



THANK YOU

Here at AfriKids we would like to say a massive thank you for all of your support. Through our Global Giving campaign we raised a staggering **\$7,915**. This amount will go an exceptionally long way in the Upper East Region (UER) where 88% of people live in poverty; a statistic much higher than the national average in Ghana which stands at 52%.

Your generous support will help us continue to run the excellent childcare facility, that is Mama Laadi's Foster Home. \$7,915 is enough to fund many of the essential facilities at the home for a year, such as; electricity, educational supplies (including uniforms) and development and hygiene talks for children and carers. This amount would also cover the salary of the inspirational Mama Laadi.

Mama Laadi's Foster Home relies on support like yours to maintain its high standards of childcare; providing education, nutritious meals, healthcare and water & sanitation; as well as love and support to 35+ children.

Only 1% of the children AfriKids support need residential care. We have an impressive track record in re-settling vulnerable children successfully with family members. For the children in Mama Laadi's care being re-settled with families was not a viable option. The children living here will have experienced abuse or neglect; have learning difficulties or physical disabilities.

Mama Laadi lives in the home with the children. She has created a loving and caring environment and has successfully developed a real sense of family within the home. It's a real family atmosphere, enhanced with the much loved buddy system where older children help to take care of the younger ones.

Creating a lasting and sustainable change is vital for these children. The Young Entrepreneurs Programme (YEP) supports children as they leave the home and begin their transition into independent adulthood. YEP helps them financially with a basic care package covering, food, accommodation and health insurance. It also provides business start up training or support to continue with tertiary education. Mentoring is also provided so young people have on-going support to help them build secure futures. Take the story of Thomas Aduko who lived at Mama Laadi's. Thomas was supported by YEP and is now a master carpenter, he specialises in roofing and furniture making and employs three other young men, one of whom also lived at Mama Laadi's.

Since it opened in 2004, there have been over **250** direct beneficiaries of Mama Laadi's.

Once again, thank you for your fantastic support, and helping to bring big smiles to little faces!

