

## Hope for Children Center – Kenya

Approximately 90 children live in two dormitories. The compound includes a dining hall, dormitories, and an office building. Water for the center comes from rainwater and water brought from the local river in containers carried by donkeys. Several unsuccessful attempts have been made to dig a well, so one of our biggest projects is to bring in a modern well-drilling company to install a new well and plumbing system.

There is a small farming operation at this orphanage, with over 300 pineapple plants and various other fruit trees and vegetables. The children participate in these operations to learn personal responsibility and life skills. There is potential with existing land and facilities at this site to increase the agricultural program to grow most of the fruits and vegetables used at the orphanage. The Center also owns seven sewing machines to teach tailoring and sew school uniforms.



Pastor Devon, Ruth, Kathie, & some Hope Center kids

The children have assigned chores and they enjoy helping each other keep the grounds in good condition. Some of their favorite pastimes are playing football (soccer), singing, and reading/studying. The children attend local public schools.

## Good Samaritan Home – Kenya

Approximately 35 children live in this orphanage located within walking distance of Hope for Children Center. There are two small dormitories, dining hall/assembly building, kitchen and storage building. The children attend local public schools.



## Maranatha Children's Home - Uganda

Approximately 40 children are in residence in this orphanage. These children are housed in a rented facility. They also attend public day school. The children travel to the country during school holidays to learn agricultural practices and grow some of their food.



Children helping prepare a meal

## Post Secondary Education

Children leave the orphanages when they graduate from secondary school. This is a critical time in their lives as they leave the protective environment of the orphanage to live on their own. Some of our graduates go on to attend vocational school or college and others look for a job or move in with extended family.

Some of our sponsors choose to select another child to sponsor when their children leave the orphanage, but others want to continue to support their children through vocational school or college. This can be done through our Post-Secondary Education (PSE) program.



Vincent, Marwa, and Duncan get ready to go to class.

The cost of supporting a PSE student depends on the school and course of study, but the costs are much less than in the U.S. Students with very good standardized test scores administered by the government often receive scholarships and grants.

Higher education is a tremendous help to these young people because it opens up many more opportunities for higher paying jobs and advancement.