



PGOF

Mid-Year Report

July 2022



Every girl a precious gift.

01 Introduction

GROWING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FROM THE SEEDS OF HOPE, the foundation believes that every child deserves to be cared for, and that each of its lives is a precious gift. PGOF ensures that the girls are nourished, healthy, safe, and educated.

Working closely with Our Lady of Kibeho Orphanage Foundation in Canada, the team in Uganda has been blessed continue taking care of 100 vulnerable girls.

Project Location: KIWENDA WAKISO DISTRICT

CONSIDERED PERIOD : FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL AND MAY 2022

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02 Key Achievements (Feb - May 2022)

The girls started the new academic year 2021 in January after their promotional exams.

Enrollment per Class

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| 1 | Primary One | 20 |
| 2 | Primary Two | 10 |
| 3 | Primary Three | 14 |
| 4 | Primary Four | 17 |
| 5 | Primary Five | 20 |
| 6 | Primary Six | 15 |
| 7 | Primary Seven | 4 |

02 Social Life

Following 2 years of the pandemic, improving the social life of the girls has been one of the key areas of focus. Basic Counselling services have been provided by the Nurse and the Headmistress of Springfield to the girls. Social activities have been included in their daily schedules i.e. reading news papers, music dance and drama, debate teams, interpreting emotions, story telling etc.

With support from Our Lady of Kibeho Orphanage Foundation Canada, the Orphanage continued to provide the basic necessities of life, including food, water, medical care and clothing/uniforms to 100 girls.



The Orphanage continued to provide nutritious meals; A balanced diet with nutritious 3 meals on a daily basis have been provided. Food items were purchased with support from Canada and the vegetables and fruits from the Orphanage Farm.

The Matrons have continued to support the girls in mentoring them through supportive, non- judgmental discussions, role modelling. Health relationships have been developed overtime.



Matrons: Namutebi Aidah and Nakitto Proscovia



03 Skill Development

In order to prepare the girls for the future, skills development has been included in their daily activities. Morning routine, independent showers, hygiene facts, advanced house hold tasks like cleaning bathrooms, time management, learning how to resolve simple conflicts etc.

Cooking skills: Making fire, peeling local foods and many others according to their ages and also particular interests

Arts and crafts continue to be one of their favorite activities. In duality, these are also marketable skills which will increase the employability of these girls in adulthood.



04 Education

All girls received scholastic materials (books, mathematical sets etc.) and educational aids at the beginning of the year.

Despite the fact that schools opened at the beginning of the year, the instruction continued at the orphanage and the second term will continue to be studied at the orphanage. The girls are expected to join the other students for the end of year final exams in third term (September 2022).

The grades of the girls have been good and they have greatly improved in the past one year. The girls in Primary Seven are preparing for their final year exams- They will be doing their Mock Papers in mid July.

05 Faith

All girls continue to pray according to their faith. Prayer has been made central to the life and daily living of the girls. Novenas, rosaries, praise and worship and other forms of prayer have been encouraged and fostered at the Orphanage.

06 Farming

The month of January, February are for planting, seedlings, since there is rain. Fruits and vegetables from the farm have helped the Orphanage to provide nutritional balanced diet meals now that prices of food items have gone up.

07 Health

Unfortunately, there has been several cases of sickness (Malaria) i.e, coughs, Typhoid, bacteria infections and diarrhea which was caused by the contaminated water source. The nurse continues to mobilize all the medical resources at her disposal to support and mitigate the issue, and the girls living with HIV have continued to receive their HIV/AIDS Antiretroviral drugs. Thank you for your support in helping us hire a nurse. But in order to sufficiently address the problem there is an urgent need to acquire a clean water (H₂O) source.



07b. Water Source Problem



**Contaminated
Water Supply**



**! URGENT NEED FOR NEW
AND CLEAN WATER
SOURCE !**





09 Challenges

- Diseases i.e. Typhoid , Diarrhoea
- Increasing prices of commodities i.e. foods, cooking oil, sugar etc....
- Unreliable electricity supply with constant power shortages
- Water Shortages

10 Sustainability Plan

The team of Precious Gift Orphanage Foundation in Uganda, has over a period of several months, carried out and completed a feasibility study aimed at ensuring a long- term sustainability strategy is developed and implemented; with a robust and risk managed income generating projects. With this at the forefront of business strategy; the local volunteers and friends of the foundation have designed and are mobilizing resources for the establishment of an early year learning center called a Kindergarten to be established in the current main Hall.

This kindergarten is in high demand because currently 46% of Uganda's total population is 0-14 and therefore there is an extraneous number of young Ugandans in need of early childhood education. This school would provide the resources and quality infrastructure needs of populace to increase the quality of education available in this region of Uganda.

Below is what will be required to set up the Kindergarten.

The volunteers have already mobilized the furniture and a few scholastic materials to be used in the classrooms.

One of the volunteers is a social worker; and is passionate about the well-being of these girls, and he has greater interest and always very grateful to the Foundation's role in supporting the girl child, because of the caring heart and the long standing educationist –including having invested in Early year learning education in Uganda, lives and works in UK as a social worker. He is keen on providing technical support and providing items like teaching aids and core resources to allow this project commence in the next 3 months.

The other local volunteers are mobilizing resources and marketing the Kindergarten to the neighboring communities and far beyond. A business plan is being developed and this will be shared with the board in Canada, once the required resources/infrastructure have been finalized.