

4-H ZIMBABWE 2023 INSTITUTIONAL REPORT.



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Executive Director's Foreword



4-H Zimbabwe Foundation's 2023 Institutional Report gives a summary of the impact on our three main strategic thematic areas namely; (i) Peace & Governance; (ii) Food Security and Climate Change Education programming and (iii) Youth Health living environment.

Continuous partnering with other like-minded organisations, Government Ministries (Ministry of Youth Empowerment, Development and Vocational Training, Ministry of Sports, Arts and Recreation, Ministry of Lands, Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Rural Development (MoLAWFRD), Ministry of Environment, Water and Climate (MoEWC), Ministry of Health and Child Care (MoHCC) and various stakeholders (National Peace Reconciliation Commission and Zimbabwe Republic Police) enabled us to collaborate our efforts and have a greater impact in Zimbabwe and beyond. Focusing on promoting peace and political tolerance, anti-drug abuse awareness, food security and climate change mitigation strategies, the organisation managed to realign its focus in reducing violence and hunger in the country. In financial year of 2023, 4-H Zimbabwe managed to reach out to approximately 5 million young people through its peace building and food security programming.

The organisation's peace campaign "Youth4Peace" was founded on the desire to end politically motivated violence amongst the youth in Zimbabwe especially looking at the 2023 harmonised elections. In 2023, 4-H Zimbabwe partnered with eleven (11) political parties (ZCPD, ZIPP, ZANU-PF, CCC, MDC, NCA, DOP, FreeZim, NPC, UANC and UZA) in promoting peace and tolerance in Zimbabwe. In addition, 4-H Zimbabwe Foundation continued with its partnership with the MoLAWFRD in promoting indigenous, establishment of women-led nutrition gardens, conservative farming methods and climate change education on rural farmers, on ending hunger and malnutrition through capacity building and drilling of solar powered boreholes. In conclusion, 4-H Zimbabwe Foundation gives special thanks to our Board of Trustees, Partners, Donors, and Stakeholders for both financial and technical support.

Board Chairperson's Remarks



As the Board Chairperson of 4-H Zimbabwe Foundation, it is my pleasure to present the organisation's 2023 Annual Report. It is the ultimate responsibility of the Board to provide continuous strategic direction and oversight role in ensuring its interventions remain within the approved vision – “to see a prosperous Zimbabwe where young people collectively play a significant and meaningful role in sustainable development”. Major highlights were noted in the inaugural signing of the Youth Peace Pledge and Zimbabwe Youth Charter on Peace in the Electoral Processes which gave birth to the Youth Council for Peace and Development (YCPD). The organisation continued support to the 400 women farmers who benefitted from the 8 solar powered women led gardens established in Hurungwe rural district in Mashonaland West Province and approved of Women, Water and Food project in Chiwundura rural district, Midlands Province which will see over 5000 rural farmers benefitting from the initiative. Broadening of financial resources with increased donor and partners' confidence in the organisation's work marks the growth of the organisation in 2023.

On behalf of the 4-H Zimbabwe Foundation Board of Trustees, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to the Secretariat for the sterling performance displayed during 2023. Special thanks to our Donors, Political Parties, key stakeholders and Government of Zimbabwe for the trust invested in the organisation.



About 4-H Zimbabwe

4-H Zimbabwe Foundation is a youth serving non-governmental organization whose mission is to empower and capacitate youth to be responsible, caring and leaders that effect positive change in the world around them. We work towards enabling young people to connect and co-create so as to achieve the sustainable development goals. We are driven by the desire to promote peaceful and just societies in which young people have equitable access to basic human rights. We labour alongside supporters, stakeholders, partners, communities, and families to transform and enrich lives in Zimbabwe. Together with our partners, we have impacted over 5 million people in Zimbabwe. It is our utmost gratitude to work with young and our generous donors in empowering and transforming communities, without them, we would not be able to do what we are doing.

I. Peace and Governance

In the year 2023, 4-H Zimbabwe worked towards inclusive peace building and political tolerance amongst diverse youth groups. The interventions during the year were focused on ensuring meaningful youth participation in peace building, national development and leadership processes. The organisation successfully worked with eleven different political parties namely the ruling party Zimbabwe National Union Patriotic Front (ZANU-PF), Citizens Coalition for Change (CCC), Movement for Democratic Change (MDC), National Constitutional Assembly (NCA), FREEZIM Congress (FREEZIM), Zimbabwe Coalition for Peace and Development (ZCPD), United Zimbabwe Alliance (UZA), Democratic Opposition Party (DOP), National People's Congress (NPC), United African National Council (UANC) and Zimbabwe Partnership for Prosperity (ZIPP). The signing of the first ever Youth Peace Pledge at national and provincial level have aided efforts towards positive peace building processes in Zimbabwe which contributed to a better peaceful environment during the 2023 harmonised elections. In addition, Zimbabwe Youth Charter on Peace in the Electoral Processes was also signed by the 11 political parties. The Charter gave birth to the Youth Council for Peace and Development (YCPD) which is a platform for youth engagement which focuses on youth inclusion on peace building, national development and leadership processes. Inclusion was integrated into the interventions, ensuring that people with disabilities and women are meaningfully included in programming as evidenced by the capacity building sessions held which 45 PWDs benefitted.



2. Food Security and Climate Change Programming

2023, 4-H Zimbabwe made notable progress in advancing climate action through a multifaceted approach that included education, capacity building for rural women, strategic partnerships, and international cooperation. The organization's initiatives have contributed significantly to raising awareness, enhancing resilience, and promoting sustainable practices across Zimbabwe. Looking ahead, 4-H Zimbabwe plans to build on these achievements by expanding its programs, strengthening partnerships, and continuing to leverage international support to address the evolving challenges of climate change. The collective efforts of the organization, its partners, and the communities it serves are crucial in driving meaningful progress towards a sustainable and resilient future.



3. Youth Healthy Living Environment

In 2023, our interventions sought to improve children and young people's physical and mental health. Innovative approaches to the promotion of physical health such as sport for development were used to achieve crucial outcomes for children and youth, such as learning, health, peace building processes, community cohesion, empowerment and protection. The organisation successfully engaged over 1000 young people (children and youth) through sport4Education program. The organisation has used sport as an educational tool, addressing gender inequality, and create awareness on anti-drug and substance abuse in Zimbabwe.



Highlight



4-H Zimbabwe Regional Recognition. At a regional level

4-H Zimbabwe Foundation was granted an Award by the African Union Political Affairs, Peace and Security department in recognition of the organisation's work in advancing youth peace and security agenda in the region.

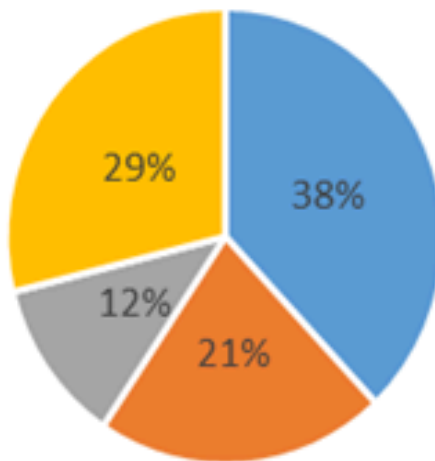


Financial summary



The Grants received in 2023 amounted to USD262 120.00. The total expenditure for the year was USD256 426.00. Peace and governance 38%, Food Security and Climate Change programming 21%, Health living environment 12% and Institutional support 29%. FY23, more funds were spent on Peace and Governance since Zimbabwe held harmonised elections during the same year.

4-H Zimbabwe FY23 Expenditure summary



- Peace and Governance
- Food Security and Climate Change Programming
- Health Living Environment
- Institutional Support

4-H Zimbabwe Donors and Partners



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