

Mary Joy Is founded by Sr Zebider Zewdie, Present Executive director, in 1994 with an aim to address the health needs of the community by opening a small clinic in the Asko area.

In the course of time it has been discovered that the problem of the community was not only a health issue but fairly a combination of scores of extra socio-economic problems & hence the organization began to visualize & execute an integrated community development program, which is already on the way since 1994 having a legal status (1994GC) & operational agreement from the Ministry of Justice & DPPC respectively.

VISION

MJATD strives to see healthy, poverty free and empowered society.

MISSION

MJATD works towards empowering children, women, families and other undeserved community groups through integrated development programs which focus on capacity building and encourages genuine participation of beneficiaries to the

effect that target communities become HIV and Aids competent and their livelihood improved.

VALUES

- Commitment
- Transparency and Accountability at all levels
- Integrity and mutual respect between and among stakeholders
- Non-discriminatory
- Self reliance
- Trustworthiness

APPROACHES

- Child centered programs
- Right- based programming and execution.
- Capacity building and networking
- Holistic / integrated
- Basic service provision and advocacy
- Gender mainstreaming
- Community based
- Subsidiary & Good Governance
- Team work and competence

GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION

The main office of the organization is located in Kolfe Keraniyo sub city, particularly in an area called “Asko”.
Operational areas

ADDIS ABABA:

4 Kebeles in Kolfe-Keraniyo sub-city,
6 Kebeles in Arada & Yeka Sub-cities
2 Kebeles in Gulelle Sub-City

SNNPRS

Awassa town 14 kebeles

GOALS

1. Work towards reducing the level of poverty through promoting basic social services and improving livelihood of target communities.
2. Prevent the HIV transmission and mitigate the impact of AIDS on the target communities with special focus on infected and affected members of the community both through service delivery and advocacy work.
3. Build Institutional capacity of MJA and target communities for effective implementation the mission of the organization.

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