

Common Strengths and Weaknesses of Amaudo Itumbauzo and Association St. Camille de Lellis

Common Strengths

- Strong social and recovery focus towards community reintegration
- Conceptual models and practice derived from strong ethical stance, and learned experience in local context
- Very strong commitment of staff, local and international volunteers, and financial supporters
- Reliable support from local and international networks including the church
- Capacity for long-term sustainability despite economic hardship and war
- Positive impact on broader system and community attitudes

Common weaknesses

- Reliance on charismatic leader makes replication and sustainability difficult, though there is some progress away from this
- Charity model can be disempowering for service users and service itself
- Insecurity of resources based on individual donations
- Poor pay of staff and lack of permanently employed professionals
- Inconsistency of medical standards and medication availability
- Financial and management challenges in scaling-up