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## **Discover Zimbabwe Trust-Green4 Life Project Report**

Discover Zimbabwe Trust (DZT) is a registered non-profit making organization with a mandate to promote health, economic and peaceful opportunities that strengthens and support marginalized communities to realize their full potential and well-being. This is done to promote sustainable livelihoods and lifelong learning that mitigates the impact of poverty, disasters, and emergencies through innovative approaches in Zimbabwe. The areas of operation targets both rural and urban areas through collaborative and innovative approaches in Zimbabwe.

In partnership with Discover Germany, Discover Zimbabwe through Green4LifeProject, is promoting environmental conservation and awareness on tree planting and caring in the context of climate change. The project agenda is not only to plant trees but also to promote tree growing especially in areas that are heavily affected by deforestation. This approach is meant to solidify our vision of promoting sustainable environment not only for the benefit of the current but the future generation. As such, under the Green4LifeProject more than 6000 trees have been planted and under care in Marange, Chigodora, Marondera West and 2 Schools in Mutare urban. Discover Zimbabwe have managed to rope-in Environmental Buddies Zimbabwe as a strategic partner in providing tree seedlings while the Green4Life Project execute the logistics on tree planting distributions through outreach community engagements. Taking advantage of the current rainy season, Green4Life Project have aggressively scored a success story in this regard.

## Detailed Project Activities and Outcomes

Project Activity and the results after completion of the activity	Measurement of success and comments
<p><b>1. Handover of trees from Environment Buddies Zimbabwe (EBZ)</b></p> <p>Green4Life Project have partnered with Environment Buddies Zimbabwe taking advantage of the rainy season to expand tree planting and tree growing in Mutare and Marondera West Districts</p>  <p><b>Fig 1.</b> Discover Zimbabwe Director being taken around the tree nursery plant at EBZ site at Chigonda Village in Mutare District</p>	 <p><b>Fig 2.</b> Discover Zimbabwe Staff members and a ZINPA Board member proudly received donation of different indigenous tree seedlings from EBZ Chigonda site</p>





**Fig 3. Tree growing at Chigonda in Marange. This method of planting tree stumps allows communities to do intercropping with crops like maize while the tree stump is establishing its roots.**



**Fig 4: Maize planting holes prepared alongside tree planted stumps**

## **2. Tree planting at Zamba Primary School.**

Green4Life Project together with ZINPA members have planted 15 trees at Zamba Primary School as a project demonstration site for both the school and the community. The trees will serve for educational purposes.



**Fig 5. Joachem Nyamande handing over trees to the School Head of Zamba Primary School, Sakubva Mutare**



**Fig 6. School Head, Mr Hondo planting Mukamba tree**



**Fig 7: Joachim Nyamande handing-over neem tree for planting to Mrs Gambe ZINPA member, OTS location of Sakubva Suburbs**



**Fig 9: DZT Director handed over a tree to Mrs Alice Mbavha, ZINPA member**



**Fig: 8: DZT Director and Sakubva School Head posing for a photo after successfully planting a tree at Zamba Primary School.**



### 3. Tree planting in Chigodora village

Tree planting community sensitization meeting was held at Chigodora under Nyamakamba of Chitakatira Area. Through this, the project encouraged the community to plant indigenous trees that promote environmental diversity as well as discouraging them from reckless cutting down of trees. The project managed to plant 40 indigenous trees in Chigodora area.



Fig 9. Community members of Chigodora Village



Fig 11. Green4Life Project promoting tree growing



Fig 10. Joachim Nyamande handing over neem trees to Mrs Chinyamunzore of Chigodora Village. This neem tree was described as of many uses ranging from curing various diseases, insecticide and as organic fertilizer.



Fig 12 and 13. Chigodora members actively Participating in tree planting while Joachim



#### 4. Tree planting in Marange

Through the Green4LifeProject, Marange community has been actively involved in the tree planting and growing venture that resulted in 120 indigenous trees being planted with project members. Such trees include but not limited to Mutohwe, Amarula, Mutiti, Munyii, Neem, Musau etc



Fig 14. Green4LifeProject team conducted an awareness campaign on tree growing where each community member was encouraged to identify and take care of at least 50 trees annually



Fig 15. Amarula tree also known as Mupfura

demonstrating how to water newly planted tree



Chairperson Heggah Ndagurwa and Moses

Dambuza planted the Amarula Tree



Fig 15. Each community member was given at least 15 trees and encouraged to take advantage of the onset rain season to plant the donated trees without delay

**5. The Green4Life Project in collaboration with Zimbabwe National Practitioners Association(ZINPA) facilitated the distribution of 100 trees to ZINPA members**

ZINPA is an Association of Traditional Medical Practitioners of Herbalist, Traditional Healers and Faith Healers and Discover Zimbabwe is an affiliate member of ZINPA.



**Fig 17.**Each of the ZINPA member holding a tree in Mutare



**Fig 16.** Tree planting in Marange



**Fig 18.** Some of the indigenous trees ready for distribution to ZINPA members by the Green4LifeProject





**Fig 19. ZINPA members at ZINPA HQ in Harare happily displaying donated trees**



**Fig 20. DZT Director handed over 10 trees to the ZINPA'S Acting President Tambudza Jaravaza at ZINPA HQ in Harare**

## **6. Tree Planting and Tree growing in Marondera where DZT Herbal garden is located.**

Discover Zimbabwe takes tree growing and tree planting to Marondera where also the the Artemisia Annua plantation is located.



**Fig 21 Shows mukamba tree planted at Plot 70 Marondera West District**





**Fig 22 shows tree growing initiative in Marondera with project members taking a lead in pruning of young trees. For this effort, 4000 plants have been identified and incorporated into the tree growing caring project**



**Fig 24. Green4Life tree growing promotion in Marondera West District. Such areas require fencing to ward-off the invasion of stray animals**

## **7. Tree planting at Sacred Heart of Jesus Primary school in Mutare**

Green4Life Project in collaboration with Environment Buddies Zimbabwe (EBZ) joins the world in commemorating the national tree planting day and managed to facilitate the distribution and planting of trees. DZT and EBZ planted 20 trees at Sacred Heart Primary School



**Fig 26. Showcasing of the kenyan croton trees that were planted early March 2020 at Sacred Heart Primary school in Mutare. The above picture shows some healthy plants properly**

**Fig 25. Mr Nimrod Dzvifu from EBZ demonstrating how trees should be planted using the hole concept of 60cm (width) x 60cm (length) x 60cm (depth)**



**Fig 27. From the left Director of DZT Joachem Nyamande, School Head of Sacred Heart School Edward Chahwanda and Nimrod Dzvifu from EBZ strategizing on how the project can forward**

maintained thereby increasing project confidence in planting more trees at the school.



**Fig 28: Tree growing at Sacred Heart is promising to be a good venture with about 300 tree plants identified. Above is a tree seedling that was identified, pruned and weeded to promote its growth.**

## **8. Most significant change story attributed to the project and sustainability efforts**





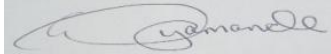
**Figs 29/30:** Director of Discover Zimbabwe Trust receiving a medal for being the best promoter of traditional medicine development from the District Development Coordinator of the Ministry of Local Government for Hurungwe District, Mashonaland West Province at recently ZINPA held AGM(11/12/20). The awards were presented in the presence of Dr Portia Manangadzira, the Director of the Epidemiology and Disease Control of the Ministry of Health and Child Care (in green dress) on behalf of Zimbabwe National Practitioners Association (ZINPA)

## 9. Conclusion

The board and management of Discover Zimbabwe will forever be grateful to Discover German and its back donors for providing the much-needed funding. May God Bless You all. With more funding being expected particularly this rainy season, Discover Zimbabwe through Green4Life Project will continue to expand tree planting and tree growing to greater heights.

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