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Come, let's transform lives together.

About us

Education & Development Opportunity – Uganda ([EDOU](#)) is a charity incorporated and operating in Uganda since 2009. The charity was founded by Brian Mutebi, a 26-year-old Ugandan who conceived a dream – a joyful burden on his heart – and held onto his faith to transform the lives of people in his community. Through the Brian Mutebi Dream Scholarship Fund, EDOU awards education scholarships to girls at risk of child marriage, survivors of violence, and orphans. Our work is deeply rooted in our conviction that we should take up the cause of strangers, be a father to the fatherless, and uphold man's primary responsibility to serve humanity, which allows us and our partners to transform lives.

Conceiving the Dream: *Brian's Story*

“Orphaned at 10 and brought up by my peasant grandmother and step-grandfather in a [poverty-stricken](#) rural Ugandan village, I nearly dropped out of school when they could no longer afford my school fees. Along this difficult journey, however, I met Good Samaritans who held my hand up. Thanks to their support through school, I became the first graduate in my village in 2007! My journey of grace made me understand that everyone needs a hand extended to them to realise their dreams. I wanted to do something that would make a real difference in people's lives. I conceived a [Dream](#), a joyful burden on my heart—joyful because the thought of transforming lives was pleasant to the mind, yet a burden because I didn't know how it would turn into a life-transforming reality. ‘Lord, how possible am I going to do this?’ I petitioned. God told me to use what I had. A pen and paper I had. I wrote down my dream. Convinced that education is key to transforming lives, I sold my land worth \$1,500 and established the [Brian Mutebi Dream Scholarship Fund](#).”

Our Impact: *Her Story*

The Brian Mutebi Dream Scholarship Fund has awarded 80 scholarships to students in [schools](#), technical colleges, and [universities](#) who otherwise had no hope of attaining an education. In Uganda, [one in three girls aged 15-19 years is either pregnant or has had a baby](#). Only one in 10 girls returns to school after giving birth, but married off underage, where they face a higher risk of domestic violence. The Brian Mutebi Dream Scholarships bestow upon them a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.

Lisa lived with her single mother, who struggled to care for her and her three siblings. Her father abandoned them in a rented house in a Kampala slum. “Knowing my mother could not afford my university education, I looked up scholarships. There is no single lead that I did not follow, but all of them were in vain. I lost all hope until I got an offer from EDOU to pay my tuition. I have never been so excited,” Lisa said. In 2015, Lisa was the first university recipient of the Brian Mutebi Dream Scholarship. In January 2020, she graduated from Makerere University with a Bachelor of Laws. Today, Lisa is pursuing an LLM in Germany.

Margaret was at risk of being married off after she and her three brothers dropped out of school due to a lack of school fees. Her parents are peasants in rural Uganda, and her mother was terminally ill for two years, which drained the meagre family income. “The land we leased from a neighbour was too small to farm. My relatives suggested to my parents that I should be married off, saying that it was a waste of money in the first place to take me to school. I was on the verge of being married off against my will. Then luck struck me. I got a scholarship from EDOU; it was God-sent! Now I have a bright future ahead of me.” Margaret was awarded the Brian Mutebi Dream Scholarship in 2019. She graduated from university in 2024.



Connect Willing Hearts to the Need

The [World Bank estimates](#) that Uganda could save up to USD 3 billion by 2030 if child marriages were eliminated, and the country's productivity would be much higher if girls delayed marriage until their 20s and acquired a skill and worked. Since its inception in 2009, EDOU has been [transforming lives in Uganda](#) by providing education and training opportunities to vulnerable young people in Uganda. That's our way of demonstrating love and compassion in the communities. The task, however, is too big to handle single-handedly. We seek to mobilise partners in individuals and institutions to raise USD 100,000 to keep these students in school and protect their futures. A **Partner** is one who makes a donation to support our scholarship program. An **Ambassador** shares this cause with people in their network and urges them to donate. Ambassadors connect willing hearts to the need.

We seek Partners and Ambassadors in the United States, Canada, Germany, the United Kingdom, Norway, Sweden, Finland, The Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria, Croatia, Estonia, Slovenia, Czechia, Slovakia, Spain, Australia, New Zealand, Poland, Denmark, Italy, Ireland, France, Poland, Hungary, Georgia, Portugal, Luxemburg, Liechtenstein, South Korea, and Japan. Partners and Ambassadors assist:

- Connect individuals, families, churches, philanthropists, companies, charities, and foundations to the charity and urge them to donate to the Brian Mutebi Dream Scholarship Fund.
- Organize fundraising events in their communities, cities, and countries, including organizing platforms where scholarship recipients can share their stories.
- Incorporate EDOU in their respective countries, as may be required by local laws or deemed necessary to facilitate effective fundraising and resource mobilisation efforts.
- Mobilize for the [Uganda Charity Tours](#), where Partners and Ambassadors visit Uganda annually to experience firsthand how their donations transform lives and carry out tourism expeditions in the Pearl of Africa, compounding a thrilling, memorable, life-transforming experience.

Partners and Ambassadors are recognised on the EDOU's Wall of Good Samaritans, documentaries, reports, and events, including the International Day of the Girl Child and the Day of the African Child.

Management and Governance

EDOU is governed by a Board of Directors and an Advisory Council comprised of experienced management, finance, and development professionals. The Board supervises the management team, which is led by the executive director. To ensure we live up to the promise of being good stewards of people's generosity, we have instituted a prudent financial management system that promotes transparency and accountability in the use of the resources we receive, including independent financial auditing of the books of accounts.

Knowledge Management

We apply robust knowledge management frameworks that document project activities and best practices, and we share reports with our partners. We use both mainstream and social media to share the impact of our work while respecting the privacy rights of our partners and beneficiaries.

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