



*Healing the heart of humanity one soul at a time*

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## UGANDA OUTREACH

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*"Compassion literally means to feel with, to suffer with. Everyone is capable of compassion, and yet everyone tends to avoid it because it's uncomfortable. And the avoidance produces psychic numbing -- resistance to experiencing our pain for the world and other beings."*

*~ Joanna Macy*

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The objective of this outreach is to provide Vocational and Educational training to displaced children. The means of this is the establishment of a Model Farm with a Chicken and Egg Production Facility. In addition to the vocational aspects, once established, the Facility will provide both an additional source of protein for the children but also provide a supplemental income for medical and school fees.

*"Give a child a fish and he eats for a day. Teach a child to fish and he eats for a lifetime."*

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## CORE VISION OF PROJECT

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The objective of this outreach is to promote Vocational and Educational, Rehabilitation to the many children suffering from various displacements situations, and at the same time to be a program of Income generating for ongoing support and sustainability of the integrative initiatives.

The ultimate goal of this Vocational educational outreach is to create the proper conditions to embrace and empower those children, previously regarded as unwanted and displaced to be included again on the social dynamics of the African societies and make then a valuable instrument of change and Prosperity.

The Re-adaptation and re-integration process of those previously vulnerable displaced children is decisive agenda on the Economical community development of this region and vital to this target group.

## PROJECT DETAILS

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### BENEFICIARIES

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In Uganda, orphaned and internally displaced girls are suffering the most as they have been marginalized in the Ugandan culture for many centuries. They are regarded as creatures of no hope and obliged to marriage as an asset to settle debts that their brothers and elders have caused. They are thus seen as a major source of income to the family. The displaced are:

- Potential victims of rape, defilement and any brutal definition of child abuse.
- HIV/AIDS orphans, handicapped, girls.
- Destitute, albinos and Displaced Children.
- Thousands of war children of northern Uganda<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Many of those children had their stories portrayed on the controversial movie " Invisible Children"



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## PROJECT PARTNER

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## PROJECT LOCATION

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Project Wampewo, LCI, Kasangati  
(Donated Land) Nangabo Sub-County  
9 Miles from Kampala City  
Gayaza Road, Wakiso District  
Central Uganda, East Africa

This project has already received a donated free land to facilitate its establishment by the local community. The land size is 1 acre. However, there are numerous chances of increasing on this size after the project starts its operation. Location: Wampewo, LCI, Kasangati, Nangabo Sub-County, 9 Miles from Kampala City, Gayaza Road, Wakiso District, Central Uganda, East Africa

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<sup>2</sup> Referred to as TDMI



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## SOCIAL BENEFITS

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The Social Benefits of the Model Farm go far beyond the costs involved with its development. These include:

- To deliver all practical skills of human sustainable development closer to the children at school in addition to class work.
- To promote the nutrition cycle of the children as the eggs and chickens are be used in providing meals for an improved diet.
- To ensure a timely support for the needy basing on the local available resources as the hens and eggs will act as the major source of daily income, to eradicate the spirit of dependence and promote self-sustainability of the beneficiaries.
- To illustrate compassion and practical love for the war victims on a daily basis as more donations are gradually made.
- To reduce malnutrition among war affected children and Ugandans in general. Hence, poultry is playing a large role in the agriculture development and human welfare.
- To minimize over-straining in the day-to-day activities those require funding.

## FEASIBILITY

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Items indicating the feasibility<sup>3</sup> of the project include:

- There is a very large land space donated already<sup>4</sup> and adequate for the full operation of the project
- The Farm Houses (Rearing Houses) will be constructed in the south of the Country where peace is eminent.
- The Veterinary services are available from Makerere University, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, and Pathology Department.
- Uganda has a high demand for eggs and chickens. But in this regard, all the chickens will be sold to Hotels and Government Aided Schools that have illustrated great interest. The eggs will be exported to Rwanda and on a local market still.
- This Project will provide \$3,000 per month for 3 years. This implies that \$108,000 will be yielded from the Project to support the neediest society of the war torn zone.
- There is currently no project of this kind throughout the Country targeting this vulnerable group. The Uniqueness and originality of this program has been designed to serve as a Model to inspire new initiatives all over Uganda.
- This Poultry Farm of 2000 chickens (broilers) is to cater for HIV/AIDS Orphans, albino girls, sexually abused girls who are regarded as outcasts and all war victims.
- We have experienced workers (volunteers) who will attend to the chickens and monitor the progress of the project from the beginning of the operational phase.
- Materials like: Wheelbarrows, Tanks, Jerricans, Hoes, Spades, 16,000 Bricks are already available to facilitate in this Project.

## PERSPECTIVES AND SUSTAINABILITY OF THE PROJECT

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While A Chicken and Egg Production Facility would make a significant contribution to food security, more food production and income generation interventions will be required for programming and expansion of this project. We observe that the sustainability of this program may depend on the capability of the community to develop and expand the food production beyond the level of mere subsistence of the community.

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<sup>3</sup> The Divine Mission International is capable of raising \$13,205 to accomplish the Budget.

<sup>4</sup> One acre was donated to the first phase of the Farm Project, but the entire program calls for at least 2 more acres.

The enduring impact is reliant on community members' enthusiasm and capacity to keep applying their educational training, maintaining their gardens, and expanding their food production beyond subsistence. The fact that the project was set originally in the context of a motivated, responsible group somewhat may mitigate the potential risk.

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### EXTERNAL RISKS

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Any Agricultural project or initiative have inherent risks of crash or malfunction due to the action of disease, pests and weather, and consequently the Model farm would count on the possibilities of these occurrences.

The same way, There is always an inherent risk in volunteer groups of possible dissension amongst community members affecting the project's implementation and outcomes.

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### PROJECTED LIFE CHANGE

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The entire Outreach Program and particularly the Model Farm hold the depth, intensity and stability in that it has the potential to impact positively and consequently to ripple on the economic, social, psychological, physical and vocational aspects of the beneficiaries' lives.

Allowing the displaced children to be actively participants of the instrument of collective change can have a strong effect of personal empowerment, the sense of belonging to a social community therefore leading them to be again a vital part of the fabric of this community. The emphasis of this initiative is INTEGRATION, thus making possible the interaction of the children with a variety of different generational elements of the community: teachers, volunteers, prospective consumers, and potential employers.



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## MODEL FARM PROJECT

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Humanity Healing Foundation understand that the best way to support the enormous amount of children in dire need in Uganda is to develop a Model Farm, where the children can receive assistance, vocational orientation, some educational help , but foremost the possibility to restore hope and meaning to their lives.

The Farm Project was originally conceived in phases that are independent but interconnected.

This model was adopted in order to preview further expansions as it develops and consequently can enlarge itself to accommodate needs and variations of demands.





## PHASE 1: CHICKEN AND EGG PRODUCTION FACILITY

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The Poultry Farm project is part of sustainable agriculture/ microenterprise initiative. This project was developed for children who are displaced for reasons of War, Sexual traffic, or because they are HIV positive or have lost one or both parents to AIDS.

The idea of this project is not a cure for AIDS, nor will it eradicate extreme poverty, neither transforms those children situation over night. What it may accomplish and what we have seen it do is offer the children we are assisting:

1. A supplemental income for medical and school fees
2. A supplemental diet for improved nutrition
3. The possibility to build an education on self sustainability
4. Empowerment and self reliance
5. Bringing back hope for the future and Possibilities

In addition, this project will provide a steady generation of income to help and support Thousand of War Children from North Uganda<sup>5</sup>



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<sup>5</sup> The Poultry Project has projected to provide approximately \$3,000 per month for 3 years. This implies that \$108,000 will be yielded from the Project to support the neediest society of the war torn zone.

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## PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

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### HOUSING

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The original Poultry Farm project includes the construction of 4 independent types of buildings: The Brooder House, a Feed store, a culling House and 5 rearing Houses.

A brooder is a building or room, which has the following features it can conserve heat being generated; i.e. it should not get cold quickly and can be sealed to keep out cold; will have adequate ventilation; e.g., windows and ventilators which can be opened and closed when necessary; it is leak proof; and the room allows for expansion as the chicks grow. The use of the brooder room will prevent rodents, the contact with vermin. The specific measures for this building will be 405cm<sup>2</sup>/per bird up to six weeks (for the laying chickens).

#### Rearing Houses: (Five Houses)

The ideal Rearing Houses of the project will be built to half walls and the rest to eaves made of wire netting. It is made of good roofing materials such as iron sheets to avoid leakage. They will be constructed in such a way that we minimize wetting on the inside by rain when the wind blows. The windward side will be the one where the short sides of the buildings face.

However, we can even fix there an extra overhang or some material like gunnysacks, which we can draw down in case the rain is going to fall. Therefore, the above features form a Rearing House; Roof; solid Walls made of block; Foot Bath at the entrance, and a Wire Netting system.

#### Culling House/Isolation Room

Only 1 Culling Room on the farm will be constructed on each Rearing House so that the birds are not mixed from the five different houses. This is for disease control measure when some birds are suspected to be unproductive, injured for pecking, and sometimes sick. The birds in the latter conditions are kept in an isolation room/Unit or sickbay where they are closely watched and treated, unless otherwise destroyed in case of a contagious disease.

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## FARM STRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT

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The farm structure and equipment of the project will include the following: nest boxes, feed troughs, water troughs, chicken handling crates, chick crates brooding equipment (as brooding shades) chick guards, de-beakers, rakes and others. This is part of the Project's inputs. However, some of those equipments are only applicable to Layers.

## OVERALL PROJECT COST

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### PHASE 1: CHICKEN AND EGG PRODUCTION FACILITY

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The overall cost for this phase of the project is: \$76.974 USD.

A Detailed Budget is available upon request.

## APPENDIX

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### BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE AREAS BEING ADDRESSED

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The economy of northeast Uganda<sup>6</sup> is dominated by pastoralism (cattle farming). Although agricultural production is apparent in some areas, this is normally a mixture known as "agro-pastoralism" (integrated cattle and crop farming). It should be noted that pastoralism is in decline due to the constant cattle raids by guerrilla groups such as the Lord's Resistance Army based in southern Sudan, as well as government and aid agency intervention which encourages the fencing off of land to discourage the traditional free-roaming of cattle.

Uganda's economy<sup>7</sup> is predominantly agrarian; 36% of the GDP, 81% of the employed labor force, and 31% of export earnings are derived from the agricultural sector. A total of 6,810,000 ha (16,828,000 acres), or one-third of the land area, is under cultivation. Subsistence production remains the pattern; 70% of the area under cultivation is used to produce locally consumed food crops.

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<sup>6</sup> <http://countrystudies.us/uganda/42.htm>

<sup>7</sup> The decline in agricultural production, if sustained, posed major problems in terms of maintaining export revenues and feeding Uganda's expanding population.

## UGANDA GENERAL FACTS

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<b>Country (long form)</b>	Republic of Uganda
<b>Capital</b>	Kampala
<b>Area</b>	236,040 sq km
<b>Population</b>	<b>(2007 est.):</b> 30,262,610
<b>Languages</b>	English (official), Luganda, Swahili, Bantu languages, Nilotic languages
<b>Religions</b>	Roman Catholic , Protestant , Muslim , indigenous beliefs
<b>Life Expectancy</b>	39.98 male, 40.6 female (1996)
<b>Infant mortality rate, 1997</b>	99 (per 1,000 live births)
<b>Average family income</b>	320 US\$
<b>Government</b>	republic
<b>Currency</b>	Ugandan shillings (USh)
<b>Industry</b>	sugar, brewing, tobacco, cotton textiles, cement
<b>Minerals and Resources</b>	copper, cobalt, limestone,

**Literacy rate:** 70% (2003 EST.)

**Economic summary: GDP/PPP** (2007 est.): \$29.04 billion; per capita \$900.

**Real growth rate:** 6.5%.

**Inflation:** 6.8%.

**Unemployment:** n.a.

**Arable land:** 22%.

**Agriculture:** coffee, tea, cotton, tobacco, cassava (tapioca), potatoes, corn, millet, pulses, cut flowers; beef, goat meat, milk, poultry.

**Labor force:** 14.02 (2007 est.) million;

Agriculture 82%, industry 5%, services 13% (1999 est.).

**Population** Growth rate: 3.6%); birth rate: 48.1/1000; infant mortality rate: 67.2/1000; life expectancy: 51.8; density per sq mi: 392