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**KUPONA
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ANNUAL REPORT



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ABOUT KUPONA FOUNDATION

'Kupona' means 'to heal' in Kiswahili.



Kupona Foundation is a US-based nonprofit dedicated to delivering high quality healthcare to those who need it most. We focus on Tanzania, a country rich in potential but severely impacted by extreme poverty, with one of the highest population growth rates in the world.



Our partner, CCBRT (Comprehensive Community Based Rehabilitation in Tanzania), is a leading healthcare provider specializing in disability, rehabilitation, and maternal and newborn healthcare. A linchpin in the Tanzanian healthcare system, CCBRT has provided more than a quarter-century of service to the Tanzanian community and partnership with the Government of Tanzania.a

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2021 AT A GLANCE

- Served over 113,159 patients at CCBRT's hospital in Dar es Salaam
- Provided 6,144 sight restoring surgeries for people with visual impairments
- Supported 81,000 plus deliveries for expectant mothers and their newborns at CCBRT's partner sites
- Provided more than 460 women and girls obstetric fistula treatment through CCBRT's holistic program



2020 AT A GLANCE



- Served more than 96,350 patients at CCBRT's hospital in Dar es Salaam
- Supplied more the 2,240 wheelchairs and assistive devices to provide critical mobility and independence to adults and children in Tanzania
- Supported 39,000 plus deliveries for expectant mothers and their newborns at CCBRT's partner sites
- Over 18,000 patients treated at no cost
- Provided more than 490 women and girls obstetric fistula treatment through CCBRT's holistic program

LETTER FROM LEADERSHIP

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Kupona and CCBRT, thank you for your continued support through what has been an unparalleled challenging time for healthcare workers in Tanzania and worldwide. Throughout 2020 and 2021, Kupona Foundation has experienced several exciting transitions.

In 2020, we said farewell to our Executive Director, Abbey Seaboyer Kocan, after over 7 years of service. Susana Oguntoye joined our team in early 2020, bringing a strategic public health perspective which proved more needed than ever as the year progressed. Susana maintained Kupona Foundation throughout the pandemic until she departed her role as Executive Director in September 2021. We are fortunate to report that both Abbey and Susana have joined our Board of Directors, contributing a wealth of knowledge in the global health sphere.

Kupona has also recently been joined by Katie Stair of Capital CFO+, who is serving as Chief Operations Officer in an interim capacity. Katie brings to Kupona Foundation a diverse background in nonprofit administration, organization management, and program development. She works alongside the Board of Directors as we together chart a path for a stronger future for Kupona Foundation.

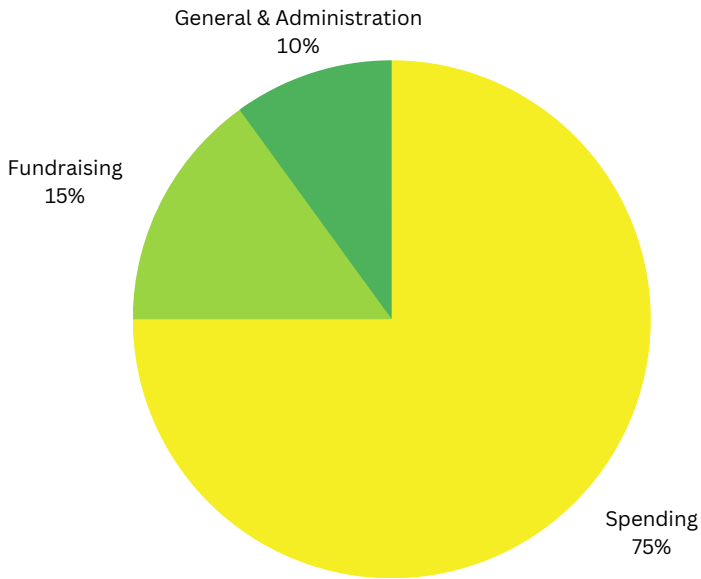
Our sister organization CCBRT continues to lead the way in providing healthcare to those who need it most in Tanzania, seeing between five and seven hundred patients every day. We invite you to continue reading for additional updates about the work they do, and which your generosity directly supports. We urge you, as our supporters, to continue your support of Kupona Foundation and CCBRT as we empower people and communities in Tanzania to realize their potential by improving their access to healthcare.

Sincerely,
Bob Scwhed
President, Board of Directors

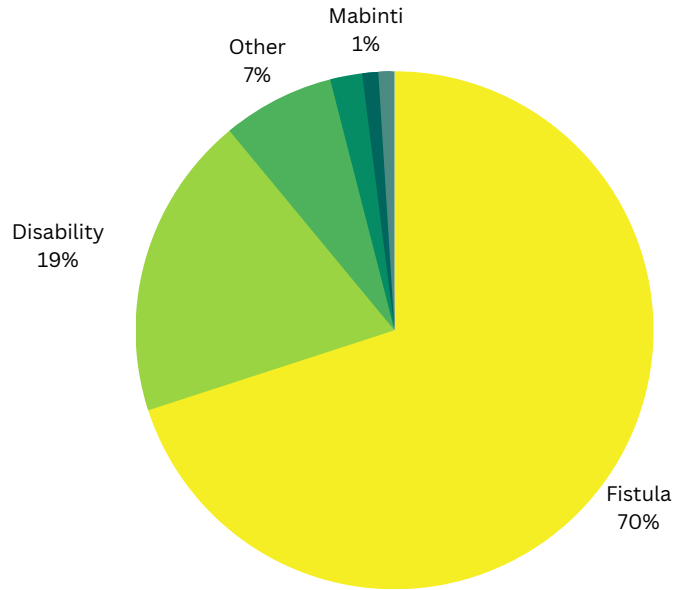


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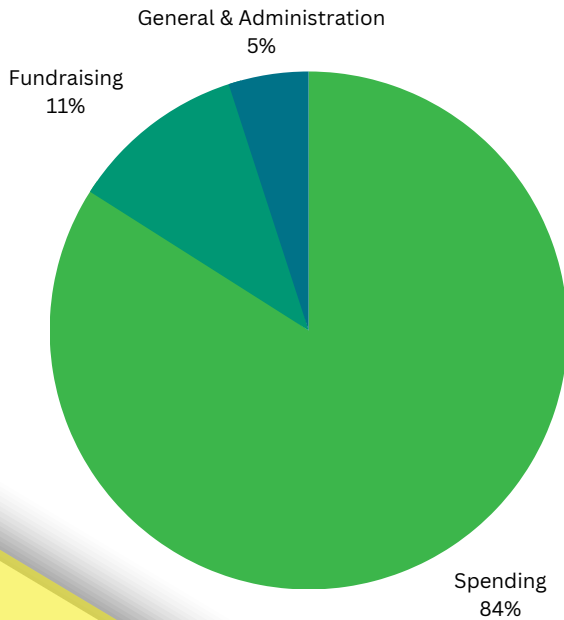
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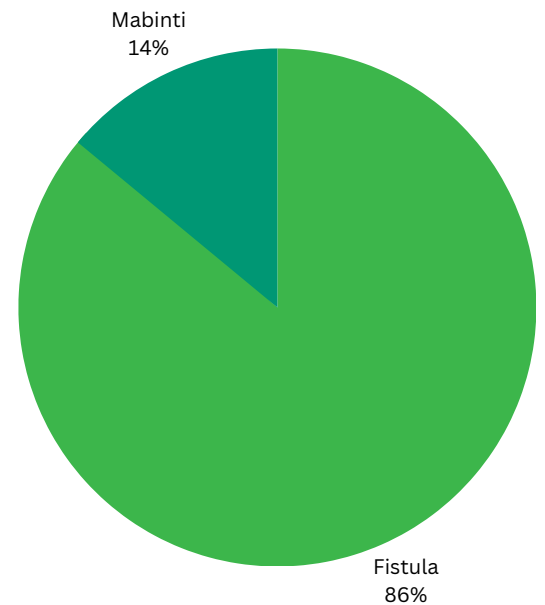
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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT FROM CCBRT

MEET MIPRI, A FISTULA SUCCESS STORY

In 2021, 457 fistula repair surgeries were performed at CCBRT, the largest provider of fistula treatment in Tanzania. Thanks to the generous support of our partners, all costs of treatment are covered—from surgery, to transportation, to accommodation and meals. While most of the women with fistula do not have a cellphone, CCBRT was able to reach 65% of eligible women six months after their surgeries, and more than 90% of those reported remaining dry, feeling more accepted by their communities, and stating the fistula repair surgery was life-changing.

One such woman is Mipri, a 62 year old woman who lives in Kagera region in northwestern Tanzania. Mipri developed fistula when she was just 17, a year after getting married.

" I was in labor pain for 3 days, and nobody took me to the hospital because my parents had organized a Traditional Birth Attendant (TBA) to assist me deliver at home. The TBA was on and off for three days to assist me deliver safely without any success," reports Mipri.

After four days of labor, Mipri was referred to her regional hospital, where her baby was stillborn. Mipri's own health required that she stay in the hospital for two months, and she was shocked upon discharge to still suffer urinary incontinence. The hospital told her the condition was untreatable, and she was abandoned by her husband and faced stigma from her relatives and surrounding community. "It was even worse when my mother told my siblings to stay away from me," says Mipri. Urine flow resulted in wounds on Mipri's legs, and she became unable to work. "With a lot of wounds on my legs, my daily routine changed. I was in so much pain because of the wounds, I could not help with farm work like how I used to do. I passed through a very difficult period and I lived in horrible poverty."

"One day the local chairman told me that he heard there is free treatment at CCBRT hospital. He gave me a fistula ambassador's mobile number so that I may inquire about the treatment. I made a call and they confirmed to me that I had fistula and made all the arrangements for me to travel to CCBRT DSM for treatment. I was hesitant, but decided to make the journey to Dar es Salaam. Today I am here cured and completely dry. I can't believe this! I lived with Fistula for 42 years. The condition that I thought would be mine permanently is gone; I thank everyone who has made this possible. I have nothing to pay you but I pray that God will bless you more for the great work you are doing."



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With investments in scale and sustainability and the opening of the new Maternity and Newborn wing, the number of people directly served at CCBRT will increase and thousands more will benefit from our efforts to strengthen the wider Tanzanian healthcare system. At optimal health, individuals and their families thrive, breaking the cycle of poverty.



Join us in transforming healthcare to unleash the potential of thousands of people in Tanzania:

- \$50 to provide the Mabinti Center with 2 days of holistic care for Mabinti trainees;
- \$100 to train two maternal healthcare workers to save lives at birth;
- \$300 to provide a sight restoring survey for a child born with cataracts;
- \$615 to equip 15 health workers with advanced training at the CCBRT Academy;
- \$1,200 to provide comprehensive surgery and treatment for a woman with obstetric fistula;
- \$5,000 to provide 5 safe c-section births for mothers and babies in need.

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