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Our Vision

Healthy, empowered families and communities where all children and youth are protected and have access to inclusive health, education and development opportunities in Zimbabwe.



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“The CBR training strengthened my ability to support children with disabilities and their caregivers. With the bicycle, smartphone, and solar light from JF Kapnek Zimbabwe, supported by MiVA, my work is easier and I now reach more families every day.”
-Jefta Moyo, CBR Facilitator



TASQC Program Performance Highlights

Driving Quality Services Through Partnership and Data-Driven Action

HIV Testing and Treatment Outcomes (Oct–Dec 2025)

- Total number of people tested for HIV: **39 117**
- Number of people who tested HIV positive: **1 136**
- Number of people initiated on ART: **1 097**

Cervical Cancer Screening and Care

- Total number of women screened for cervical cancer: **6 381**
- Number of women who tested positive/suspected: **323**
- Number of women linked to treatment and care: **273**

Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission (PMTCT)

- HIV-positive mothers supported during pregnancy: **720**
- Total live births: **628**
- HIV exposed infants tested for the first time with results: **626**
- HIV negative infants: **610**
- HIV-negative babies born to HIV-positive mothers: **420**



Every number represents a life reached, a family supported, and a future protected.

Collaboration for Change: A Message from Our Partners

Together, We Are Shaping Healthier Future

Through strong collaboration with government, donors, communities, and implementing partners, JF Kapnek Zimbabwe continues to translate shared vision into measurable impact. Our partnerships remain the cornerstone of sustainable change-strengthening health systems, expanding access to quality services, and restoring hope where it is needed most.



Liliane Fonds

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> Nakai with her mother Edinah and fieldworker Philip, who provides ongoing home-based support and rehabilitation through our partner JF Kapnek in Zimbabwe. PHOTO: RONNIE DANKELMAN

"If we continue to carry out our work with love and keep complementing one another as we do, we can all look to the future with great confidence."

More than twenty years ago, Liliane Brekelmans, founder of Liliane Fonds, spoke these words. And of course she was right, we see it every day.

If anything defines our shared work and mission, it is our collective, compassionate commitment to the most vulnerable people. In this, the knowledge, expertise and experience of your organisation are of great significance. Together, we complement and truly strengthen one another and above all, we strengthen all the people around the world for whom we work together.

What I also read in Liliane's words is this: let every voice be heard. Last year, we set a movement in motion to promote greater equality in our global partnerships: Equal Voices. A movement guiding us towards partnerships in which every voice carries equal weight.

I look towards the new year with confidence, regardless of the changes in the world around us. Through our collaboration, we continue to make a real difference for children and young people with disabilities, often living in the most complex and fragile circumstances.

I wish you, your staff and colleagues and all your loved ones a healthy, happy and successful 2026.

Erik Ackerman
Director, Liliane Fonds and MIVA



Inclusive Early Childhood Development

ISALs Transforming Lives: The Kufuma Ishungu Success Story

The Kufuma Ishungu ISALs Group in Mhondoro Ngezi District demonstrates the powerful impact of community-driven savings and livelihoods initiatives. Comprising 15 dedicated caregivers, many supporting children in ECD at Benhura Primary School, including children with disabilities, the group has shown resilience and unity in the face of economic hardship.

Through the Internal Savings and Lending Scheme (ISALs), members have invested in horticulture, cattle fattening, poultry production, and small grocery shops, improving household incomes, food security, and their ability to meet education, health, and nutrition needs. A notable milestone is that seven members have drilled boreholes at their homesteads using ISALs profits, significantly improving access to clean water, hygiene, and sanitation.

Guided by consistent mentorship from Madam Dick of Benhura Primary School, the group has strengthened financial discipline and cohesion. Today, Kufuma Ishungu stands as a model of inclusive livelihoods, showing how empowering caregivers -especially those supporting young children and children with disabilities, leads to improved ECD outcomes, dignity, and long-term resilience within communities.



Health & Nutrition Interventions

Nourishing Health, Strengthening Communities

Health Assessments

10897 children reached and 731 received on spot treatments.



Corn Soya Blend (CSB) Support

Good nutrition today lays the foundation for healthy, productive lives tomorrow.



Investing in early childhood is investing in the nation's future.

Infrastructure Improvements

Creating Safe, Stimulating Spaces for Early Learning

- **ECD Classroom Renovations:**

Improving learning environments to promote safety, dignity, and quality early education. We managed to renovate 4 schools



- **ECD Borehole Drilling Projects:**

Ensuring reliable access to safe water for children, educators, and surrounding communities.



MAPP / CBR Program Highlights

The MAPP/CBR programme strengthened health through early identification of disabilities, timely referrals and supported education by engaging CBR Fieldworkers, Adolescent Disability Ambassadors, support groups to promote inclusion and reduce stigma in schools and the community. Livelihoods were enhanced via advocacy for disability inclusive policies, linking persons with disabilities to empowerment and income generating activities. Empowerment and advocacy were strengthened through trained support groups and Organisations For Persons With Disabilities (OPDs) that educated communities, facilitated referrals, and promoted participation in decision making. Social inclusion improved through awareness raising and stigma reduction activities, while partnerships and systems strengthening with government and community stakeholders, along with increased mobility for fieldworkers, enhanced outreach, coordination and sustainability of CBR services.



Restoring Mobility, Dignity, and Independence

Bicycles for Access: As part of efforts to promote early identification and early intervention of children with disabilities, JF Kapnek Zimbabwe distributed 144 bicycles and 150 phones to CBR fieldworkers. Bicycles enable CBR fieldworkers to reach remote and hard-to-access communities more efficiently, improving the regularity and coverage of household visits and follow-up support. This reduces travel time and costs, supports timely referrals and monitoring, and enhances continuity of CBR services, including early identification of disability, community sensitization, and linkage of persons with disabilities to health, education, and livelihood services.



Through dedication and innovation, CBR fieldworkers transformed access to services for persons with disabilities in a hard-to-reach rural community. Using bicycles and phones to conduct regular household visits, fieldworkers identified children with disabilities early, provided basic rehabilitation guidance to caregivers, and link families to health, education, and livelihood support services. By working closely with local leaders, support groups, and OPDs, CBR fieldworkers helped reduce stigma, strengthened community ownership, and ensured consistent follow-up of referrals. As a result, families reported improved access to services, increased participation of persons with disabilities in community activities, and stronger collaboration between communities and service providers, demonstrating the vital role of CBR fieldworkers in driving inclusive community-level change.



Inclusion is not an option-it is a commitment.

OAK P2P Program Achievements (Oct–Dec 2025)

The Enhancing Pathways to Possibility project has successfully completed its first year of implementation, marking important progress in expanding access to rehabilitation services for children with disabilities aged 0–5 years. Through sustained outreach efforts, community awareness activities, and meaningful engagement with key stakeholders, the project has continued to bring services closer to families who need them most.

Over the course of the year, a cumulative total of 2,812 individuals have been reached, with 300 new children accessing services during this quarter alone.

Child Success Story

When Pat was four years old, he had never taken a single step on his own. Born with a physical disability that delayed his developmental milestones, everyday movements that other children took for granted remained a challenge. His parents, desperate to help their son, sought assistance wherever they could—including from traditional healers—but nothing seemed to change. With each passing year, their hope began to fade. Everything changed when the Enhancing Pathways to Possibility project reached their community. Through ongoing outreach sessions, Pat was identified and enrolled in a structured rehabilitation programme using the village model, where caregivers attend intensive therapy sessions at the hospital for one week. For the first time, Pat received consistent, professional support and his parents were empowered with the knowledge and skills to support his progress at home.

These efforts reflect the growing visibility and acceptance of early rehabilitation within the communities. To further capture this journey, a documentary was produced, telling the story of the project's implementation and highlighting the tangible changes and impact achieved so far across the districts of implementation.



Week by week, small improvements began to emerge. With sustained therapy, encouragement, and practice, Pat gradually gained strength, balance, and confidence. Today, Pat can walk independently a milestone that once felt impossible. His transformation has not only changed his life but has also restored hope and confidence within his family.

Pat's story is a powerful testament to the life-changing impact of early rehabilitation, community outreach, and caregiver engagement. It demonstrates that when the right support reaches children early, possibilities become realities.

*(Pat is not his real name.)

Impact in Pictures

A Quarter In Review



Our teams manoeuvring through challenging terrain to deliver essential services to beneficiaries.



OVC Programmes Manager presenting key insights at the 2025 OVC Programmes Annual Review in Nyanga.



JF Kapnek men following proceedings at the Men's Indaba to advance men's wellness in Masvingo.



Adolescent disability ambassadors at the International Day of Persons with Disabilities commemoration in Zaka.



JF Kapnek and OPHID teams at the World AIDS Day commemorations at Mzingwane High School.



CBR field workers receiving bicycles and mobile phones.

Upcoming Events

Month

Event

Date

February

World Cancer Day

4 February

International Epilepsy Day

12 February

March

Africa Day For School Feeding

1 March

Women's Month

Month-long

International Women's Day

8 March

World Social Work Day

17 March

World Tuberculosis Day

24 March

Knowledge Corner



How Well Do You Know Our Programs?

Test your knowledge and stand a chance to win JF Kapnek branded merchandise (cap or T-shirt).

Quiz Question: What does P2P stand for in the OAK P2P Program?



Submit your answer to our official inbox via our communication channels.

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