal mortality. Major progress has been made on increasing access to clean water and sanitation, reducing malaria, tuberculosis, and the spread of HIV/AIDS. However, many more efforts are needed to fully eradicate a wide range of diseases and address many different persistent and emerging health issues.

DAPP Namibia’s health program implementation focusses on delivering targeted and effective community-based interventions to fight HIV/AIDS, TB, and Malaria.
The TCE program in Namibia works in close cooperation with the Ministry of Health and Social Services to provide HIV Testing and associated services to targeted communities. The TCE program had a successful 2019, identifying and diagnosing 1,560 HIV positive individuals who are now linked to life saving treatment and adherence support services and an additional 2,110 HIV positive pregnant women who are now enrolled in Prevention of Mother to Child HIV Transmission (PMTCT) and Ante-natal Care (ANC) services to ensure both they and their unborn babies are healthy.

Namibia has an HIV prevalence of 12.6% within the total population, mostly among the rural poor and in particular marginalized groups such as women, girls and youth. The TCE program targets people at growth points and informal settlements around towns where at times basic public services are hard for people to access. Due to these realities, the program has a tremendous positive effect for people in rural areas and those in towns that are marginalized or being stigmatized because of their HIV status.

Another focus of the TCE program is Tuberculosis (TB) screening due to the high level of HIV/TB co-infection in Namibia. In 2019, 10,966 individuals were screened for TB infection by the TCE program. In addition, to support treatment adherence by HIV positive individuals 3,671 HIV positive people were enrolled in TRIO support groups.

The TCE programs activities are directly aligned with the United Nations UNAIDS 90-90-90 strategy to combat HIV/AIDS. The 90-90-90 strategy is to ensure that 95% of all persons living with HIV will know their HIV Status, 95% of all persons living with HIV will receive antiretroviral therapy, and that 95% of all persons receiving antiretroviral therapy will have viral suppression.

### Development Aid from People to People (DAPP) Namibia:
#### Integrated Community HIV Services Across the Clinical Cascade

- **Community Index Testing**: 24% (1,600/6,658) average yield
- **Linkage to Care**: 92% (1,466/1,659) linkage rate within 7 days
- **Patient Tracing**: 98% (2,367/2,419) re-engagement of those defaulting from care
- **Community Adherence Groups**: 279 CAGs established
- **Mother-baby Pair Follow-up**: 100% (2,222) babies tested negative at 18 months

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Only the people can liberate themselves from HIV/AIDS the epidemic.
The implementation activities utilized by the TCE program have been designed, validated, and optimized in consultation, and with support from, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Namibian Ministry of Health and Social Services in order to ensure optimal alignment of TCEs activities with the specific realities of the HIV epidemic in Namibia. The TCE program in Namibia implements the following activities throughout the year in an ongoing approach to achieving epidemic control:

- Mobilize the community through the one-on-one approach
- Conduct HIV testing focusing on the partners of HIV positive individuals, this is called Index Partner Testing
- Refer pregnant women for prevention of mother to child HIV transmission services and follow-up during 18 months on HIV exposed babies to ensure HIV negativity.
- Establish and train TRIOs for treatment support and adherence amongst HIV positive people
- Trace treatment defaulters in collaboration with the Ministry of Health and get them back on treatment
- Distribute condoms
- The case identification of newly diagnosed HIV positive children

The TCE concept is based on the principle that “only people can liberate themselves from AIDS the epidemic”
TCE and MoHSS in Collaboration and Sharing of Best Practices

In 2019, DAPP and the Ministry of Health and Social Services established a project for DAPP to share best practices with the Ministry to scale-up facility and community-based Index Partner HIV Testing implementation in the Kunene, Otjozondjupa, Omaheke, Karas, Hardap and Erongo regions utilizing Ministry staff.

DAPP is undertaking a process of technical collaboration with the Ministry to transfer the knowledge gained through DAPPs implementation experience in order to help facilitate successful Index Partner HIV Testing scale-up by the Ministry.

The aim of this project is to enhance and achieve the effectiveness of the national Index Partner HIV Testing program with the ultimate aim to increase HIV case finding and retention in treatment of HIV positive patients in Namibia. The technical collaboration between DAPP and the Ministry focusses on three priority areas:

- The optimization of Index Partner Testing (IPT) implementation.
- The optimization of retention in care initiatives including the use of TRIOs to provide community-based treatment adherence support.
- The optimization of Lost to Follow-up (LTFU) patient identification, tracing, and re-linking to treatment.
DAPP Namibia is implementing two malaria programs in regions hardest hit by malaria:

1. The SADC Malaria Elimination 8 (E8) project with 1 fixed health post at Katwitwi border and 4 mobile unit teams implementing in the border area between Namibia and Angola in Kavango West and East regions.

2. The Global Fund Malaria project implemented with 50 community health workers operating in Kavango West and Zambezi regions.

The principal objective of the program activities is to contribute to the elimination of malaria in Namibia and contribute to better control of malaria in the southern part of Angola. This involves working with mobile populations and being able to trace cases of malaria within the cross border targeted areas.

The program was implemented as part of a consortium that was in place to diagnose, test and treat malaria cases in both Namibia and Angola. The consortium consisted of five organisations in both countries: ADPP Angola, the Mentor Initiative, CICA with JC Flowers, NACDO and DAPP Namibia. The consortium led by ADPP Angola supplied the package of testing, diagnosing, treatment and surveillance of malaria as well as social mobilization and education on malaria prevention. However the consortium came to an end 31st March 2019 after a decision by the respective health ministries but still the organizations continued their malaria activities on both sides of the border in cooperation with the Ministry of Health in the two countries.

In 2019 the Katwitwi Malaria Plus clinic tested 2,342 people and the mobile teams tested 32,050 people and those who tested positive for malaria were provided with medication right away.

The Ministry of Health and Social Services would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank your organization for successfully implementing the diagnosis and treatment project of residents, migrant and mobile population in Kavango East and West Regions. Your efforts through the project contributed significantly to the prevention of imported malaria cases and reduced malaria transmission in our endemic regions....... The Ministry appreciates and values your contribution towards the implementation of our national strategy and our ambitious goal to eliminate malaria.

From letter signed by the Executive Director of the Ministry of Health and Social Services.
Mineworkers in Southern Africa are highly affected by the TB and HIV epidemics. Factors such as exposure to silica dust, living in crowded and poorly ventilated accommodation and often working as migrants far from their families put mineworkers at greater risk of contracting TB and HIV. It also puts their families at a high risk.

To address the problem of TB amongst miners in Southern Africa the Global Fund developed a TB in the Mining Sector in Southern Africa program, in short TIMS. As a regional program, TIMS provides, through its service providers and sub recipients, a coordinated response to the impact of TB in the mining sector. Specifically it provides information, screening, active case finding and contact tracing amongst mineworkers, ex-mineworkers and their families. These are considered essential elements in increasing early diagnosis and notification rates of TB amongst key populations.

In this phase II of the TIMS program in Namibia that started in the second half of 2019 DAPP Namibia is one of 3 implementers in Namibia, with the other two being COHENA and CAA. The work is done in close cooperation with and under guidance from the Ministry of Health and Social Services. The three organizations have subcontract agreements with the Enhancing Care Foundation, the consortium based in South Africa that is in front of the TIMS 2 Program in five countries including Namibia.

DAPP Namibia with its community mobilizers are working in the Walvis Bay and Swakopmund Health districts, bringing TB services to the workers in mines, in other workplaces, to the families of present and former mine workers as well as to the communities, where they live.

15,867 people were informed about TB and 4,767 mine workers, former mineworkers, their families and community members with symptoms of TB were screened for TB and those found to have TB were assisted to start treatment via the Occupational Health Centre in Swakopmund or the local health facilities. The community mobilisers assist with TB DOTS (Direct Observed Treatment) as it fits for each person in need.
Education and Training

Obtaining quality education is the foundation to improving people’s lives and sustainable development. Major progress has been made towards increasing access to education at all levels and increasing enrolment rates in schools particularly for women and girls. Basic literacy skills have improved tremendously, yet bolder efforts are needed to make even greater strides for achieving universal education goals.

The Education programming implemented by DAPP Namibia contributes to a broad spectrum of educational development for students in rural communities, these include; the DAPP Kindergarten, DAPP Private School for children in Grades 1 to 9, DAPP Vocational Training School, and a Scholarship Program for continuing studies.
A highlight of 2019 was to see the eight planned production projects become operational. These productions serve three purposes:

1) Skills training for students in different trades
2) Provide a training ground for the students to learn entrepreneurship with all elements involved in practice from the quality of production to marketing, administration etc.
3) An opportunity to generate supplementary income for the school

The productions are:
- Brickmaking project
- Printing Shop
- Garden Farming
- Goat production
- Chicken production
- Sewing workshop
- Bakery with tuck shop
- Model Kindergarten

Case Stories

Foibe Mwatukange, 22 years old

In Namibia, drought is a contributing factor to the poverty in my country. I am very appreciative that through this training I was able to learn more about modern climate smart activities that contribute to better water sustainability. I have already started using these techniques when I return to my village and it has reduced our water waste by improving ways we recycle and reuse it. My family is very proud of me and what I am learning because they know that it is very important for my future and the future of Namibia. I hope to study more in the future at a higher level so that I can become more qualified. I will definitely recommend this course to my friends and family.

Aipinge Timoteus, 20 years old

One of the most rewarding experiences from my agricultural training was the opportunity to drive a tractor. It has always been a dream to me and I was very excited. I never thought that it would be possible because a tractor is a big machine. I hope this experience will make it easier for me to get work and maybe start my own agricultural project. Especially in the conservation field. I am very passionate about conservation because I want to have children one day and I want them to grow food from the land like I did when I was small. I am looking very much forward to passing my course and working to make tomorrow better.
The DAPP Vocational Training School aims to educate young Namibians as craftsmen and women equipped with skills to make a living for themselves. The school further strives to equip the students with personal development skills and attitudes that will enable them to become capable and caring citizens of their country and make contributions in their communities. The school embraces both theory and practice and wants the students to become so broadly exposed and experienced that they can adapt to changing situations. The DAPP Vocational Training School and its courses on offer are accredited by the Namibia Qualification Authority (NQA) and is also registered with the Namibia Training Authority (NTA).

In 2019 the courses and levels were:

- **Office Administration**
  Level 2, 3 (Each level takes a year)

- **Construction**
  Level 1, 2, 3

- **Early Childhood Development Teacher Training**
  Level 5 (2 year course)

- **Agriculture with main focus of crop production**
  Level 2, 3

223 students were enrolled in the school year 2019.

**Entrance walls with “DAPP VTS” proudly built by student from Bricklaying and Plastering Course Level 3: Karlusho Kamanya, who was selected as part of the delegation that represented Namibia at the World Skills Competition in Russia in August 2019.**

**Case Stories**

**Festus Tomas Pendukeni, 32 years old**

My parents were the ones who first told me to apply to this course in conservation agriculture because they were tired of me sitting at home and watching TV. At first, I didn’t want but then when the course started, I was very happy that it was more outside of the classroom than in the classroom. Being in the field and plowing the soil before harvesting is very hard work but the nice agricultural tools that we used made the work easier. I got to learn a lot of things that I didn’t know before. Like how to trim trees, deforestation, water conservation and sustainability. Now every time I go back home, I am always outside and in the garden. Helping my family grow vegetables at home instead of going to the store like before. My parents are very happy for me and it makes me happy to make them happy.

**Tulihongeni Shikomba, 29 years old**

When I started this course, I thought it was going to be very easy because I grew up in the village and I am very good with my hands. I was very surprised to see how challenging it was. The theories and concepts relating to climate smart agriculture were new to me. It was hard at first to learn them but the instructors made things easy by explaining things with examples. Learning to use the agricultural tools provided in the course was very nice because in my village we only used to use our hands and strong wooden sticks. My favorite experience from the course was working on farm machinery. I really like engines so knowing how they work was a lot of fun. The only thing I would change from the course is to have more time driving the tractor.
ECD Teacher Training

ECD for Early Childhood Development, also called POF Teacher Training, which stands for Preschool Teachers of the Future.

The course aims at training young Namibians as good teachers for young children as well as to become entrepreneurs that are capable of starting and operating Kindergartens in rural communities. This aim is in line with an expressed need in the country and a priority formulated in the National Development Plan to give all young children in Namibia access to early childhood development activities.

The Early Childhood Development (ECD) Teacher Training course is accredited by Namibia Qualification Authority (NQA) and students will end with a Diploma, level 5. In 2019 all 44 students who completed the 2 year course passed their assessments and will receive their Diplomas in ECD Teaching, level 5, while 29 students finished the first year of training.

The ECD Teacher Training Course is an innovative programme that is being implemented over 2 years, divided into 4 semesters each with their headline and selected subjects in focus:

**Semester 1: So what is life all about?**
- Namibia Today
- Africa – History and Future
- World Challenges
Highlight: Travel period and investigations in our country, Namibia.

**Semester 2: Kindergarten of the Future**
- Childhood Development
- Values and Behaviours
- Premises and Equipment
- Learning through Play
- English and local Language
Highlight: First practice period in local Kindergartens and ECD Centres.

**Semester 3: Stamping our mark in the pre-school**
- Teaching Methodology
- Professional Practice
- Child Development
- Health and Safety
Highlight: Longer practice period in local Kindergartens, ECD Centres or Pre-primary classes.

**Semester 4: Stamping our mark in the community**
- Management and Staff
- Nutrition and Healthy Food
- Community Development
Highlight: Practical Actions with parents in Community Development.
The DAPP Private School consists of grade 1-9 with 356 learners, under the care of 16 teachers and 6 other institutional employees. Over the years the DAPP Private School has been known for its reputable academic performance leading the school to be one of the best schools in the Omusati region. In previous years, the school offered grade 10, but due to curriculum changes that were effected in 2019, it was decided at ministerial level that grade 10 will no longer be considered as a junior secondary grade.

This year’s internal November-December examination results showed an average performance of 95% pass rate, which is an overall positive result. This in spite of the challenge of not having the right materials to implement the new curriculum but thanks to the teachers being inventive to find the relevant content and materials, we managed.

Earlier in this school year DAPP Private School engaged the School Board and parents to address the challenges experienced with regard to learners who did not make it in the April internal examinations. The school has seen that this action was well responded to and resulted in better results at the end of the year, that we are proud of. It was a sign that together we can make things better.

Grade 8 and 9 participated in field study trips to weather station, Olufuko Centre, and grade 9 went on a longer study tour to Windhoek where the learners among other interesting sites visited the Hosea Kutako International Airport, Bank of Namibia and Heroes Acre.

The learners, parents and teachers celebrated a highlight of the year, namely that the school procured a new school bus by the help of the School Board. It is a brand new 65 seater, that was partly paid for via school savings and partly by a bank loan to be paid back over the next 5 years by the help of bus fees contributed by the 200+ users. Every day our committed driver is bringing the learners to the school in three trips in the morning and three trips back to Outapi in the afternoons, securing a safe travel back and forth to the school.
DAPP Kindergarten welcomes children from 3 to 6 years of age with a two year early childhood development programme and a one year pre-primary programme for 5 to 6 year old children.

The aim of the DAPP Kindergarten is to implement activities that are fun, engaging, and educative both indoor in the classroom and outdoor with an understanding that children of these ages learn best through play. Headlines such as: Use your brain, use your body, and use your hands divide daily activities that let the children explore the exiting world around us. Teachers guide the children with a lot of positive encouragement.

The DAPP Kindergarten consists of 3 class rooms, a big outdoor space with a playground all based in a safe environment at the DAPP Centre neighbouring the DAPP Private School and the DAPP Vocational Training School. The kindergarten area is fenced in so that children can play safely at the playground and enjoy their refreshments at the shaded area with tables and benches. The Kindergarten operates with expenses covered by parents paying monthly school fees. Students from ECD Teacher Training Course have the opportunity to practice and build their teaching and caring skills with the children at the DAPP Kindergarten. This is a win-win situation for the children and teachers as the students often bring new interesting topics and ways.

The DAPP Kindergarten holds parents’ meetings and works in good collaboration with the Ministry of Gender Equality and Child Welfare. In 2019 the classrooms were renovated with the floors being tiled and walls painted. Another new development was the establishment of a big shaded area with new tables and benches for all the children to sit and eat, meet and play. 75 children were engaged at the DAPP Kindergarten.
DAPP Namibia hereby wants to sincerely thank all our international and national partners. Without your financial support big, medium, small, all counts, we would not be able to serve all the people that benefit from our projects. Together we are really making a positive difference in many people’s lives. We are looking forward to continue to do the work together with all of you in the coming years.

Financial Information

DAPP Namibia has policies and internal controls in place for secure financial management and is continuously making sure that the practices to take good care of the funds entrusted in the organization are optimal. Every year our accounts are audited by an external auditor, Ernst & Young, to international standards.

**Income**

- National Development Partners, 7%
- International Development Partners, 83%
- School Fees, 9%
- Education Sector, 23%
- Community Development and Climate Change Actions, 6%
- Health Sector, 71%

It is about development aid from people to people and every support counts.
The Federation for associations connected to the International Humana People to People movement (the Federation HPP) is a network of non-profit associations engaged in international solidarity, cooperation and development, with 40 years of experience in creating development together with people and a commitment to tackle some of the world’s major humanitarian, social and environmental challenges.

Today the Federation HPP has 30 independent associations as members from Europe and North America, from Africa, Asia and South America. The members receive services from the Federation HPP to reach their objectives as development organisations and be on the forefront of the international development agenda.

DAPP Namibia as a member benefits from inspiration from all over the world and knowledge of best practices from the regions where similar conditions and challenges mean that experiences can be adapted and replicated and contribute to people centered solutions to, for instance, epidemic control of HIV and adaptation to climate changes.

The Sustainable Development Goals continue to serve as an overall point of reference for the broad spectrum of activities undertaken by the Federation HPP and its members.

Scholarships

In 2019 DAPP Namibia with support from Humana People to People partners offered 11 of our employees scholarships to study and practice at Frontline Institute in Zimbabwe. Established in 1993 Frontline Institute trains employees of Humana People to People members to be in the frontline of development to fight against dehumanizing phenomena such as poverty, illiteracy, gender inequality, poor health, food insecurity and more. The students are coming together from different countries and continents and are trained in project management, planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation, report writing and fundraising. This is done both in theory as well and in practice. DAPP Namibia as well as the employees are benefitting a great deal from this arrangement.
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