

BE A GUARDIAN AND PUT A CHILD THROUGH SCHOOL

Dilamol Willy is an 11-year-old boy doing his 3rd grade at Nswanakudya Primary school. He comes from a family of three (3) where the sole guardian is his single mother. As one can imagine, obtaining all the essentials he needs for school creates a tug-of-war for the family's resources.

Despite being a physically challenged child as he uses clutches to walk to school, a minimum distance of 3 KM and not having all the support needed to be in school, Dilamol wants to be an engineer in future and this pushes him every day to go to school despite the obstacles he is facing. We identified Dilamol and connected him to a Lead Me Back Guardian to support him.

He received a full school uniform, school shoes, school bag, pens, pencils and school books. His mother expressed her gratitude and thanked the organization, our partners and the Lead Me Back Guardians who have impacted her son's life. She explained how the Bag-PACK donation has lifted a weight off her shoulders as she had challenges purchasing these key essentials for her son.



Every child has a right to education; not just any education but Quality Education. Receiving quality education goes as far as having a uniform, sufficient stationery such as books, pens, pencils, school bags and shoes constantly. Unfortunately for most children here in Zambia,



financial challenges have denied them the right to quality Education. Our project Guardian for a Year helps some of the vulnerable children in Zambia.

In our first year of operation, we have managed to provide sponsorship to vulnerable children in Mwinilunga, Lusaka and Ndola. In 2022 the organization partnered with more than 50 individual Guardians, Zambia National Commercial Bank (Zanaco), Liquid Intelligent Technologies and the Ministry of Education to implement this project. A total number of **1,210 books, 12,100 pens and pencils, 126 school shoes, 126 backpacks and 126 full school uniforms** were donated in ten (10) schools.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

Main Objective

- To identify 500 vulnerable school-going children and offer them sponsorship under the Bag Pack package (containing full school uniform, school stationery and other essentials) that will be sponsored by the Guardians.

Specific Objectives

- Link 500 vulnerable pupils and sponsors (guardians).
- Ensure pupils have essentials and can pursue their education unhindered Track progress of pupils and maintain correspondence with guardians

PUPILS

The pupils who are signed up under Guardian for a Year are vulnerable pupils who fail to have access to the items listed in the Bag Pack. The organization works hand in hand with different schools through the office of the Head Teacher and the Guidance and Counselling Teacher(s) to help identify the vulnerable children and place them in this project. The pupils for this year will be identified from the following towns: Mwinilunga, Lusaka, Kitwe, Ndola, Lufwanyama and Mumbwa.

The Organization will have a meeting with these children after they have been identified to make sure they meet the criteria of the project qualification and establish a good relationship between the pupils and the organization.

Willy is not the only child in Zambia who has been denied their right to have access to Quality Education. There are many children like him who don't have school uniforms, school bags, shoes, sufficient school books and other allowances that they need to pay to engage in practical subjects. Unfortunately, this number is increasing every day and for a developing country like Zambia, education is the most powerful weapon we can use to see progress and change.





Guardian for a Year through the bag pack offer will give an opportunity to some of these children a right to Quality Education accessible again.

CALL-TO-ACTION

There are many vulnerable children we have interviewed that still need our help. We may not be able to change everything, but we can start with the basics, and the basics make a world of difference. Would you be able to join us on this noble cause to help these future engineers, artists, teachers and athletes (the list goes on) have a solid foundation?

Become a Lead Me Back Guardian and Impact a Life

