

There are over 3 million orphaned and vulnerable children in Uganda today. We believe that every child has the right to survival. Education and community programs are the key to our success.

LAHU - USA works with orphans and vulnerable children in Uganda to ensure they are attending school regularly in safe and sanitary conditions. We work to empower the community around our adopted schools so families can generate income to be self-sustaining and afford nominal school fees. We ensure these children are provided with lunch at school for proper learning.



When communities are empowered with the tools to prosper and be self-sufficient, lives are transformed.

All too often, nonprofits and NGOs with good intentions go into a rural community in Uganda and install infrastructure or social institutions where the local community is not involved in the process. This creates a situation in which the community is disempowered and untrained in basic operations, including repairs or regular maintenance. These projects usually fall apart within just a few years. LAHU - USA empowers communities and schools with projects that they take ownership in on day one. LAHU - USA doesn't create projects that we think will help alleviate poverty, we support projects that the community believes will work and be sustainable.



- **LAHU - USA** helps a family or community get the project off the ground, after which the community fully takes over.
- **LAHU - USA** team member periodically checks in on each project to make sure that communities have the knowledge and support necessary to maintain and grow.
- **LAHU - USA** does not create projects that we think will help just in the short term, we support projects that the community believes will work and be sustainable.

Ongoing LAHU - USA Projects & Programs Include:

- **Education Program:** Education is essential for the future of these children. LAHU - USA currently works with 2 schools outside of the city center in the Gangu and Mwerere districts.
- **Health and Nutrition Program:** Making sure that children are healthy and fed is key to their wellbeing and scholastic success.
- **Water Project:** Running water and new bathrooms are essential for the students of the Mwerere C/U Primary School 45 minutes outside Kampala, allowing the children to learn in sanitary conditions.
- **Lunch Program:** Our pilot programs in Ganguu and Mwerere will be expanded through additional donors contributing \$10/month



to the cost of providing a meal for a child with the goal of increasing attendance rates and attention span.

- **Mushroom Project:** This project is the most profitable for our communities to date. Mushrooms are highly nutritious, relatively easy to cultivate, and sell well at market.
- **Rabbit Project:** This project has been hugely successful. Funds have helped build a larger and more secure rabbit hutch, allowing many families to participate and reap the benefits.



LAHU - USA was founded by Harriet Zaffoni in 2013. Born and raised in Uganda, she is all too familiar with the struggles present in daily life for many Ugandans and their families. She became involved in Lend a Hand Uganda's operations on the ground, and eventually started donating 10% of her company's sales from **Harkiss Designs** towards LAHU-USA. Now, she leads teams of volunteers in both Kampala and New York City.

LAHU - USA is run by a dedicated Board of Directors and volunteer members of the Tribal Council.



Lend a Hand Uganda - USA (LAHU)

VISION

LAHU - USA envisions a world in which every child attains the right to survival, protection, full development and expression, and realization of their potential.

MISSION

LAHU - USA's mission is to achieve improvements in the quality of life of orphans and vulnerable children through processes that inspire breakthroughs in the way that communities treat children.



You can help LAHU - USA and make a difference TODAY!

We are always on the lookout for skills, time, and resources, so please contact us!

Visit our website:

www.lahu-usa.org

to donate, learn about all of LAHU - USA's projects, our staff, upcoming events and more.

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*Improving the lives of Ugandan children
and their communities*

