



**WORLD DIABETES DAY COMMEMORATION 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2017**



## World Diabetes Day Commemoration 2017 Report

The 2017 World Diabetes Day Commemoration was held in Kanifing Municipality and was hosted by Young Men Christian Association, The Gambia. International Diabetes Federation (IDF), Theme for this year (Women and Diabetes) with a Slogan (Our Right to Healthy Future). This year's commemoration was held in collaboration with Directorate of Health Promotion and Education Ministry of Health and Social Welfare who paid a pivotal role by providing some T-Shirts, three hundred Take-away Lunch park and a Band which was not really necessary all that was needed was a PA system as was in the case of the past. Other collaborators include Banjul Kairo Lions Club (Best Water, Emkay Stores, Kepi International, Right Choice Supermarket, Sasco Cash `N` Carry and Xpress Supermarket ) through their Chairman Mr Sunil supported with Five hundred Water Bottle, a Banner and a hundred T-Shirt.



The event was chaired by Sanjaly Trawally who in his opening address cited the grate threat diabetes is posing to the world especially the underdeveloped countries where government are finding it a great challenge to adequately provide treatment, management and care for people living with diabetes. He concluded by saying if nothing serious is done by the government of developing countries diabetes will continue to kill people living with it.

The WHO's representative was represented by Dr Samela Jah In her presentation she reiterated the points already mentioned by the chairman and pledges WHO's commitments to contribute its quarter in the fight against diabetes seriously and concluded that the best strategy to achieve success in the fight against diabetes is through Diabetes Education. Free and voluntary screening for blood sugar and high blood pressure was done.



Mr John Charles Njie, chairman, Young Men Christian Association whose mobilized the students of YMCA whose turnout at the match-past was commendable states his ambition YMCA have in the fight against diabetes and that the doors of YMCA is ever open to Gambia Diabetes Association at any time. The event continued on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November with an Aerobic Workout which was initially scheduled to take place in MDI premises but which was later transferred to YMCA premises because of electricity failure at MDI. Two activities that were intended but did not take place due to unavoidable circumstances that are:

1. Participation of the Wheel Chair Association.
2. The basketball game by the later.

In conclusion, the event was a great success and it is hope as of now that Ministry of Health and Social Welfare will continue to play its part as the main body to commemorate World Diabetes Day to be supported by Gambia Diabetes Association and other collaborators.

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

Fund available 800 Euro from Roland equivalent to 44,400 Dalasics.

### EXPENDITURE

14<sup>th</sup> November

1. Awa`s Decoration-----	D7,440
2. Scout Band-----	D2,800
3. Fare for Nurses-----	D1,000
4. Rented Chairs, three dozen-----	D150
5. Vendor, Water Mellon-----	D750
6. Vendor, Apple-----	D350
7. Camera Man-----	D1,500
8. Printing of 5 things everybody should know about diabetes-----	D2,500
9. Exercise Book and a Packet of Envelop-----	D225
10. Photo copies of GDA Receipt-----	D50
11. Printing 100 copies of A3 (5things about Diabetes and Laminating 10)-----	D850
12. PA System-----	D3,000
13. Camera Man-----	D1,500
14. Three Set of File-----	D500
15. Communication-----	D285
16. GRTS Footage-----	D1,500
TOTAL -----	D24, 400
BALANCE-----	D20,000

**NOTE-** THE BALANCE WILL BE HANDED OVER TO THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF GAMBIA DIABETES ASSOCIATION DURING AN EXECUTIVE MEETING.