

2020 NEWS LETTER

SIMBAS FOOTPRINTS FOUNDATION

As we wrap up another year, we are able to reflect on the challenges and triumphs of this past year. As the world continues to fight this pandemic it brings to light the need for a change in mindset, a change in the way things have been done in the past, and a need for our global community to come together and strengthen bonds for a better future moving forward!

We have a Community-Led Development approach to development. We recognize that locally-led organizations are more sustainable if the solution is driven by the members of the community that the organization is trying to serve.

Our center continues to grow and thrive, our local leadership has been the driving force behind our organizational success. We have grown to a team of 9 staff and this year we were able to reach over 700 children from the Moshi community. We strengthened our partnership with Asali Project who we work closely to fund the center and build programs. This year we hosted over 5 community events, and we were at the forefront of the Covid-19 response for our community. We had a successful year despite the pandemic which speaks to the strength of our team, leadership, and partners. We launched our new youth empowerment program and continued to build and strengthen our relationships with both our local community, government, and partners. Oh, and we got a website makeover too!! Our team continues to grow and reach more children in our community, but none of this would be possible without our amazing supporters, partners, and donors. Thank you for being part of our journey!

Sincerely,
Simba's Footprints Team



IMPACT REPORT 2020

SIMBAS COMMUNITY CENTER

Simbas Footprints Community Center is a locally run registered NGO working in Moshi, a community located in the Kilimanjaro Region of Tanzania. The Simba's Community Center strives to empower the surrounding areas by providing resources, education, and support to children and families. We believe that by strengthening the children we strengthen the entire community.

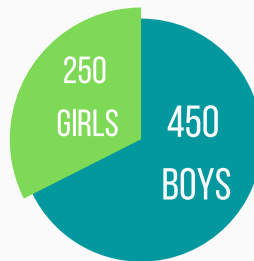
Mission: To unlock youth potential through creative programming and community-driven solutions.

Vision: A thriving community led by creative problem solvers working to foster the unlimited potential of future generations, who are empowered to take ownership of their careers and futures.



SIMBAS PROGRAMS

GENDER



- **Simba's Club** – Music program, Arts and Crafts, Sports Programs, Dance, Drama and Acrobats
- **Health & Education Program**
- **Women's and Girl Empowerment Program**
- **English Program**
- **Teacher Trainings**
- **Community Support Projects**
- **Children's Council**

For more information about any of our program please reach out to info@simbasfootprints.org

700 youths



we work with 700 youth from the community through all the different programs Simba's offered

9 programs



6 extra curricular programs, 2 in school education programs, 1 women's empowerment program

4 Public Schools



Simba's currently supports 4 public primary schools in the Moshi Maniciple

9 Community Outreach Projects



Renovations of classrooms in public schools, renovation of public sports fields, COVID-19 Community Support, community health support, Kahe water project,

PROGRAM UPDATES

SIMBAS CLUB

Our after school program at the Community Center involves different extra curricular activities such as Football, Music, Dance, Drama, Arts & Crafts, Library and tutoring hours.

Updates: This year we added a girls football team to our sports program. We added more instruments to the music studio and the children recorded their first song. Two of our kids from the drama program were selected to participate film series with famous actors from Tanzania.



EDUCATION PROGRAM

Our English program aims to improve children's chances of continuing their education. English is critical for students' education, as after Standard 7, the entire education system switches from Swahili to English. Library: Simbas Community Center offers a library full of books from all levels and all the course textbooks our students need. We also offer homework help and open study hours. Teacher Trainings: Simbas implemented its teacher development training for public school educators at all of our partner schools

Second Chance Scholarships: Simbas provides scholarships to deserving students who find themselves out of schools. These scholarships allow them a second chance at an education or vocational training skills.

Updates: Hosted 5 teacher trainings. Added one teacher to our English program. Launched our early childhood development program. Created partnerships through a pen pal program with 2 schools in the US.



PROGRAM UPDATES

WOMEN & GIRLS EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

Our Binti Yetu program is an initiative to train young girls around the ages of 13-18 years on women's reproductive rights as well as the resources and materials to make reusable pads. Women's entrepreneurship program: This training program is for women aged 17-30. This course is programmed to teach women the hard skills needed to produce textile and other products, as well as educating them in entrepreneurship skills to increase their employability and self-sustainability.

Updates: Witnessed a big growth in enrollment for the sewing program. We currently have 12 students enrolled in our sewing program and 7 are graduating this year. Our Binti Yetu program expanded into 1 more school making it in total 4 schools.



OUTREACH PROJECT'S

We engage with our community in a variety of outreach activities including Community Events, Health Insurance Program, School Fee Support, Students Council, Workshops, Refurbishment projects: classroom renovations, sports grounds, community projects

Updates: We were at the forefront of the Covid-19 response, provided over 1000 masks to our community, 5 touch free water stations, 200 family care packages and provided education around Covid-19 awareness to students and teachers. We also renovated a community sports field and hosted 5 community events.

