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1.0. Introduction



Our Goal:

To structurally improve and increase access to basic social and economic livelihoods of people in marginalized communities.

Mission:

We aim to empower the local community by providing resources to support them in education, health and life. Community members identify the most pressing needs and we provide support to help meet these needs.



Vision:

To see rural communities in Uganda develop using sustainable solutions that give hope and dignity to the most vulnerable.

Our Core Values:

- Honesty and integrity.
- Hard work, going the extra mile and team work
- Respect for diversity.
- Fairness, Equity and Justice
- Solidarity with the poor.
- Respect for the rights of children





Our Profile:

The Umbrella of Hope (TUH) is a Not-for-profit organization established and registered in Uganda under Registration No. 5562036664 in 2007, and in The Netherlands under Registration No. KvK-nummer 63567563 in 2015.

We are based in The Hague Netherlands and working in rural Uganda since 2007 providing education for children in rural areas, providing health care for the most marginalized groups like young people, adolescents and women, helping young people develop the right skills to find jobs and start their own businesses and empower women to help transform their local communities.



Our method:

1. Centrality of the Person

The person is the centre of any development program, and the purpose of every project. This means, first of all, sharing the needs of the other, who as a unique human being desires happiness, truth, beauty, justice and freedom. The very nature of the person implies relationships—first and foremost with the family and the community; consequently, The Umbrella of Hope Foundation assumes this context as the starting point.

2. Everyone must participate

A project imposed from above is either violent, because not shared, or unsustainable, because assistance-oriented. The Umbrella of Hope Foundation's approach to project design and implementation is “doing with” people starting from a relationship with the people to whom the project is directed, and building with them on the basis of their development path.

3. Building and strengthening Partnerships

Partnership originates from the application of the principle of subsidiarity. Thus, starting from an existing subject, partnership implies the identification and involvement of a growing number of actors active in the field, including public and private, local and international actors. Opportunities for synergy must be identified or created in order to optimize available resources and enhance the effectiveness of all projects over the long-term.



Foreword

It is always a pleasure to write a report when there is good news to convey. The Umbrella of Hope Foundation (Stichting The Umbrella of Hope Nederland) team are doing such a great job for the most vulnerable and marginalized communities that reporting their achievements becomes a real joy.

The Umbrella of Hope has been in existence for now 10 years and already we have crossed many milestones and achieved a great deal, and by the end of 2018 we will have reached out to 50,000 beneficiaries through our various programs. We are also aiming to be able to benefit 200,020 people by 2020.

During our first 10 years, we have been concentrating mainly on consolidating and strengthening the internal capacity of our organization, and implementing education, health, and social well-being programmes for people in the remotest and most vulnerable communities in Uganda. Our achievements have been far from modest.

For The Umbrella of Hope Foundation the real need of each person is to find someone who loves him/her, considers him/her important and supports him in any circumstance of life. For us, only this approach that focuses on supporting communities and individuals to become aware of their value and dignity is what makes these initiatives sustainable.

In responding to each person's real need in their life's journey, we build protagonists, persons that can take responsibility in their search for sustenance. It is only this kind of approach that results in a "true" sustainability. This year, like others in the past has been a journey of companionship, where the commitment of our staff, both those in the front line and those behind the scenes remained integral to the success of our programs.

We thank all our friends, partners, volunteers (all over the world) and donors who share our aspirations and have given us a tremendous support even during this time of difficult economic situations.



Michael Mawambi Dhatemwa
Founder and International
Programmes Coordinator

PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE



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Evidence-Based Interventions

Long lasting change begins with Identifying the actual needs of the communities you work in. Our projects are based on evidence, We conduct different research activities including Needs Assessments, Situational Analysis, and baseline studies to ascertain the actual problems and needs of the targeted communities.

With evidence-based programming you can never go wrong, and that's why all our activities are cost- effective since we invest money in the right causes. We cover a wide area reaching as many beneficiaries using very low expenditure, making us one of the most effective and efficient organization to work with.

Spotlight on The Netherlands

Migrant Women Manifesto Project

127 women and 17 men benefitted from the African women migrant manifesto Project funded by The Hague municipality. The long term aim of the The African women migrant manifesto project is to challenge the socio-economic inequalities and empower vulnerable migrant African women towards the goal of self-reliance, meaningful integration, and emancipation. The Following was achieved:

- Provided 52 women with knowledge on finding work and sustainable living in the city of The Hague.
- Provided post training support and guidance to 98 African women and 8 men through CV editing and career guidance. We supported through mentoring and coaching to 30 females and 2 men on sustainable living in The Hague.
- Provided career building materials to 126 women and 17 men
- Overall 74 women and 5 men signed up for volunteering opportunities in Volunteering organizations based in the Hague WSF, Creating Rights and DigiDames, Access Netherlands, Mammарosa, A world in Your Classroom, Creating Rights, Unity in Diversity
- 31 women and 8 men were connected and signed up with several businesses working in career, education, housing and language organizations including Undutchables, Octagen professionals, Volunteer The Hague and Ranstad.
- Providing post training guidance, continuous support and linkage of African women to organizations in The Hague for integration and emancipation
- 7 internship opportunities with The Umbrella of Hope Foundation
- 52 women and 9 men have now signed up with several recruiting agencies in The Hague.
- 72 women are now learning the Dutch language in different schools around The Hague.



The Uganda Mandate Health Care Programme in Uganda

Sanitary pad: Girls Speak Up Project– UGANDA

150 Local Girls benefited from menstrual health education and resources provided by the “Girls Speak Up!” Project funded by the staff of Shell NL.

The Girls Speak Up project enabled girls to stay in school by empowering girls to talk about menstrual health issues, gain access to menstrual health education, access adequate Water facilities, and acquire re-useable locally produced sanitary materials. Shell helped the Girls of Mulanga village to **break the silence** around menstruation and improve the water facilities of their remote village.



Empowered the Community!

25 mothers and fathers, school teachers and school management received training by a qualified nurse about all the elements of good menstrual health management and hygienic practices

“I personally learnt what the girls experience and how I can understand their needs”. Charles, Male Teacher

“I am 52 years and I didn’t know what menstrual periods are all about, but now the nurse has opened my eyes...With this information I can also teach my friends in the market” Rose, 52

Training and Empowering 150 School Girls in MHM

150 girls participated in training sessions by a qualified nurse in a safe and open forum to ask questions, and learn how to manage their menstrual hygiene.

Installed a water tank and tap at school

A new water tank and tap to ensures that over 100-200 Girls can maintain and manage their own hygiene practices during their menstruation in the long term.

Provided 150 Girls and 25 Women with sustainable, environmentally-friendly sanitary materials

The project provided locally made, (environmentally-friendly) sanitary pads that can be re-used for up to one year.

“Before the boys laugh at me; I didn’t want to go to school in these weeks. Now I can go to school happy.”

Bogezi aged 14

“Now I know how to take care of myself during my period, washing my hands and using the pads.”

Namusisi aged 15

“I will never stay at home again during my period”

Nambalirwa aged 13

Sexual and Reproductive health: Rise Up Project- Uganda

Results and Achievements

Nr. of peer providers trained	60
Nr. of monitoring meetings with educators	24
Nr. of table talks held	72
Nr. of young people at the table talks	3.700
Nr. of routine outreaches organised	24
Nr. of youth open days organised	13
Nr. of SRHR services provided through outreach	6.000
Nr. of SRHR services provided through peer providers	9.200
Nr. of condoms distributed	8.000
Nr. of peer providers trained to provide quality services to young clients	30



The project resulted in;

- Increasing knowledge/awareness of young people on where, when and how to obtain SRH services.
- Increasing and sustaining uptake of SRH services among young people.

Education Support & Empowerment Programme- Uganda

Child Education and Sponsorship Project

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SUPPORT WITH SCHOLARSTIC MATERIALS

Every day over 500 poor children and orphans in Mulanga village wake up without a school to attend and those who do have to walk miles to the nearest primary school which has no adequate school facilities. However, many miss out on school because they can't afford scholastic materials and fees. We received donations through GlobalGiving USA, ISS Erasmus Rotterdam – Welfare Office, FIS Global Amsterdam and private individuals which meant funds were available for these children to attend school at Mulanga primary school! These donations enabled over 16 children to join school for a term--and, we purchased new school uniforms, new shoes, books, pens, pencils, mathematical set, and the school fees which all enabled them to attend lessons without any disturbance. These donations also helped these children to get meals at school (breakfast and lunch). We made huge a difference in the lives of these children.

Group 1: 13 children – school books and pens

Group 2: 4 children (most vulnerable) – fees, uniforms, shoes, bags, school meals.

- Milly aged 15 – pregnancy at aged 13, single mother with no available income for school due to fees, uniform, books, shoes.

- Hellen aged 8 – orphaned (living with aged grandmother) – no income available for school fees, uniforms, shoes, books.



Meet Hellen: Having lost both her parents to HIV/AIDs, Hellen went to stay with her elderly grandmother who couldn't provide her much. With your donations, Hellen has been able to go back to school.

Her grandmother says "Thank you" with tears in her eyes.

Meet Milly aged 15:



"I am really so happy for all those who donated towards my education, I can now focus of achieving my dream to be a nurse," Milly explains. She's pictured here wearing her new school uniform with all the school requirements, and a big smile. She says "I don't know anyone who sponsored my education, but I know they have a good heart, thank you very much"

Meet Silas and Joet aged 7 and 9:

They live with their widowed mother Mary in a dilapidated house in Bulanga village; they used not to have shoes or clothes and medical care. Sometimes they would have only one small meal a day. With your donations Silas and Joet can now go to school and also eat regular meals.



Girls' Empowerment through Sports and Livelihood Improvement Project.

Inspiring Change and Advocating Gender Equality through Sport

The Umbrella of Hope Foundation received sports clothing donations therefore launched a project to mentor girls from deprived communities towards addressing issues that undermine girl-child education and empowerment.

The project is themed as "Sports to Help Keep Girls in Schools and Promote Gender Equality".

Activities Undertaken

- Football matches between female and male teachers (This was aimed at inspiring the young students to learn the importance of working together as boys and girls).
- The football games between girls and boys consisted of student teams with equal numbers of boy and girl players and only girls could score goals, so teams could only win by valuing and supporting their female team members.
- There were also advocacy speeches from the local leaders and one youth role model about the importance of involving girls in school and household activities just like boys do.

Project Impact

The elder boys and girls learnt how to guide and coach the younger ones in a 30-minute session of play-based activities. This session encouraged participation in healthy physical activity for the younger children, and developed leadership skills for the older ones.

Promoted gender equality on the sports field and beyond by valuing female participation in sports. Over 80 girls are now active in sports.

Behaviours and attitudes towards girls participating sports and school activities have now changed among the male teachers and students. This is witnessed in the number of girls participating in sports and other school activities

An assessment done so far shows a positive change in social interaction and friendship among girls and boys in schools. This has caused positive shifts in gender norms that enable girls and women greater safety and control over their lives.

Girls have improved on their self-esteem and bodily integrity



Clothing Donations to poor families in Uganda



Milly (12) and daughter (aged 2)



On the left: Hellen and grandmother and on the right, Silas and Joet



Alamanzani and Miramizu (with grandmother)



VOICES FROM THE FIELD

Beneficiary: Girl Education

"My daughter was forced into early marriage after giving birth at the age of 13, I am so happy that umbrella of hope has given her a second chance of going back to school"

Mother of beneficiary, Mulanga Village

Beneficiary: Menstrual Health

"Before I didn't wash my hands after the toilet, now I can use this water tap and have clean hands." Ekiba age 12

Beneficiary: Reproductive Health

"My Name is Ojambo, I am a resident of Kakira (polota). I have been worried about getting HIV/AIDS because in this are we don't have anywhere to get condoms. I want to thank Umbrella of Hope for bringing condoms close to our community. I feel safe now"

Beneficiary: Sanitary pad

"Before the boys used to laugh at me; I didn't want to go to school when I was in my periods. Now I can go to school happy." Bogezi aged 14

Community stakeholder

I am so happy to see an organization like umbrella of Hope come deep in the rural villages like mulanga and help poor children go to school.

*Head of school Mulanga Primary ,
Mulanga Village*

International Volunteer

"When I heard about the mission of Umbrella of Hope Uganda, I was excited to join their team. Coming from a social work background with a concentration in international humanitarian work, I believed this was an excellent opportunity to contribute to the community of Jinja, Uganda. Volunteers are in integral part to achieving our goals, and I am pleased to be working with this motivated group of individuals"- Andrea, Vrijwilligers coördinator, New York, NY

Our Team

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We also have a host of other part-time and support staff in the following support roles;

Project Support Officers

Monitoring and Evaluation assistants

Research Assistants

Community Outreach officers

Child-based care officers (care & protection)

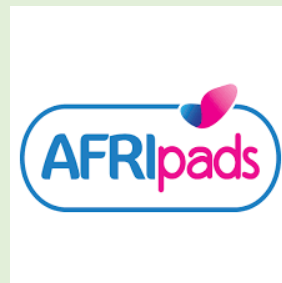
Village Health officers

Volunteers

We also have a group of over 20 volunteers that carry out-reach activities, community awareness, home-based care and support and Monitoring and Evaluation of projects.

OUR SUPPORTERS/FUNDERS!

Everything you've just read about happened because of donors like you. It's true! Not one of these accomplishments over the past year would have been possible if it weren't for people, companies, organizations and institutions like you who believe in transforming communities and lives, and the magic of working with us. Thank you!



AWARDS

Umbrella of Hope Foundation was among the 5 organizations to receive the HKV certificate (The Hague Quality Mark for Voluntary Organizations in The City of The Hague).



We focus on changing lives and poor communities...



...will you join us?

Stay In Touch With Us!

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