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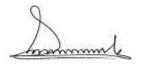
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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ANOVA Analysis of Variance

CTs Cash Transfers

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization

FBO Faith Based Organization

HSNP Hunger Safety Net Programme

PWD Persons With Disabilities

NSNP National Safety Net Program

UCT Unconditional Cash Transfers

UN United Nations

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ABSTRACT

In the quest to cushion the poorest and most vulnerable members of the society, Cash Transfer Programs have been on the rise globally and especially in the sub-Saharan Africa, Kenya inclusive. This has to an extent contributed positively to the global 2030 agenda's first goal that seeks to bring poverty and hunger to an end. Persons with disabilities have not been left out, as these programs seek to improve their livelihoods by strengthening their capacity and that of their caregivers. It is in this line that this study seeks to investigate the extent to which the Cash transfer program improves the livelihoods of persons with disabilities in Butula Sub-county, Busia County. The study was guided by theory of change for cash transfers, resource dependence theory and Maslow's hierarchy of needs theory. Research was analyzed descriptively. Structured questionnaires and interview schedules were used on a target population of 150 households, 2 local area chiefs and 3 program managers for data collection. Purposive sampling was employed to arrive at a sample size of 155 respondents. Data was collected by help of research assistants who directly administer the questionnaires. Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) was employed in the study and SPSS was used for descriptive statistics. Correlation coefficients were obtained to ascertain the strength of variables. Linear regression was used in hypothesis testing. Tables were used for data presentation on percentages, means, frequencies, linear regression and correlations. The results is hoped to be of help to relevant bodies interested in matters social protection and livelihoods of persons living with severe disabilities.

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background to the Study

Cash transfers have increased recently as a means of accelerating the decrease of poverty and achieving sustainable development goals. In addition to orphans and vulnerable children, individuals with disabilities face elevated rates of poverty due to their economic deprivation (Abdille & Mbataru, 2019). In order to enhance the welfare and standard of living of the most vulnerable members of society, an incentive like a cash transfer is intended. Omar (2019) argues that cash transfers as a social development tool are an investment in human capital that encourages marginalized populations' social and economic participation. For individuals who are in extreme need, the adoption of CTs can therefore be associated with improved livelihoods and food security.

Aiming at achieving set human development targets, many countries around the globe have adopted and are implementing cash transfer programs. A report by Food and Agriculture Organization(FAO) of the United Nations(UN) cites that the impact of cash transfers on livelihood diversification may be ambigous in the sense that while households may have income access they may in return relax and reduce their engangement in other income generating activities(Pace, et al., 2017). CTs introduced in Latin America as a mechanism for social security and poverty reduction recorded significant improvement by ensuring some income to the extremely poor families, reaching over 12 million poor families in 2010(Heimo, 2014). As long their childern are enrolled in school, Heimo (2014) avers that Bolsa parents in Latin America receive a monthly pay in line with the CT programme that aimed at having each child attend school. Poverty rates in these families evidently reduced with over 11 million houselholds being pulled out of poverty.

In Asia, the push to administer cash transfers is attributed to the recorded success in poverrty reduction in south American countries (Syukri, et al, 2011). Following a financial crisis in East Asia, Syukri et al. (2011) report that Indonesia set up the largest unconditional cash transfer(UCT) program in the world to help needy mothers keep children from dropping out of school. The enrolment rates in school increased and brought about worthwhile results. The

potential of CT programs therefore cannot be underrated. Comparably, a cash tranfer program introduced in Bangladesh targetting girls from poor families was successful following significant enrolnment rates into school (Rawlings, 2017) and in India, a CTP launched to reduce maternal and neonatal deaths increased the number of live deaths by helping women with low or no income at all to easily access health facilities(Prabhu & Sahay, 2009). A study by Gertler, Martinez and Cordina (2012) indicate that cash tranfers help households in Mexico evade poverty by allowing poor households to invest in yielding endeavors.

Cash transfer programs have been key to fighting poverty and reducing hunger in Africa. These programs mainly focus on children, the elderly, extremely poor families and persons with disabilities.A FAO report outlines that CTs in Africa shield vulnerable households and individuals from unfavorubale effects of poverty and help the build resilience(FAO & UNICEF, 2016). Harmonised Social Cash Transfer (HSCT)is an unconditional cash transfer program in Zimbabwe targeting labor-constrained and food-poor homes. The tranfer range of 10-25 USD represented at least 20% median consumption expenditure of households, and the program overally recorded sucessful performance with economic and social benefits and reduced child labour(Pace, et al., 2017). Having found out that although over 90% of rural children enrolled to primary school and 40% dropped before completion, the Morocco ministry of eduction introduced a cash transfer program to assist mothers financially and increase completion rate of rural primary school education(Omar, 2019). This program is reported to have benefitted about 300 districts and about 1 Milion students, postively building on human capital and reducing poverty. As part of the Ugandan national development agenda, cash transfers were introduced to protect vulnerable and needy families from poverty. A study by Browne(2013) revealed that the CT programs in Uganda helped families deal with forSce majeure in terms of economic and healthcare crisis.

Similar to other sub-Saharan African nations, a sizable portion of the population of Kenya lives in poverty. In response to the HIV and AIDS pandemic in 2004, the Kenyan government launched the cash transfer programme to provide social and financial help to low-income households with Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC)(Bryant, 2009). CTP has eveidently ehnanced the wellbeing of the OVCs. Previous researchers have attributed poverty reducation

and improved livelihoods to the establishment and use of cash transfers with focus on poor households regardless of physical or mental abilities.

1.1.1 Cash Transfer Programs

Cash transfer programs are regular direct payments to incapacitated households or individuals, or victims of humanitarian crisis to cushion them against poverty and its related impacts. Cash transfers may be conditional or unconditional. Unconditional CTs are given without any restrictions whereas conditional CTs are given on the basis of work done by the recipient.

The government of Kenya's main National Safety Net Programme (NSNP) for extremely low-income households, orphans and vulnerable children, elderly people not receiving pensions, and those with severe impairments is the Inua Jamii cash transfer programme. The GoK also runs the Hunger Safety Net Programme (HSNP), which serves low-income and vulnerable households in the counties of Northern Kenya.

The cash transfer programmes seeking to uplift the lives of the vulnerable and poor Kenyan citizens guarantees reliable and regular bi-monthly cash transfers. Cash Transfer for Orphans and Vulnerable Children (CT-OVC) is for households not benefiting from any social assistance but are extremely poor or have a chronically ill care giver who's not able to meet the family needs. Older Persons Cash Transfer (OPTC) is given to over 70 years old Kenyans who are not on pension and receive no form of assistance. PWSD-CT is for Kenyan citizens with severe disabilities who are not enrolled to any uplifting program.

1.1.2 Cash for Work

Cash for Work (CFW) compensates individuals for rendered skilled or unskilled labor. This is a conditional type of CT since beneficiary received payments only after work is done. CFW's objective is to not only provide income to beneficiaries but also keep them active in rebuilding or repairing vital community infrastructure (MercyCorps, 2014).

In response to 2017 drought emergency, Church World Service (CWS) engaged communities in West Pokot, Tana River and Baringo counties in implementation of Cash for Work projects. This was used as humanitarian intervention to give temporary employment in recovery projects like debris clearance, rehabilitation of link roads and other infrastructure (CWS, 2018). Target

beneficiaries are selected using a community based approach, either through door to door visits or through a public meeting participatory approach. Indicators for consideration include; individual ability to perform, level of need and vulnerability, disability, income level and age.

The state department for youth affairs has a cash for work incentive for Kenyan youth dubbed Kazi Mtaani. The program's goal was to safeguard the most vulnerable young people from the COVID-19 pandemic by offering social assistance to those whose income sources were negatively impacted by the epidemic. The unemployed youth get involved in works such us clearing of road and drainage structures then get paid for the services rendered. Youth living with disabilities are not discriminated. They get involved in supervisory roles and lighter duties.

1.1.3 Direct Cash Transfer

Direct cash transfers are unconditional payments made to beneficiaries without any requirements. The beneficiaries decide on how and when to spend the money. Bete (2013) posits that direct cash transfers are easier to implements because they are faster, efficient and effective especially in emergency situations.

1.1.4 Food Aid Distribution

This is non-cash transfer program such as food relief to households in drought prone areas. Urban food subsidy cash transfer program is meant for the vulnerable and extremely poor. The program is keen on ensuring that needy households have enough food all year round and also protect them from risks that threaten income generation. Transfers can also be done by use of vouchers which are exchanged for food. These vouchers allow beneficiaries to make purchases without necessarily using cash.

1.2 Statement of the Problem.

The Kenyan constitution advocates for the rights of every person to social security, binding the state to appropriately provide social security for persons unable to support themselves. This saw the rise of cash transfer programs which aim at improving the well-being of individuals and enhance their access to services (Mwasiaji, 2015). The government through a parliamentary act enacted the Social Assistance Act, 2013 that saw the approval of the National Social Protection Policy (NSPP) whose aim was to strengthen the social security and protection of the vulnerable

and poor citizens. This further led to the establishment of the NSNP in order to expand the cash transfer programs and operationalize the systems (NGEC, 2014). Cash transfer programs scaled in this regard include; Cash Transfer to Orphans and Vulnerable Children (CT-OVC), Older Persons Cash Transfer Programme (OP-CT) and Cash Transfer to Persons with Severe Disabilities (PWSD-CT). 2.2% (or 0.9 million) of Kenyans are estimated to be disabled. According to prevalence figures, 1.4% of Kenyans living in urban areas and 2.6% of those living in rural regions are disabled. PWD are particularly susceptible in rural regions because to the high rates of poverty there.

The National Council for Persons With Disabilities (NCPWD) records that PWSD-CT which targets 47,200 households has enabled and improved access to housing, education, healthcare and nutrition for people with disabilities (NCPWD, 2022). Several studies agree that cash transfer programs generally improve the livelihoods and well-being of poor households (Eyase, 2015; Muriithi, 2018; Nasengo, 2013). Njuguna (2018) also inferred that apart from benefiting the needy, cash transfer programs account to upto 52% positive changes in economic growth. However, Syanda (2017) argues that the amount given through CTs did not cater for the needs of persons with disabilities hence the beneficiaries didn't wholly benefit.

Butula Sub-County is a rural set up in Busia County. Most residents and households in this area have low income or none at all. The unemployment rate is high and people living with disabilities are mostly illiterates and discriminated upon. Although a selected few benefit from the governments cash transfer programme, there is no available research whatsoever on the impact of this program and especially for people living with disabilities in Butula. This study therefore sought to fill the exisiting research gaps and assess whether or not the cash transfer programme has improved the livelihood of people living with disabilities in Butula sub county, Busia County in Kenya.

1.3 Purpose of the Study

This study sought to investigate how cash transfer programs have influenced improved livelihoods of people living with disabilities.

1.4 Objectives of the Study

The following goals served as a guide for this investigation:

- i. To examine the impact of Cash for Work on enhancing the quality of life for individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county.
- ii. To investigate the effects of Direct Cash Transfers on enhancing the quality of life for individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county.
- iii. To assess the impact of Cash Transfer programs on enhancing the quality of life for individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county.

1.5 Research Questions

This research sought to answer the following research questions

- i. To what degree does Cash for Work impact the enhanced quality of life for individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county?
- ii. In what manner do Direct Cash Transfers affect the improved livelihoods of individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county?
- iii. What is the collective impact of Cash Transfer Programs on the enhanced quality of life for individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county?

1.6 Research Hypotheses

The following research hypotheses served as the study's guidelines;

- i. (H0): There is no significant association between Cash for Work and the enhanced livelihood of individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county
 - (H1): There is a significant association between Cash for Work and the improved livelihood of individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county.
- ii. (H0): There is no significant correlation between Direct Cash Transfer and the improved livelihood of individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county.

- (H1): There is a significant correlation between Direct Cash Transfer and the enhanced livelihood of individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county.
- iii. (H0): There is no significant connection between Cash Transfer Program and the improved livelihood of individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county
 - (H1): There is a significant connection between Cash Transfer Program and the enhanced livelihood of individuals with disabilities in Butula sub-county.

1.7 Significance of the Study

The significance of this study lies in its potential to contribute valuable insights into the effectiveness of Cash Transfer Programmes in enhancing the livelihoods of persons with disabilities in Butula sub-county, Busia County, Kenya. Understanding the impact of these programs on economic well-being, social integration, and overall quality of life for individuals with disabilities is crucial for informing evidence-based policies and interventions. The findings may offer guidance to policymakers, government agencies, and non-governmental organizations in designing and implementing targeted initiatives that address the specific needs of this vulnerable population. Additionally, the study's results may contribute to the broader discourse on inclusive development, providing a comprehensive understanding of how Cash Transfer Programmes can be leveraged to promote positive outcomes for persons with disabilities in a specific regional context.

1.8 Delimitation of the study

This study was specifically centered on cash transfer programs and improved livelihoods of PLWD in Butula Sub County in Busia County, Kenya. The study was delimited to cash transfers (direct and indirect) because this is the only government's intervention for PLWD in Butula Sub County. The researcher delimited the study to Butula Sub County for ease of data collection and correspondence with the research assistants, since this is in the proximity of the researcher's area of work.

1.9 Limitations of the Study

Most of the disabled people in Butula Sub County are illiterate. The researcher mitigated this challenge by making use of research assistants who took respondents through the questionnaires

to ensure understanding of the questions. The research assistants also acted as translators for respondents who do not understand English.

CHAPTER TWO

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Introduction

This chapter presents review of literature on cash transfer program and improved livelihood of people living with disabilities. The Conceptual Framework is also illustrated in this chapter.

2.2 Improved Livelihood of People Living with Disabilities

In order to better understand how the cash transfer programme affects the socioeconomic standing of its recipients in Kenya, a study was carried out by Syanda (2017) on the subject of disabled people residing in Kitui County's central sub-county. The study looked at how family relationships affect the use of cash transfer programmes, how improving these programmes affects the social and economic status of the disabled, and what steps should be taken to improve the cash transfers. The study showed that the cash transfer programme was successful in improving the quality of life for those with impairments. The study also realized that the well-being of PWDs was enhanced by their interaction with caregivers who are members of the family. However, the study revealed that the amount given through CT's given to the beneficiaries was not enough hence PWDs did not wholly get the benefits. The study recommended revision and increment of the amount.

A study by Abdille and Mbataru (2019) examined the impact of cash transfers on PWSDs' financial security in Wajir County. Malsow's theory of needs, the rights-based approach, and the framework for sustainable livelihoods served as the study's foundation. The study discovered that cash transfers had a favourable and considerable impact on the financial security of people with severe impairments. It was observed that cash transfers supported healthcare access, household income, and investement in productive untertakings. The study recommended incentives for the CTs to encourage beneficiaries to be self-reliant and not just dependent on the government's

support. The study also proposed that the monthly disbursements should be increased to enable the beneficiries venture into othe income genrating activities.

In Kwanza Constituency, Trans-Nzoia County, Kenya, Mukasa (2019) investigated institutional variables impacting the effectiveness of cash transfer initiatives on individuals with severe impairments. The particular goals were to ascertain the impact of staffing capability, office transportation, and technologies on the effectiveness of cash transfer programmes for individuals with disabilities in Kwanza Subcounty. Descriptive survey research design was used. 276 persons with severe disabilities registered in the subcounty CTP were targeted. The study observed that the performance of cash transfer programs was affected by mobility of cash transfer staff and availability of banking agents. The study recommended that government offices should be strategically placed to facilitate staff mobility. The study further suggested that service delivery should be well planned to ensure that persons with disabilities benefit fully from the cash transfer program.

2.3 Cash for Work and Improved Livelihoods of People Living with Disabilities

Njuguna (2018) examined how Kenya's economic development was affected by government social cash transfers. Kenya's government, which includes OVC-CT, was the independent variable, and inflation controlled economic expansion was the variable that was dependent. Secondary data from pertinent ministries was used, and statistical and inferential analysis was performed. The analysis discovered a significant positive relationship between economic development and government social cash. The study suggested implementing government regulations to guarantee the expansion of CTs for the underprivileged.

2.4 Direct Cash Transfers and Improved Livelihoods of People Living with Disabilities

In order to better understand how direct cash transfer programmes might help impoverished urban women in Nairobi achieve sustainable development goals, Migwi (2017) performed a research. The study concentrated on the contribution that CTP makes to improving gender equality and reducing poverty. The study used a case study research design. The study included both primary and secondary data. A target population consisting of experts from development programs and cash transfer beneficiaries was sampled and 2000 respondents were arrived at. Focus group discussions were conducted and in depth interviews carried out to aid in primary

data collection. Secondary data was gathered through reports from the Kenyan Social Protection Office and other relevant organisations. Both content and narrative analysis were used to examine the collected data. According to the study, direct monetary transfers helped the recipients' quality of life. The study also established that direct cash transfers promoted the beneficiaries' participation in activities leading to income generation. It was reported that the women under study were able to meet their daily needs and make some savings, thanks to the direct cash transfers. The women were also able to invest in profitable movements. Despite the positive impact realized by the implementation of direct cash transfers however, the researcher remarked that the timeframe of coverage was so limited that it was impossible to measure whether the outcomes were sustainable. The study recommended extension of the credit period and revision of amounts, owing to the increased cost of living in the recent times. The study also recommended that there should be coverage of the transfer program in order to inform on the progress and possible improvements. The research was limited to women living in the Mukuru Slams of Nairobi, while this study will be limited to Butula Sub County.

2.6 Cash Transfer Programs and Improved Livelihoods of People Living with Disabilities

In Nasengo's (2013) study, the effectiveness of cash transfer programs for Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) was examined through various objectives, including evaluating the impact of the identification process, management, and guardians' education on program effectiveness. A systematic sampling method was used for 150 households, employing purposive sampling for guardians. The study, analyzed using SPSS, revealed that many vulnerable individuals suffered unknowingly due to a lack of awareness about the cash transfer program. The conclusion emphasized improper OVC identification, recommending public awareness campaigns and local administration involvement in the identification process. The study further indicated that the few who were able to benefit from the cash tranfer program recorded improved livilihoods as they were able to meet their basic needs of food, shelter and clothing. Futher areas of study recommended by the researcher were on the impact of CTP on the education of OVCs and how CTP influences poverty reduction. While the researcher focused on orphans and vulnerable children, there was no covereges on peeople living with disabilties. This study therefore sought to see if the same results will be obtained for people living with disabilities. A MercyCorps (2014) guide indicates that before the implementation of any cash tranfer program, the community members and officials should be informed of the programs purpose and the generally methodology that will be adopted. As such, the community will be aware of the timeframes of the program and be educated on exiting policies to warn them against possible fradulent moves.

A study by Asfaw and Davis (2018) examined the impact of cash transfer programs (CTPs) on resilience in selected African countries, including South Africa. The research provided an overview of South African cash transfer programs, presented a conceptual framework linking cash transfers, resilience, and economic impacts, and outlined the impact evaluation design and data collection methods. The study reported that social cash transfers, workfare, and public works programs provided temporary employment and contributed to public goods creation. Quantitative analysis across Kenya, Malawi, Zambia, and Lesotho, using experimental and quasi-experimental designs, found that CTPs significantly improved risk management, increased adaptive capacity, and enhanced food security. The study emphasized the positive effects of cash transfers on livelihoods, similar to the indicators employed in this research, which is specifically focused on persons living with disabilities.

2. 7 Theoretical Framework

Maslow's Theory of Needs, Resource Dependency Theory, and Theory of Change served as the three main theories.

2.7.1 Theory of Change for cash transfers

This theory of change relates the inputs of a programme to a set of impacts representing the intended programme objectives. Bastagli (2009) summarizes this theory for imposed conditions on cash transfers. Conditionality is imposed in order to enhance outcomes on human capital and improve behavior through promoting resilience. The theories of change revolve around conditions, growth, social justice, education, state-society relations, health and nutrition.

The theory of change (ToC) unveils the mechanisms and outlines the pathways by which poverty reduction and improved livelihood happens due to cash transfers (Browne, 2013). This theory helps understand the impact of cash transfer programs on development. The poor and vulnerable people are likely to make short-term coping decisions which may undermine the long-term goals of CTs.By facilitating access to credit, security and household decision making, CTs influence

and mediate growth by lifting unecessary restriction on houshold productive capacity (Barrientos , 2012).

Social justice and social inclusion are promoted by use of cash transfer programs which ensure engagement with instituions and adoption of acceptable laws and norms. The thory of social justice states that different stakeholders from government to development partners may have different interest and ideas on poverty and social transformation, hence the need to find common ground for transformative outcomes of CTs (Jones & Shahrokh, 2013). Health conditional transfers leads to proper utilisation of preventive health services. This increase in utilization of healthcare services results in improved health status for all the beneficiaries, which is positive change. Generally, CTPs increases development by raising the living standards of people.

This theory is releveant to this study in the sense that people living with disabilities are incapacitated in a way hence their inclusion in CTs will not only improve their economic status, but also enables them to belong to the society.

2.7.2 Resource Dependence Theory (RDT)

The RDT was founded by Salancik and Pfeiffer in 1978. It is anchored on the premise that every functioning program revolves around resources. According to Salancik and Pfeiffer (1978) resource availability and capacity of an organization, program or task defines its success. For a program like the cash transfer to be sustainable, relevant resources have to be in place. The most critical resource for the CTs is finance (cash), without which the programs will be irrelevant. Human resource and capital is also vital to the success of CTPs, from technical know-how to dedication and passion for service.

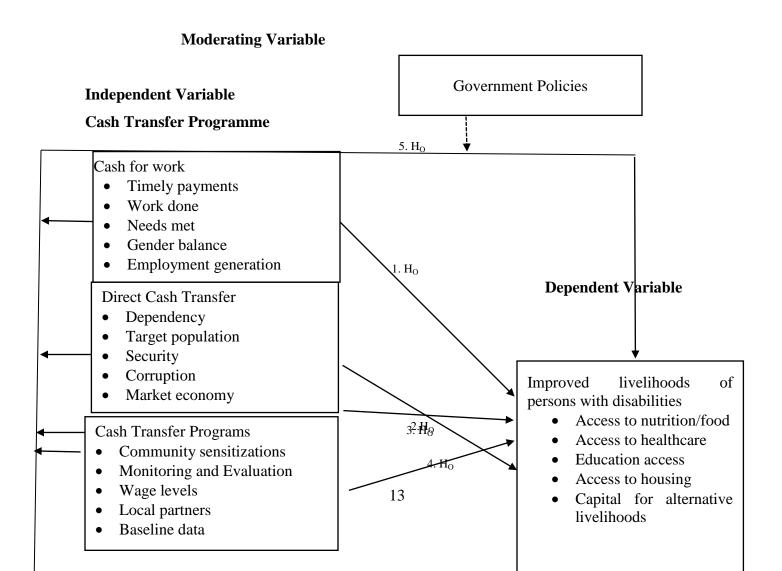
2.7.3Maslow's Theory of Needs

Abraham Maslow in 1943 introduced the concept of human motivation to suggest that individuals are driven by the desire to meet their basic needs before fulfilling any other need. The basic needs to be met range from physiological, social needs, esteem needs, security and safety, and self-actualization needs (Lester, et al., 1983).

An investigation of Maslow's theory was conducted by Noltemeyer et al. (2021) who seperated Maslow's needs into deficiency and growth needs. According to the researchers, deficiency needs are stimulated by deprivation. To evade unpleasant emotions or consequences these needs low-level needs must be satisfied. Physiological (food and water), security (financial and health wellness) and social needs(family, relationships) are basic to survival of all humanity.

People living with disabilities are already disadvantaged economically. Abdille and Mbataru (2019) allude that cash tranfer programs enable households of PWSDs meet their fundamental needs. Although the Cash tranfers may not guarantee satisfaction of the PWSDs, they to a large extent improve their well being by enabling access to basic needs like food and clothing. The relevance of Maslow's theory to this study cannot be underlooked because by virtue of being human, PWSD desire to have order and control in their lives and the CTs motivate their sense of belonging, financial, security and safety needs.

2. 8 Conceptual Framework



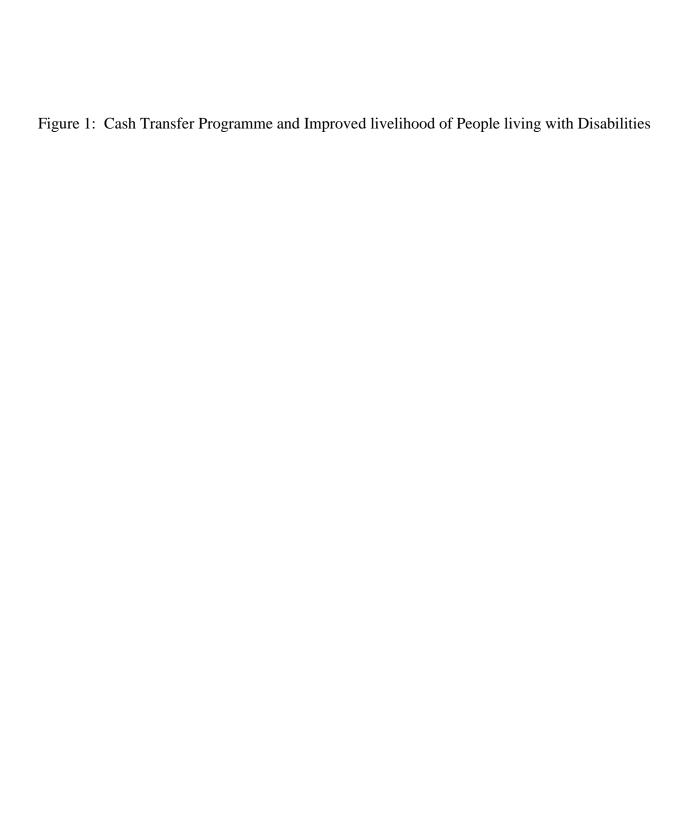


Table 2.1: Knowledge Gap

Year and Author	Title of the Study	Methodology	Findings	Knowledge Gap
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(Bryant, 2009)	Kenya's Cash Transfer Properties of Orphans Vulnerable Children		Taking care of the disadvantaged members society is a shared duty.	
(Mukasa, 2019)	Institutional factors influ the effectiveness of Transfer Programs individuals with disabilities:	cash for Stratified and Purpos severe Questionnaires Interviews	Staff mobility influence performance of cash trans ive Sampling	
(Syanda, 2017)	*	ransfer Descriptive surve Socio-design ents in	y research Individuals did not benefit from the transfers	t wholly Study conducted in Kitui

Questionnaire interview guide

Year and Author	Title of the Study	Methodology	Findings	Knowledge Gap
(Pescarini, et al., 2020)	Conditional Cash Program and Leprosy In Analysis of 12.9 Families From the 100 Brazilian Cohort	Million Sampling	Social policies contribu Leprosy control	te to Focus on leprosy only, study conducted in Brazil
(Odera, Mavole, & Muhingi, 2020)	Accessibility of InuaJan	atungulu Exploratory design	Digital cash transfer pa positively influenced InuaJamii cash transfer prog	the Machakos
(Nasengo, 2013)	Program in Enhancing t	ılnerable Purposive sampling	Cash transfer programs implivelihoods of OVCs	proved Focused on OVCs and not persons with disabilties

2.9 Summary of the Literature Review

Cash Transfer programs have been linked with positive economic impacts on beneficiary households. Apart from providing income to vulnerable households, some cash transfer programs also offer employment (Zintl & Loewe, 2022). This study agrees with this finding, most respondents agree however 14% are engaged in other income generating activities. Cash transfer beneficiaries come from poor families and the little amount is shared with other family members. Kabare, (2015) suggests that there is remarkable promise on addressing poverty and vulnerbility through social protection programmes. This study findings totally agree with Kabare (2015) findings that there is improved livelihood hence adressing poverty. According to Mwasiaji (2015), cash transfer programs improves the well-being of benefiting households and also increases the access of households to services. A report on partcipation of the most vulnerable populations in CTs experience relational benefits not limited to health, nutrition and education (NGEC, 2014). The report indicates that social and economic benefits were realized by nearly all the beneficiaries. There's improved food security, retention of children in school, sense of dignity and improved ability to meet basic needs. These deductions agree with the finding of (Bryant, 2009; Muriithi, 2018; Odera, Mavole and Muhingi, 2020) who support that CTs positively influence the livelihoods of beneficiarries. However this study did not agree fully on education. Most respondence have not attended secondary education siting poverty. Syanda (2017) however intimates that the amount given to beneficiaries is not enough to support the

vulnerable and meet all their basic needs. This study found out that there was improved livelihood however the amount was not enough to pay for the education and Shelter. Other Basic needs like food and medication(General health centre visit) was catered by cash transfer to a large extent. This study findings totally agree with the findings of Abdille and Mbataru(2019) on that cash transfer programs have positive and significant effect on econonomic wellbeing of person living with disabilities (PWDs).

This project findings is in agreemement with other research to the extent that there is a positive influence of cash transfer programs therefore improved livelihoods.

This study suggests that beneficiaries of cash transfer for people living with disabilies be given health insuarance cover so as they can get specialised medication given there unique challenges which require frequent medical attentio and the stipened be used to provide other basic needs. Secondly government and other well wishers to give priority to students living with disabilities when giving scholarship. Most respondents sited poverty for not pursuing post primary education. Thirdly, Caregivers be given training on other sources of income, this will reduce dependancy by other family members on the cash transfer.

CHAPTER THREE

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1 Introduction

Research methodology, as per Creswell (2013), involves outlining the tools, procedures, and approaches employed in a study. The techniques used for data collecting and analysis are covered in this chapter.

3.2 Research Design

This study utilized a combination of descriptive survey research design and correlations research design. The choice of descriptive survey research was suitable due to its quantitative and qualitative nature, aligning with the comprehensive understanding sought in this study. Descriptive survey design was preferred for its emphasis on capturing the characteristics of the entire population. According to Creswell (2013), descriptive statistics are appropriate for well-designed problems where the researcher can engage respondents effectively.

3.3 Target Population

This study's target population was comprised of households of people living with disabilities; cash transfer program facilitators and local administration. Busia County is one of the beneficiaries of the government's roll out cash transfer program. According to the state department of social protection in Busia County, there's a total No. of 150 CTP beneficiary households. This study therefore targets 150 households with PWSD. 3 transfer managers from the social office and 2 local area chiefs will also be interviewed.

Table 3.1: Target Population

No.	Category	Target Population
1.	Cash transfer beneficiaries;	150
	People living with disabilities in Butula	
	sub county	
2.	Local area Chiefs	2
3.	Cash Transfer program managers	3
Total target	population	155

Source: Author, 2022

3.4 Sample Size and Sampling Procedure

To guarantee a reliable and representative method of gathering data, the study's sample size and procedure were carefully chosen.

3.4.1 Sample Size

The population the researcher plans to analyse is known as the sample size. In order to choose the appropriate number of respondents for the inquiry, purposeful sampling will be utilized in this investigation. The Butula sub-county's recipient families were all best suited, in the researcher's opinion, to assist in gathering qualitative data that led to more accurate statistics.

3.4.2 Sampling Procedure

Sampling by stratification was used. Additionally, basic random sampling was used to ensure that every family had an equal chance.

Table 3.2: Sampling Procedure

No.	Category	Target Population	Proposed Sample size
1.	Cash transfer	150	150
	beneficiaries;		
	PLWD in Butula sub		
	county		
2.	Local area Chiefs	2	2
3.	Cash Transfer	3	3
	program managers		
Total	target population	155	155

Source: Author, 2023

3.5 Research Instruments

The study's main methods for gathering data were interview schedules and structured questionnaires. There were closed-ended statements and open-ended questions available. For quantitative data, the closed-ended questions were given in a Likert format. Each part of the questionnaire concludes with an appendix including the open-ended questions. The purpose of the interview questions was to find out what the respondent thought about cash transfer programmes and bettering the lives of those with disabilities.

3.5.1 Pilot testing of Research Instruments

According to Mugenda and Mugenda (2003), the pilot research was conducted on 10% of the population in Butula Sub County. The primary study made use of this population. The purpose of the initial investigation was to find any mistakes or discrepancies in the research tool. The pilot research made it possible to test the instruments' face validity and content.

3.5.2 Validity of the research instrument

The capacity of an instrument to measure the constructs for which it is intended is known as validity. In the study, construct and content validity will be used. How well the instruments being used test the theory being tested is known as construct validity.

Content validity of the questionnaires against the conceptual framework was checked by help of the project supervisor and researcher.

3.5.3 Reliability of Research Instruments

The reliability of the instruments was conducted using the recorded pilot and at the same time of the day to ensure consistency. The data was operationalized and scores determined. Cronbach's Alpha Test was used to check the reliability of the instruments. A value of above 0.7 was acceptable.

3.6 Data Collection Procedures

Approval from the University of Nairobi and a license from NACOSTI was sought before carrying on with the study. Permission was also sought from relevant county social office, using the approvals. Research assistants' who aided in data collection were trained prior to the exercise. For literate respondents, questionnaires were delivered to them and they were given at least one week to respond before the research assistants can collect them. The research assistants worked one on one with respondents who needed translation or help in reading. These was picked immediately since the assistants had all the responses.

3.7 Data Analysis Techniques

Software called SPSS (Statistical Package for Social Sciences) was used to analyse the data that had been gathered. Regression analysis was also performed to establish the degree to which the dependent variable was determined by the various independent factors.

3.8 Ethical considerations

Firstly, an introduction letter from the University of Nairobi was requested before submitting an application for a research license from NACOSTI. To continue, approval from the local chiefs and labor office was also required. With the assistance of research assistants, the researcher was able to fully explain the study to the participants and allay

any questions they had. Confidentiality was also guaranteed to the responders. The data that was gathered was exclusively utilized for study. The researcher has complied with the University of Nairobi's plagiarism policy and acknowledges and values the works and ideas that they have stolen from other academics.

CHAPTER FOUR

DATA ANALYSIS, INTERPRETATION AND PRESENTATION

4.1 Introduction

The research findings derived from the examination of the primary data are presented in this chapter. Tables and figures are used to present the results. Furthermore, pertinent interpretations and explanations are provided beneath every statistics display.

4.2 Questionnaire Return Rate

Instrument return rate, according to Saleh and Bista (2017), is the percentage of research instruments that were fully filled out and returned to the researcher after being given to the respondents.

Table 4.1 Response Rate

Category	Frequency	Percentage	
Returned	143	92.3	
Not returned	12	7.7	
Total	155	100	

The survey's return rate results show that 143 out of the 155 that were distributed to respondents were completed in full and sent back to the researcher, resulting in a 92.3% success rate. According to Sammut, Griscti, and Norman (2021), return rates of more than 50% are appropriate for analysis and publication, and return rates of more than 60%

are exceptional. Based on these claims, the response rate was above 60%, making the study very successful.

4.3 Demographic Characteristics of the Respondents

The study targeted residents of Butula county living with disabilities

4.4.1 Respondents Gender

In order to determine if the study was gender-inclusive, the researcher attempted to figure out the respondents' gender. The findings were displayed in table 4.2.

Gender	Frequency	Percentage (%)
Female	67	47
Male	76	53
Total	143	100.0

According to table 4.2, 47% of those surveyed were female and 53% of respondents were male. But since there isn't much of a difference between the male and female respondents, the study was sensitive to gender, which should have resulted in replies that were balanced.

4.4.2 Respondents Age

In Butula, individuals with disabilities were asked to identify the age groups to which they matched.

Table 4.1: Respondents Age

Age brackets	Frequency	Frequency Percentage	
Below 30	years 59	41.3	
31 to 40 ye	ears 53	36.8	
41 to 50ye	ears 21	14.8	
Above 50y	years 10	7.1	
Total	143	100.0	

N=143

Table 4.3 shows that majority of the respondents were below 30 years of age (41.3%). Then 31 to 40 years' age bracket (36.8%) followed. Respondents between 41 to 50 years' age bracket accounted for 14.8% while the least number of respondents (7.1%) were above 50 years of age. From this table it is evident that most of the respondents were in their prime ages.

4.4.3 Distribution of the Respondents by levels of education

In order to assess the participants' qualifications, the researcher tried to ascertain their educational backgrounds.

Table 4.4: Respondents' academic qualification

Category	Frequency	Percent
No education	42	29.3

Primary Certificate	80	56.1
Secondary	21	14.6
Total	143	100

Table 4.4 shows that the majority of the respondents (56.1%) had a primary certificate followed by those who had no education at all (29.7%). Respondents with secondary qualifications came in third with 14.2%. This shows that the respondents were somewhat educated, but had not managed to go beyond secondary school.

4.4.4 Distribution of the respondents by the nature of disability

When questioned about the type of disability they had, the respondents provided information which was analyzed.

Table 4.5: Respondents' nature of disability

				Cumulative
	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Percent
Physical	70	49.0	49.0	49.0
Epileptic	9	6.5	6.5	55.5
Deaf	7	5.2	5.2	60.6
Blind	5	3.2	3.2	63.9
Stroke	14	9.7	9.7	73.5
Mental	16	11.0	11.0	84.5
Paralyzed	10	7.1	7.1	91.6
Visual	10	7.1	7.1	98.7
Handicap	2	1.3	1.3	100.0
Total	143	100.0	100.0	

From the table majority of respondents (49.0%) reported having physical disability, while 11.0% reported having mental health problems. 9.7% had suffered a stroke, and 7.1% had been rendered paralyzed and suffered from vision issues. Only 1.3% of the respondents

indicated that they were handicap with those being deaf and blind accounting for 5.2% in each case.

4.4.5 Distribution of the respondents by employment

The goal of the study was to determine whether or not the respondents were working for pay. The results were given, and table 4.6 illustrates them.

Table 4.6: Distribution of the respondents by employment

Category	Frequency	Percent
Employed	123	86
Not employed	20	14
Total	143	100

The data shown in table 4.6 indicates that 86% of the respondents did not hold a paid job. Merely 14% of the participants reported engaging in gainful activity, with farming and business being the primary sources of income.

4.5 Improved livelihoods of people living with disabilities

This study sought to assess improved livelihoods of PLWD in Butula sub county, Busia County, Kenya.

4.5.1 Descriptive Statistics for improved livelihoods of people living with disabilities.

The respondents' opinions were gathered using a five-point rating system. The respondents were shown fifteen notions as markers of better lifestyles. The comments ranged from strongly agree (5) to strongly disagree (1). As indicated in Table 4.7, this data was further examined using

Table 4.7: Descriptive statistics

Statements	SD	D	N	A	SA	MEAN	SD
Cash Transfer Program has created	0.0%	0.0%	75.5%	24.5%	0.0%	3.2452	.43158
access to nutrition							
Daily food needs are fully met by the	0.0%	75.5%	0.0%	24.5%	0.0%	2.4903	.86315
received amount							
The CT amount is enough for a balanced	0.0%	50.3%	25.2%	24.5%	0.0%	2.7419	.82838
healthy diet							
PWSD are able to visit health centers due	0.0%	25.2%	0.0%	74.8%	0.0%	3.4968	.87069
to cash availability							
CT amount enough to take care of	0.0%	75.5%	0.0%	0.0%	24.5%	2.7355	1.29473
medical bills when they arise							
Healthcare services are generally	0.0%	50.3%	49.7%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4968	.50161
affordable							
PWSD have access to education	25.2%	74.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7484	.43535
PWSD can pay for their vocational	0.0%	74.8%	0.0%	25.2%	0.0%	2.5032	.87069
training							
Households are able to educate their	0.0%	74.8%	25.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2516	.43535
children from the received cash							
Housing is more affordable thanks to	0.0%	74.8%	25.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2516	.43535
CTP							
Permanent house structures have been	24.5%	50.3%	25.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.0065	.70708
built through the incentive							
Shelter needs have been taken care of by	0.0%	74.8%	25.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2516	.43535
CTP							
The amount received Is adequate to	0.0%	49.7%	25.2%	25.2%	0.0%	2.7548	.83232

invest

Income	generating	activity	started	is	0.0%	49.7%	50.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5032	.50161
sustaina	ble.										
There is	market of go	ods or se	rvices		0.0%	25.2%	74.8%	0.0%	0.0%	2.7484	.43535

Percentage frequencies, means, and standard deviations.

N=143

From Table 4.7 PWSD are able to visit health centers due to cash availability as established by 74.8% of the respondents. Of the respondents, 24.5% more said they could afford to pay for their vocational training. Most responders (75.5%) indicated that the quantity received did not entirely meet their daily dietary needs. 74.8% of respondents disagreed that CTP had met their needs for shelter. 50% of respondents strongly disagreed that the amount of CT is sufficient for a diet that is balanced and healthful. 75.5% of the respondents were not sure if cash transfer program has created access to nutrition. Findings have also shown that a majority 78% of the respondents disagreed that PWSD have access to education with another 78% disagreeing that households are able to educate their children from the received cash.

4.6 Influence of Cash for Work on improved livelihoods of persons living with disabilities in Butula sub county, Busia County, Kenya.

This study sought to assess the influence of cash for work on improved livelihoods of persons living with disabilities in Butula Sub County.

4.6.1 Descriptive Statistics for cash for work

The respondents' opinions were gathered using a five-point rating system. The respondents were shown fifteen notions as markers of better lifestyles. Their responses

ranged from strongly agree (5) to strongly disagree (1) on the Likert scale. As indicated in Table 4.8, this data was further examined using percentage frequencies, means, and standard deviations.

Table 4.8: Descriptive statistics

Statements	SD	D	N	A	SA	MEAN	SD
CT payments are received on time	0.0%	0.0%	25.2%	49.7%	25.2%	4.0000	.71168
The payments are made consistently	0.0%	0.0%	25.2%	49.7%	25.2%	4.0000	.71168
Payments are made directly to the	0.0%	0.0%	25.2%	49.7%	25.2%	4.0000	.71168
beneficiaries							
Payments are made only for completed	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	4.0000	.00000
tasks							
There's equal pay for equal work	0.0%	0.0%	24.5%	75.5%	0.0%	3.7548	.43158
PWSD easily get access to work	0.0%	0.0%	25.2%	74.8%	0.0%	3.7484	.43535
Payment amount enough to meet all the	25.2%	25.2%	25.2%	24.5%	0.0%	2.4903	1.11872
basic household needs							
Meeting individual needs was difficult	0.0%	49.7%	25.2%	25.2%	0.0%	2.7548	.83232
before CTP							
Not all special needs are met by the cash	0.0%	24.5%	25.2%	50.3%	0.0%	3.2581	.82838
transfer program							
Both genders have equal chances of	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	4.0000	.00000
benefiting from cash transfers							
Equal amounts are given to either gender	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	4.0000	.00000
Cash transfers program has opened	0.0%	24.5%	25.2%	50.3%	0.0%	3.2581	.82838
employment avenues							
Employment resulting from CTs are long	0.0%	24.5%	25.2%	50.3%	0.0%	3.2581	.82838
term							

N=143

From the table, majority of respondents (49.7%) agreed and another 25.2% strongly agreed that CT payments are received on schedule. Additional evidence that the

payments are paid regularly came from respondents who agreed—49.7% agreed and 25.2% strongly agreed—that the payments are made consistently. 75.5% of respondents agreed that there is equal remuneration for equal effort, and 100% of respondents agreed that payments are only provided for tasks accomplished. 74.8% of the respondents agreed that PWSD easily get access to work and majority of them, nearly half disagreed that the payment amount was enough to meet all the basic household needs. Another 49.7% of the respondents disagreed that meeting individual needs was difficult before CTP with another 50.3% of the respondents being neutral that not all special needs are met by the cash transfer program. 100% of the respondents agreed that both genders have equal chances of benefiting from cash transfers with another 100% of the respondents agreeing that equal amounts are given to either gender. 50.3% of the respondents agreed that cash transfers program has opened employment avenues and that employment resulting from CTs are long term.

4.6.2 Correlation for cash for work

Improvement of livelihoods was the dependent variable, while cash for labor scores were the primary variable used to calculate this association. Table 4.9 indicated the analysis.

Table 4.9 Correlation for Cash for work

		Improved livelihoods
Cash for work	Pearson Correlation	.799**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	143

^{**}Correlation is significant at 0.01 level (2 tailed) r = 0.799, N = 143, P<.01

Table 4.10 Model Summary

			Adjusted	R Std.	Error	of	the
Model	l R	R Square	Square	Estim	ate		
1	.799 ^a	.576	.563	.61169)		

Predictors: (Constant), Cash for work,

Dependent variable: Improved livelihoods

As indicated by Table 4.10, the results demonstrated a high positive connection (r=.799 n=143 p<.01) between the effect of payment for labor and the improvement of lives in Butula.

4.6.3 Regression Analysis for cash for work

To gauge the impact of cash for work on enhancing livelihoods in Butula, the research employed regression analysis, specifically utilizing the coefficient of determination (R2).

Table 4.11 indicates a clear correlation between community participation and project sustainability, with an R value of 0.799 or 79.9%. This signifies a significant influence of cash for work on the improvement of livelihoods in Butula sub-county. The coefficient of determination (R2) is 0.576, reflecting a 57.6% variation in enhanced livelihoods attributable to cash for work.

Table 4.11: ANOVA Cash for work and Improved livelihoods

Model		Sum of Squares	Df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	63.472	1	63.472	169.637	.000 ^b
	Residual	52.757	141	.374		
	Total	116.229	142			

a. Dependent Variable: Improved livelihoods

Table 4.11 clearly demonstrates that cash for work serves as a substantial predictor of enhanced livelihoods in Butula Sub County. The P value, falling below the standard

b. Predictors: (Constant), Cash for work

Alpha value of 0.05, indicates the predictive significance of cash for work in improving livelihoods.

Table 4.12 Coefficients of Regression equation

			Unstandard	ized Coefficients	Standardize d Coefficients	_	
Mod	lel		В	Std. Error	Beta	T	Sig.
1	(Constant)	_	1.243	.197	-	9.130	.005
	Cash for work	X_1	.295	.090	.281	11.613	.010

a. Dependent Variable: Improved livelihoods

From Table 4.12, the model equation that was fit was

Improved livelihoods = 1.243 + 0.281 cash for work + ε

The equation indicates that for every individual unit increase in cash for work, there would be a resulting 28.1% increase in improved livelihoods.

4.7 Influence of direct cash transfers on improved livelihoods of persons living with disabilities in Butula sub county, Busia County, Kenya.

The study sought to establish the influence of Direct Cash Transfers on improved livelihoods of persons living with disabilities in Butula Sub County.

4.7.1 Descriptive Statistics for direct cash transfers

The respondents' opinions were gathered using a five-point rating system. The respondents were shown fifteen notions as markers of better lifestyles. Their responses ranged from strongly agree (5) to strongly disagree (1). As indicated in Table 4.13, this data was further examined using percentage frequencies, means, and standard deviations.

Table 4.13: Descriptive statistics

Statements	SD	D	N	A	SA	MEAN	SD
PWSD depend only on CTPs as the main	0.0%	25.2%	0.0%	74.8%	0.0%	3.4968	.87069
income source							
PWSD have other sources of income	0.0%	75.5%	0.0%	0.0%	24.5%	2.7355	1.29473
Cash Transfer program targets the most	0.0%	50.3%	49.7%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4968	.50161
vulnerable people							
Only households in dire need benefit	25.2%	74.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7484	.43535
from the program							
Recipients of Cash transfers are at risk of	0.0%	74.8%	0.0%	25.2%	0.0%	2.5032	.87069
being attacked or extorted							
Farmers are taken to educational tours	0.0%	74.8%	25.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2516	.43535
Program managers are accountable	0.0%	74.8%	25.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2516	.43535
Cash maybe diverted by officers in	24.5%	50.3%	25.2%	0.0%	0.0%	2.0065	.70708
charge							
Market prices vary depending on cash	25.2%	25.2%	49.7%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2452	.83232
availability							
CTs take care of inflation	25.2%	25.2%	49.7%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2452	.83232

N=143

From Table 4.13, it was observed that PWSD depend only on CTPs as the main income source as indicated by 74.8% of the respondents. It was also evident that PWSD did not have other sources of income as established 75.5% of the respondents. Another 50.3% of

the respondents disagreed that cash transfer program targets the most vulnerable people with another 74.8% of the respondents disagreeing that only households in dire need benefit from the program. 74.8% of the respondents disagreed that recipients of cash transfers are at risk of being attacked or extorted, farmers are taken to educational tours and program managers are accountable respectively. 50.3% and 24.5 percent of participants disagreed and strongly disagreed that officers in authority may divert funds, while an additional 25.2% disagreed and strongly disagreed that CTs handle inflation.

4.6.2 Correlation for direct cash transfer

This analysis utilized Pearson Moment Correlation Coefficient, with direct cash transfer scores as the primary variable and improvement of livelihoods as the dependent variable. The findings are presented in Table 4.14.

Table 4.14: Correlation for direct cash transfer

		Improved livelihoods
Direct cash transfer	Pearson Correlation	.874**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	143

^{**}Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed). r = 0.874, N = 143, P < .01

From Table 4.14, there is a strong positive correlation between direct cash transfer and improved livelihoods (r=.874, n=143, P=<.01).

4.7.3 Regression Analysis for direct cash transfer

To assess the degree of impact of direct cash transfers on improved livelihoods, the study employed the coefficient of determination through regression analysis.

Table 4.15: Direct cash transfer and improved livelihoods

Model Summary

		R	Adjusted R		
Model	R	Square	Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	
1	.874 ^a	.695	.693		.50146

a. Predictors: (Constant), Direct cash transfer

The data presented in Table 4.15 indicates an R value of .874, signifying a substantial impact of direct cash transfer as a predictor on the improved livelihoods of individuals with disabilities in Butula Sub County. These findings suggest that 69.5% of the variation in improved livelihoods can be attributed to the influence of direct cash transfer, indicating a significant level of impact.

Table 4.16: ANOVA Adoption of direct cash transfer and improved livelihoods

		Sum of		Mean		
Model		Squares	Df	Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	80.772	1	80.772	321.208	.000 ^b
	Residual	35.456	141	.251		
	Total	116.229	142			

a. Dependent Variable: Improved livelihoods

b. Predictors: (Constant), Direct cash transfer

The data in Table 4.16 clearly demonstrates a robust influence of direct cash transfer on improved livelihoods in Butula Sub County. The statistical analysis, specifically [F (1, 141) = 321.208, P < .05], underscores the significance of direct cash transfer as a predictor for improved livelihoods.

Table 4.17 Coefficients of Regression equation

		_	Un standar	dized Coefficients	Standardize d Coefficients	_		
Model			B Std. Error		Beta	T	Sig.	
1	(Constant)		0.961	.127	_	7.631	.013	
	Direct cash transfer	X_2	.365	.081	.341	10.643	.000	

a. Dependent Variable: Improved livelihoods

The results gave the study a simple regression equation of:

Improved livelihoods =
$$0.961 + 0.341$$
 Direct cash transfer + ε

The equation indicates that for every individual unit increase in direct cash transfer, there would be a resulting 34.1% increase in improved livelihoods.

4.8 Influence of cash transfer program on improved livelihoods of persons living with disabilities in Butula Sub County.

This ascertained how Cash Transfer programmes in Butula sub county, Busia County, Kenya, affected the better lives of people with disabilities. Views from the respondents were gathered using a five-point rating scale.

Table 4.18: Descriptive statistics

Statements	SD	D	N	A	SA	MEAN	SD	
Households were sensitized at the	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	74.0%	26.0%	4.2516	.43535	
program onset								
CTs engage community representatives	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	76.0%	24.0%	4.2516	.43535	
Periodic monitoring and evaluation of	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	4.0000	.00000	
program success is conducted								
The selected wage amount is sufficient to	22.0%	78.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.7484	.43535	
cater for household needs								
Other organization offer CTs	25.2%	24.5%	50.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2516	.83428	
A baseline survey was done before	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	75.0%	25.0%	4.2516	.43535	
commencement of CTP								

N=143

According to the findings in Table 4.18, it was determined that households received sensitization at the initiation of the program, with 74.0% of respondents confirming this. Additionally, 76.0% of respondents acknowledged the engagement of community representatives by CTs, and 100% agreed that there is periodic monitoring and evaluation of program success. However, 78% of respondents expressed disagreement regarding the

adequacy of the selected wage amount to meet household needs, and 50.3% mentioned the involvement of other organizations in offering CTs. Moreover, 75.0% of respondents indicated the implementation of a baseline survey before the commencement of the Cash Transfer Program (CTP).

4.8.2 Correlation for cash transfer program

The tabulation involved the use of the Pearson Moment Correlation Coefficient, with cash transfer program scores as the primary variable and improvement of livelihoods as the dependent variable.

Table 4.19: Correlation for cash transfer program

		Improved livelihoods
Cash transfer program	Pearson Correlation	.896**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.000
	N	143

^{**}Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed). r = 0.896, N = 143, P<.01

The examination of Table 4.19 indicates a robust positive correlation between the impact of the cash transfer program and the improvement of livelihoods (r=.896, n=143, p<.01).

4.8.3 Regression Analysis for cash transfer program

To assess the extent of the impact of the cash transfer program on enhanced livelihoods in Butula Sub County, the research employed a coefficient of determination (R2) through regression analysis, illustrated in Table 4.20.

Table 4.16: Cash transfer program and improved livelihoods

Model Summary

		R	Adjusted R		
Model	R	Square	Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	
1	.896ª	.750	.697		.51157

a. Predictors: (Constant), Managerial Skills

From Table 4.20 the value of R was .896. This shows that there was a strong influence of cash transfer program and improved livelihoods in Butula sub county. A 75% variation of improved livelihoods was caused by cash transfer program which evidently shows that there exists a level of influence.

Table: 4.21: ANOVA Cash transfer program and improved livelihoods

		Sum of		Mean		
Model		Squares	Df	Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	79.328	1	79.328	303.122	.000 ^b
	Residual	36.900	141	.262		
	Total	116.229	142			

a. Dependent Variable: Improved livelihoods

Cash transfer program is a significant predictor of improved livelihoods as shown in Table 4.21 where [F(1, 141) = 303.122, P < .05).

Table 4.22 Coefficients of Regression equation

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			Standardize d			-
		Un stand	lardized Coefficients	Coefficients	_	
Model		В	Std. Error	Beta	T	Sig.

b. Predictors: (Constant), Cash transfer program

1	(Constant)	_	1.362	.107	_	8.249	.001
	Cash program	Transfer X ₃	.326	.081	.297	12.962	.000

a. Dependent Variable: Improved livelihoods

The results gave the study a simple linear regression equation of:

Improved livelihoods = 1.362 + 0.297 Cash transfer program+ ε

The equation indicates that for every individual unit increase in cash transfer program, there would be a resulting 29.7% increase in improved livelihoods.

4.9 Overall Regression for cash transfer programs and improved livelihoods

To ascertain the significance of the independent factors with respect to the dependent variable—improving lifestyles in Butula Sub County—this study utilized a multivariate regression model. By assisting the study in determining how effectively the predictor factors would predict improved lifestyles, this helps determine whether the major predictor variables employed in this investigation are statistically significant. This was the regression model that was applied.

$$Y=a+\beta_1X_1+\beta_2X_2+\beta_3X_3+\xi$$

Where

Y = Improved livelihoods

a=Y intercept

 β_1 , β_2 , β_3 = Beta Coefficients

 $X_1 = Cash for work$

 X_2 = Direct cash transfer

 X_3 = Cash transfer program

Table 4.23 Model Summary

Model Summary

		-	Adjusted	R Std.	Error	of	the
Model R		R Square	Square	Estim	ate		
1	.870 ^a	.750	.743	.4777	2		

Predictors: (Constant), Cash for work, Direct cash transfer and Cash transfer program

Dependent variable: Improved livelihoods

The correlation analysis from Table 4.23 indicates a robust relationship (R = .870) between cash transfer programs and improved livelihoods in Butula Sub County. The coefficient of determination (R2), reflecting the proportion of variance in improved livelihoods explained by cash transfer programs, was high at 75%. This suggests that the model effectively captures the variability of the response data, with 75% of the variance in improved livelihoods attributed to the influence of cash transfer programs. Additionally, an ANOVA test was conducted to check on the significance of cash transfer programs as a predictor of improved livelihoods, with summarized results presented in Table 4.24.

Table 4.24 Analysis of Variance

ANOVA^a

Mod	el	Sum Squares	of Df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	86.040	3	28.680	132.165	$.000^{b}$
	Residual	30.189	139	.217		
	Total	116.229	142			

a. Dependent Variable: Improved livelihoods

The results from the 4-way ANOVA in Table 4.24 reveal significant findings [F (3, 139) =132.165, P<.05], indicating a substantial influence of the predictor variables (Cash for work, Direct cash transfer, and Cash transfer program) on the response variable (Improved livelihood). The significance value of 0.00 further emphasizes the statistical significance of this influence.

CHAPTER FIVE

SUMMARY OF RESULTS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Introduction

The findings, discussions, and conclusions drawn from the study's findings and the suggestions that followed are summarized in this section.

5.2 Summary of Findings

This study sought to investigate the influence of cash transfer programs on improved livelihoods in Butula Sub County. By looking at this study a baseline is found upon which concerted efforts to improve livelihoods of people living with disabilities in Busia County may be rethought and adopted. The study established that there is a positive correlation between influence of cash transfer programs and improved livelihoods in Butula Sub County

b. Predictors: (Constant), Cash for work, Direct cash transfer and Cash transfer program

5.2.1 Influence of cash for work on improved livelihoods

The first goal of the study was to evaluate how Cash for Work impacts the enhanced livelihoods of individuals with disabilities in Butula sub county. The findings revealed that 74.8% of respondents reported increased accessibility to health centers due to the availability of cash. Additionally, 24.5% mentioned the ability to finance vocational training. Respondents indicated that cash transfer (CT) payments are consistently received on time, with 49.7% agreeing and 25.2% strongly agreeing. Notably, 100% of respondents affirmed that payments are only made for completed tasks, and 75.5% agreed on equal pay for equal work. Correlation results demonstrated a robust positive association (r=.799, n=143, p<.01) between the impact of cash for work and the improvement of livelihoods in Butula. The coefficient of determination (R2) stood at .576, signifying a 57.6% variation in improved livelihoods attributed to cash for work.

5.2.2 Influence of direct cash transfer on improved livelihoods

The second objective aimed to determine the impact of Direct Cash Transfers on the enhanced livelihoods of Persons Living With Disabilities (PLWD) in Butula sub county, Busia County, Kenya. Results indicated that 74.8% of respondents solely relied on Cash Transfer Programs (CTPs) as their primary source of income, and 75.5% confirmed the absence of alternative income sources. Moreover, 50.3% disagreed with the notion that the cash transfer program effectively targets the most vulnerable individuals, with 74.8% disagreeing that only households in dire need benefit from the program. The study revealed a robust positive correlation between direct cash transfer and improved livelihoods (r=.874, n=143, p<.01). Regression analysis showcased a substantial 69.5%

variation in improved livelihoods attributed to direct cash transfer, indicating a significant level of influence.

5.2.3 Influence of cash transfer programs on improved livelihoods

The third objective sought to explore the impact of Cash Transfer Programs (CTPs) on the enhanced livelihoods of persons living with disabilities in Butula Sub County, Busia County, Kenya. Findings indicated that 74.0% of respondents agreed that households were sensitized at the program's commencement, while 76.0% affirmed that CTPs involve community representatives. Additionally, 100% of respondents acknowledged periodic monitoring and evaluation of program success. However, 78% disagreed that the selected wage amount is adequate for household needs, and 50.3% indicated awareness of other organizations offering CTPs. Correlation analysis demonstrated a robust positive association (r=.896, n=143, p<.01) between the influence of cash transfer programs and the improvement of livelihoods. Regression analysis further revealed that 75% of the variation in improved livelihoods could be attributed to the cash transfer program, indicating a noteworthy level of influence.

5.3 Conclusions

5.3.1 Cash for work

The general opinion of the respondents was that cash for work caused diverse and inclusive work force that the money not enough to cater for needs and that the support has led to improvement of livelihoods in Butula. It was also established that cash for work has enhanced economic wellbeing, it has enhanced self-esteem among people living with disabilities, it has encouraged independence and has also helped them to be able to

meet the needs. From the test of hypothesis results, it was concluded that Cash for Work has a significant relationship with improved livelihood of PLWD especially the youths in Butula sub county, Busia County, Kenya.

5.3.2 Direct cash transfer

The general opinion of the respondents was that direct cash transfer has helped them to mitigate challenges, has increased their purchasing power, has helped them to meet their needs and it has provided a stable income source for them. Test of hypothesis results led to a conclusion that direct cash transfer has a significant relationship with improved livelihood of PLWD in Butula sub county, Busia County, Kenya.

5.3.3 Cash transfer program

The general opinion of the respondents was that cash transfer program has been instrumental in alleviating financial burdens leading to an improvement in living conditions improved. It also provides a source of income for them and has led to reduced isolation. Test of hypothesis results showed that Cash transfer program has a significant relationship with improved livelihood of PLWD in Butula sub county.

5.4 Recommendations

i. Given the positive impact of cash for work on creating a diverse and inclusive workforce, it is recommended that there be an exploration of avenues to increase the funding allocated to these programs. This can ensure that the financial support provided is more substantial and better aligned with the needs of PLWD, addressing concerns about the adequacy of the funds.

- ii. Recognizing that direct cash transfer programs have significantly increased purchasing power and addressed various challenges, there is a need to tailor these programs to the specific needs of individual PLWD. Customizing cash transfer plans based on the unique circumstances and requirements of recipients can maximize the positive impact on their livelihoods.
- iii. It is recommended that efforts be made to expand the reach and accessibility of cash transfer programs. This may involve increasing the number of beneficiaries, streamlining application processes, and ensuring that the program is well-publicized to reach all eligible PLWD in Butula Sub County.
- iv. Given the significance of cash for work, direct cash transfer, and cash transfer programs in improving the livelihoods of PLWD, it is recommended that a robust monitoring and evaluation framework be established. Regular assessments can gauge the effectiveness of these programs, identify areas for improvement, and ensure that the intended benefits are consistently realized.

5.5 Areas for further research

This research due to time constraints was focused mainly on people living with disabilities in Butula Sub County who have benefitted from cash transfer programs. It is therefore recommended that Research be expanded to also those people living with disabilities and are not beneficiaries of cash transfer program.

The research focused mainly on people living with disabilities and the researcher recommends the study be done to other groups benefitting from cash transfer programs like the OVC and also old people in the cash transfer program in Butula Sub County.

Butula being a sub county in Busia County which borders Uganda, it is therefore recommended that research be conducted in another sub county in a border County so as to compare the findings

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APPENDICES

Appendix I: Introduction Letter

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29/07/2022

MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND SOCIAL PROTECTION STATE DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL PROTECTION BUSIA.

Dear Sir,

RE: Cash Transfer Programs and Improved Livelihoods of People Living with

Disabilities

I'm the postgraduate student mentioned above, pursuing a master of arts in project management at the UoN. I plan to investigate the aforementioned topic. I'm writing to ask for your approval to research the 150 recipients in Butula Sub County. The data will be handled in confidence and with the highest privacy, just for research purposes.

Yours faithfully,

Faith Bisach

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Appendix II: Questionnaire/Interview Schedule on Cash Transfer Programs and Improved Livelihoods of Persons Living with Disabilities

I am conducting a study on the influence of Cash Transfer Programs on the livelihoods of people living with disabilities. This research is for educational purposes only and the information shared is confidential. Your honest responses will be greatly appreciated.

	Code	Statement						Strongly Disagree	Disagree (2)	Neutral (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)
	SECT	ION B: Impro	oved	Livelih	oods o	of Peo	ple Livi	ng witl	n Disabi	lities		
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	SECT	ION A										

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D.1	Access to nutrition/food	<u> </u>	Г	
B1	Cash Transfer Program hascreated access to			
DO	nutrition C.II. at 1			
B2	Daily food needs are fully met by the received amount			
В3	The CT amount is enough for a balanced			
	healthy diet			
	Access to healthcare			
B4	PWSD are able to visit health centers due to			\top
	cash availability			
B5	CT amount enough to take care of medical			
	bills when they arise			
B6	Healthcare services are generally affordable			
	Access to education			
D7			l I	
B7	PWSD have access to education			
B8	PWSD can pay for their vocational training			
B9	Households are able to educate their children			
	from the received cash			
	Access to housing/Shelter			
B10	Housing is more affordable thanks to CTP			
B11	Permanent house structures have been built			
DII	through the incentive			
B12	Shelter needs have been taken care of by			
	CTP			
	Access to capital for income generating			
	activities			
B13	the amount received Is adequate to invest			
B14	Income generating activity started is			
	sustainable.			
B15	There is market of goods or services			

What is your personal view on improved livelihoods of PLWD in Butula Sub County?

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What receiv	other source of income generating activities ed?	have	you star	ted wit	h the	amount	
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	Timely payments	J G 2					
C1	CT payments are received on time	Т			Т		
C2	The payments are made consistently						_
C3	Payments are made directly to the beneficiaries	;					
	Work done	· ·	1	,	<u> </u>		
C4	Payments are made only for completed tasks						
C5	There's equal pay for equal work						
C6	PWSD easily get access to work						

Payment amount enough to meet all the basic household needs

Needs met

C7

C8	Meeting individual needs was difficult before CTP			
C9	Not all special needs are met by the cash transfer program			
	Gender balance			
C10	Both genders have equal chances of benefiting from cash transfers			
C11	Equal amounts are given to either gender			
	Employment generation			
C12	Cash transfers program has opened employment avenues			
C13	Employment resulting from CTs are long term			

III WIIa	it other way(s) do you think Cash for work has	impro	vea the i	ivenno	ous of	people				
living with disabilities?										
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	Dependency									
D1	PWSD depend only on CTPs as the main	ı								
	income source									
D2	PWSD have other sources of income									
	Target population									
D3	Cash Transfer program targets the most	t								
	vulnerable people									
D4	Only households in dire need benefit from the									
	program									

	Security										
D5	Recipients of Cash transfers are at risk of										
	being attacked or extorted										
D6	Farmers are taken to educational tours										
	Corruption										
D7	Program managers are accountable										
D8	Cash maybe diverted by officers in charge										
	Market economy										
D9	Market prices vary depending on cash										
	availability										
D10	CTs take care of inflation										
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D9	Market prices vary depending on cash availability					
D10	CTs take care of inflation					
with di	s your take on Direct Cash Transfer and Improisabilities?					
SECT	ION E: Cash Transfer Programs and Impro	ved Li	velihood	ls of Peo	ple Li	iving
with d	isabilities					
Code	Statement	Strongly Disagree	Disagree (2)	Neutral (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)
	Community sensitizations					
F1	Households were sensitized at the program onset					
F2	CTs engage community representatives					
	Monitoring and Evaluation					
F3	Periodic monitoring and evaluation of program success is conducted					
	Wage levels					
F4	The selected wage amount is sufficient to cater for household needs					
	Local partners					

F5	Other organization offer CTs			
	Baseline data			
F6	A baseline survey was done before commencement of CTP			

In	your	own	opinio	n how	has	Cash	Transfer	programs	improve	livelihoods	of people
liv	ing w	ith di	sabiliti	es?							

Thank you