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**WORKPLAN FOR TOT TRAINING ON HIV/AIDS PREVENTION AND CONTROL**

**INTRODUCTION**

Homeless Children International-Kenya (HCI-Kenya), under the operating name *Teule Kenya* (Swahili for “Chosen”), is a non-governmental organization, registered in March 1996 under the NGOs Act. HCI-Kenya works with orphaned and vulnerable children in their own home backgrounds and with those in homeless situations. Our work is geared towards helping them access their rights under the Kenya Children’s Act 2001 and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Our operations are mainly in two different provinces: Nairobi Province & District (in the slums) and Loitokitok in Kajiado District, Rift Valley Province. Increasingly HCI-Kenya is dealing with HIV/AIDS orphans and Maasai girls rescued from FGM and early marriage in Oloitokitok.

The aim of the organization is to provide orphaned and vulnerable children with a nurturing environment that supports education, personal growth, spiritual growth and career development. To this end we carry out rehabilitation through counseling, medical care, feeding programs, providing clothing and shelter, opportunities for formal education to the highest level possible and also re-integrate the children back to their families.

HCI-Kenya began its work directly on the streets of Nairobi, building relationships with a small group of street children in 1994, identifying their needs and teaching and feeding them on the streets. From the time children left the streets, HCI-Kenya committed to walk alongside them until they attained the highest possible level of education or training and equip them with life and professional skills.

HCI-Kenya currently serves 373 children, with another 66 fee paying pupils at Kibo Slopes Academy. 80% of the children currently in HCI-Kenya are based in the community.

HCI-Kenya runs a primary school - Kibo Slopes Academy (KSA) in Loitokitok (LTK) Kajiado District. The school was registered in January 2006 by the government as a formal school. The primary objective of the school is to provide special and formal education for children in our programme and those from the Loitokitok community. Due to the nature of cases we deal with, HCI-Kenya also operates a home (rescue centre) in Loitokitok. The home with a capacity of 79 is currently providing shelter to 59 children (46girls & 13boys).

**VISION STATEMENT:**

Empowered Orphans and Vulnerable Children to find dignity, maximize their potential and discover the love of Jesus Christ.

**MISSION STATEMENT:**

To share the love of Christ with children on the streets by building relationships that instill hope for the future in a nurturing environment that supports excellence in education, career development and spiritual growth.

**MOTTO:**

“Equipping for Excellence”.

**GOVERNANCE:**

A Kenyan Board of Directors provides guidance, accountability, and ensures HCI-Kenya’s adherence to its policies and plans

Hence, the anticipated TOT is to equip the project staff with the skills of HIV/AIDS Prevention and control to work with these youth under their supervision.