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Project Launch

Expanding Early Intervention and Community Support



Nzeve officially launched the Early Intervention, Advocacy and Community Impact Project in both Chipinge and Makoni Districts, bringing together government stakeholders, district partners and community representatives.

The inception meetings aligned stakeholders on the project's scope, implementation approach and expected outcomes. The project focuses on strengthening early intervention services, including support for children with disabilities and developmental delays, empowering youths with disabilities through advocacy and skills development, and promoting inclusive community support systems.

In Makoni District, this work is already taking shape through the establishment of a playcentre, expanding access to early learning and developmental support.

By launching across both districts, the initiative is strengthening coordinated, inclusive systems that ensure children and communities receive the support they need.



Gender-Based Violence Prevention - Skills Training

Advancing Inclusive Livelihoods for Deaf Young Women

Nzeve strengthened its commitment to reducing gender-based violence through economic empowerment initiatives targeting Deaf young women.

Through a manicure and pedicure skills training programme, participants gained practical, income-generating skills while building confidence and independence.

Implemented with support from Women Against Violence Through Empowerment (WAVE), in partnership with Family Support Trust (FST) and the Adult Rape Clinic, the initiative is creating pathways toward sustainable livelihoods.



Beyond skills development, the programme supports greater economic participation, helping to reduce vulnerability and promote safer, more independent futures for Deaf young women.



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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

As we begin 2026, we reflect on the progress made in expanding inclusion, strengthening communities and creating opportunities for children and persons with disabilities.

We remain committed to working with our partners and communities to build lasting, inclusive change and ensure that every child is supported to thrive.

SRHR & EDUCATION

From Teachers to Learners: Strengthening SRHR Education

With support from Amplify Change through the Let's Communicate More (Tauriranai) project, Nzeve trained Resource Unit teachers, Guidance and Counselling teachers, and educators working with children with disabilities to deliver inclusive SRHR education and strengthen safeguarding systems.

This was followed by school visits sessions for Deaf learners at Mutambara, Munyoro, Chirowakamwe and Manzinde schools on relationships, family structures, HIV and STIs, strengthening confidence and informed decision-making.

Community SRHR Outreach in Chipinge

With support from Amplify Change through the Tauriranai / Let's Communicate More project, Nzeve conducted SRHR outreach sessions in Chipinge Sabi Valley Gaza Hall and Heilrand Primary School with the Department of Social Development and the Ministry of Health and Child Care, improving access to information for persons with disabilities and caregivers.

**Highlights****Parenting Pathways (Early Intervention)**

Nzeve continues to support children with developmental delays in Manicaland with support from Brot für die Welt through the Parenting Pathways sessions, helping them reach key milestones.

International Women's Day 2026

Nzeve marked International Women's Day 2026 in Bocha, reaffirming its commitment to inclusion and empowerment for women and girls with disabilities.

**Early Intervention & Community Health****Hearing Health Services Reach Communities in Makoni**

In Denzva (Ward 27) and Tsanzaguru Clinic, Nzeve brought hearing health services closer to the community, reaching many residents for the first time. This marks an important step in early identification, ensuring children receive intervention when it matters most.

Working under the Early Intervention, Advocacy and Community Impact initiative, the outreach combined screenings with awareness on early detection for children with hearing loss and developmental delays. Children identified were referred for further care, while caregivers received guidance on supporting children at home.

Beyond screenings, the sessions strengthened understanding on hearing health, safeguarding, and rehabilitation, equipping families to support children's development and wellbeing.

Safeguarding & Organisational Strengthening**Strengthening Safe and Inclusive Practice**

Creating safe, respectful environments starts from within. Nzeve staff recently came together for a safeguarding training aimed at strengthening how we protect the children, persons with disabilities and communities we serve.

The session focused on the core pillars of safeguarding prevention, reporting and response while reinforcing the role every staff member plays in recognizing, responding to and preventing harm.

By strengthening these practices, Nzeve is ensuring that all programmes are delivered with dignity, safety and accountability at the centre.

