

## MUSTAQBAL

Center for Special Needs مركز المستقبل لذوي الاحتياجات الخاصة

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# BACKGROUND & INTRODUCTION

### INTRODUCTION



- The protracted wars in Somalia have left large numbers of children suffering from mental and physical illnesses, the physically effected children are able to find some care in health centers and facilities providers, unfortunately; the children suffering from mental illnesses and with the special needs do not have a specialized center that considers their psychological condition and provides them with programs to restore psychological balance for them in order to integrate into the society.
- Hence, the idea of establishing Mustaqbal Center for Special Needs and Kindergarten came at the beginning of 01/04/2016 as the first center of its kind in Somalia that seeks to provide a suitable place and a healthy environment for the children with special needs to spend their time in an atmosphere suitable for their age, needs and desires.
- The center provides trained teachers to prepare the child socially, intellectually, cognitively, healthily, perceptually and linguistically, considering the specificity of each case and its constant need for care, rehabilitation and training, and keeping pace with the new in the field of development for the children with special needs.



OUR AIMS Mustaqbal Center for Special Needs, aims to train the children with special needs and those around them to integrate easily into society through specialized training programs.



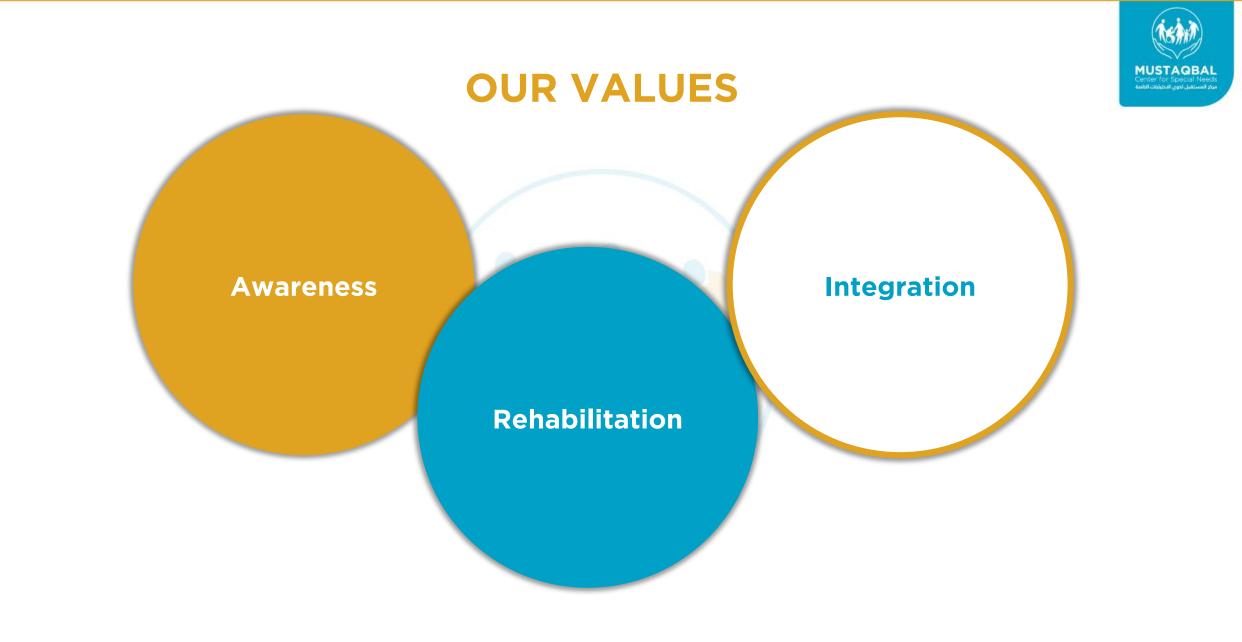
#### VISION



Creating an environment in which all Somali children living with disorders and their families are respected, accepted, treated with high level of dignity and integrating them with a society where their competencies and skills are valued, supported and appreciated

#### **MISSION**

We are committed to discover the aspirations and the skills of the children with special needs and we assist them utilize their potential for productive, rewarding environment and improving their lives We also provide the children with special needs the means to explore, express and experience as we work hand in hand with the parents and other professionals who form the core of the child to create awareness in the society about the uniqueness and the talents of the children with special needs.



0	UR GOALS	
1	Rehabilitation and development of children with special needs	
2	Introducing families to the type of their children's disabilities and training them to deal with them correctly	
3	Helping children with special needs to overcome their disability and integrate them with their peers of normal children	
4	Discovering the skills of the children with special needs and assisting them to use and develop that skills	
5	Giving the children with special needs enough information of life skills, and writing and reading skills.	
6	Saving the expensive treatment and care costs outside Somalia.	

### JUSTIFICATION OF THE CENTER



- The presence of a large number of children with special needs necessitates the presence of a specialized center.
- The lack of a specialized center for children with special needs in Somalia.
- The difficult psychological conditions experienced by the families of the children with special needs
- The lack of culture in the families represented in the ways and methods of dealing with children with special needs.
- The difficult economic conditions experienced by the families of the children with special needs and their inability to travel outside Somalia for treatment
- The presence of specialists who have good experience in dealing with children with special needs.

### **ACTIVITIES OF THE CENTER**



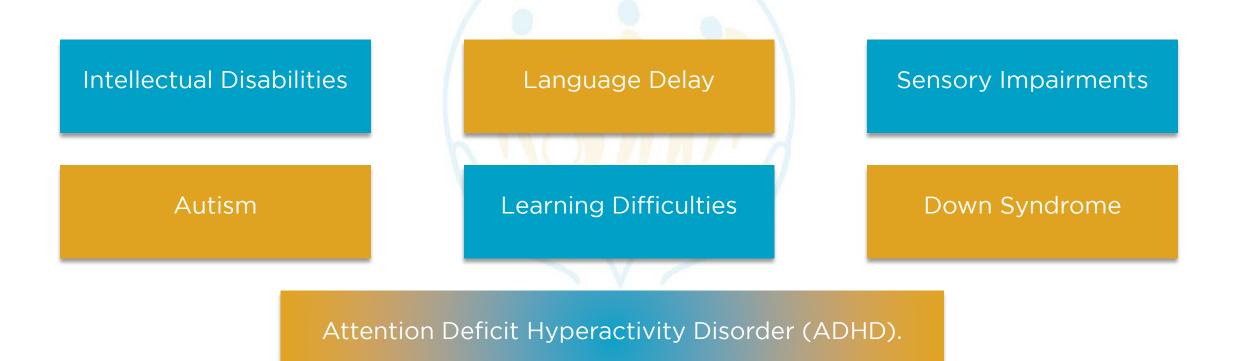
#### The activities and the programs of the center includes the following:

- Care and education for the children through supervisors and teachers specialized in the field of children with special needs.
- 2. Development of individual skills of the children with special needs
- 3. Recreational trips for the children with special needs
- 4. An integration programs for the children with special needs with their peer normal children through an established kindergarten partnerships.
- 5. Behavior Modification sessions
- 6. Speech therapy for the children with special needs

#### **CASES SPONSORED BY THE CENTER**



The cases we sponsor and our programs include the following



### **ACCOMPANYING PROGRAMS**

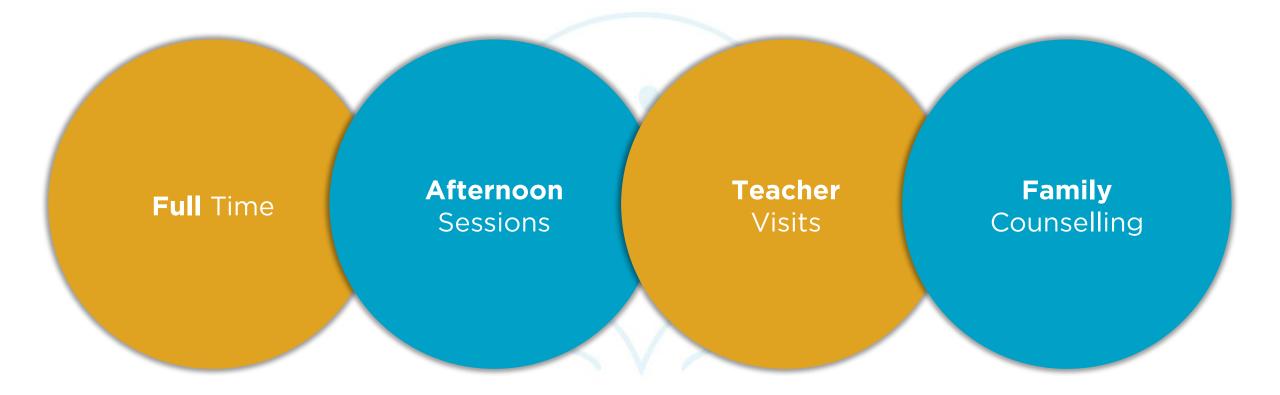


In addition to the systematic study, the center offers some accompanying activities and programs, which are as follows:

- Healthcare/ routine medical checkups by the Somali pediatricians
- Nutritious meals
- Counseling sessions for the families of the children with special needs
- A well established and planned kindergarten partnered services to create an environment of inclusion and integration.

#### **OUR MODE OF STUDY**









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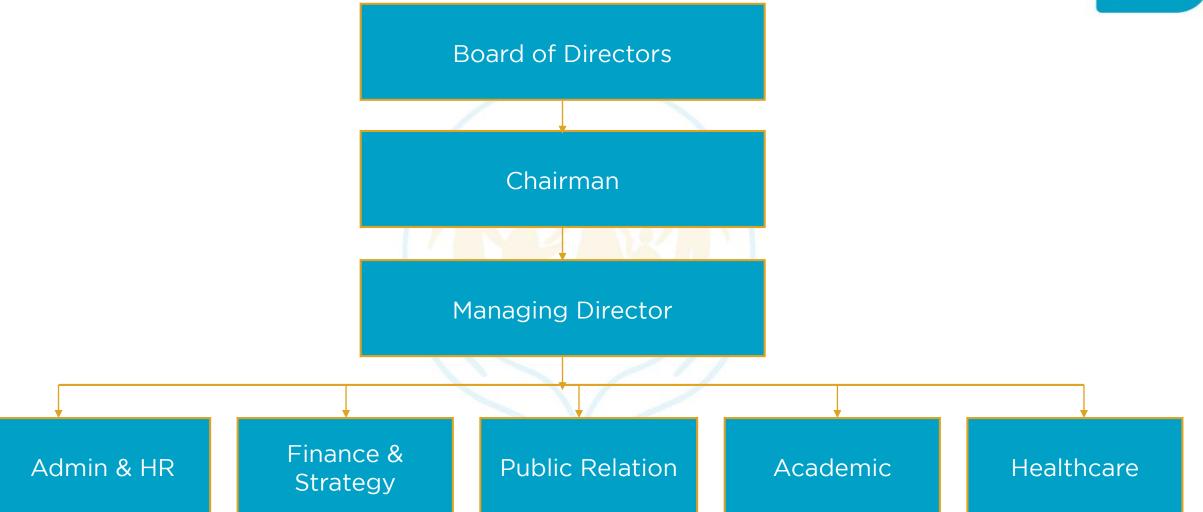
**STAFF** 



 We have many Somali professional volunteers living in diaspora who are working in special needs centers outside Somalia and they support the center with trainings for the teachers through virtual trainings and summer visits.

### **OUR STRUCTURE**





# CHILDREEN STATUS

#### **CENTER DATA**

**BY DISORDER** 



#### The distribution of the children by gender, age, disorder and district.

Disorder type	Number of each disorder	Percentage of each disorder
Autism	254	68%
Down syndrome	34	9%
Cerebral palsy	41	11%
Other disorders	45	12%
Total	374	100%

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**BY GENDER** 



#### The distribution of the children by gender, age, disorder and district.

Gender type	Number of each group	Percentage of each group
Male	292	78%
Female	82	22%
Total	374	100%

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#### The distribution of the children by gender, age, disorder and district.

Disorder type	Number of each disorder	Percentage of each disorder
Less than 3 years	23	6%
3 to 12 years	329	88%
13 to 18 years	11	3%
Above 18 years	11	3%
Total	374	100%





#### We partner with some professional associations and other groups like.

Somali Pediatric Association	Somali Mental Health Association	Neurologists
Psychologists	Schools & kindergarten	Somali Teachers Syndicate
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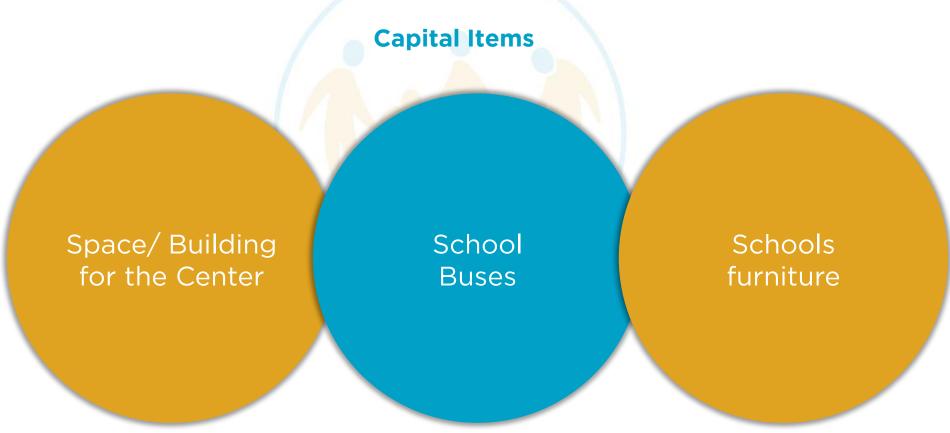
## CURRENT CHALLENGES





Though the center has been working for years but it has needs that we categorized

under the following main areas:













Trainings for the Teachers

Advocacy and Public Awareness Activities

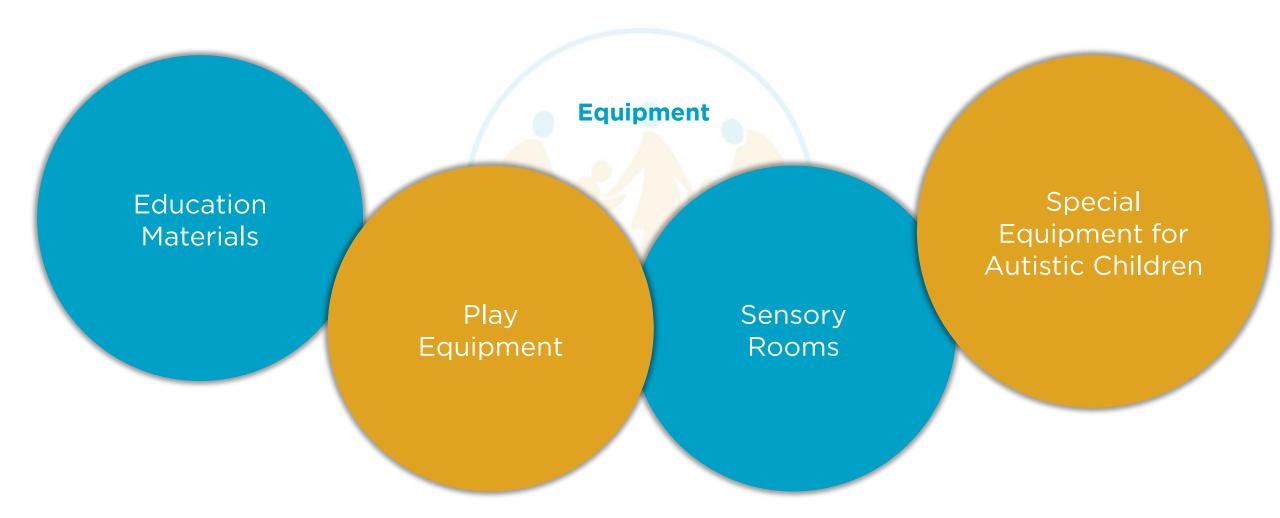
Family Counselling Sessions

**Capacity Building** 

Expertise Exchange Programs





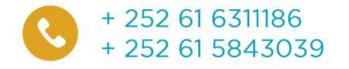














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