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Expanding access to affordable prosthetic care for amputees in Liberia & Benin

Bridging healthcare gaps in hard-to-reach communities in Liberia & Benin through the provision of high quality prosthetic limbs

Duration: 1 year

STAND | We Walk Together

Registered in England, charity number 1211617 (previously 1158697)

Summary

This proposal addresses the severe lack of access to affordable prosthetic care in Liberia and Benin, where thousands of amputees are excluded from daily life due to high costs and underfunded healthcare. STAND aims to provide 90 amputees with refurbished prosthetic limbs, supporting local clinics to deliver low-cost, quality care and enabling individuals to regain mobility, independence, and community participation.

Who we are

STAND is a UK-based charity pioneering the reuse of discarded prosthetic limbs to restore mobility, dignity, and independence to amputees in sub-Saharan Africa. We collect high-quality prosthetic components—otherwise destined for landfill—from NHS hospitals and clinics across the UK and partners in Europe, North America, and Australia.

These limbs are dismantled, rigorously refurbished and delivered free of charge to rehabilitation centres across eight African countries, which removes the financial burden on users to cover the cost of expensive imported components.

What we do

Collect & recycle: We recover discarded prosthetic limbs from the UK, EU, North America, and Australia. Each year, we divert over £1 million in components from waste.

Refurbish: Our Bristol-based team of trained professionals dismantle, clean, and inspect limbs, ensuring they are safe and functional.

Deliver & support: We ship tailored component kits to partner clinics in eight African countries, where local prosthetists build limbs for those in need.

Train & strengthen: We fund training for prosthetic technicians—especially women and individuals with limb loss—and invest in upgrading clinics, community outreach, and peer-counselling.

Context Analysis

Prosthetic technology is a rarity in Liberia and Benin due to lack of national investment and international support. Amputees must travel to neighbouring countries to access prosthetics, adding a further cost to the already prohibitive cost of imported devices. Without prosthetics, individuals struggle with daily tasks, finding employment or engaging in long-term income-generating activities, which leads to a life of perennial social isolation. Our proposal seeks to bridge this gap by providing good quality refurbished prosthetic components, and supporting clinics to deliver quality, low-cost prosthetic care. By increasing accessibility and reducing financial barriers, we empower amputees to regain independence and participate fully in their communities.

Project Outputs

- Collect and refurbish 90 donated prosthetic legs in the UK to international standards.
- Ship and distribute 50 prosthetic legs to Benin and 40 to Liberia.
- Fit prosthetic legs to 90 amputees via partnerships with rehabilitation centres and provide follow-up care and maintenance.

Expected Outcomes

Within funding period

- 90 amputees regain mobility and independence.
- Data showing repairs & replacements demonstrates access to follow-up care.

Longer Term

- Increased amputee participation in education, employment and community life.
- Strengthened long-term capacity of local clinics.

Our partners

These trusted clinical rehabilitation facilities have been long term recipients of STAND's capability-building funding.



A2D Services
Benin



Ganta Rehab Centre
Liberia



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Total Budget

Activity

Budget (£)

Notes

Collecting and preparing limbs

2676

Sourcing, dismantling, cleaning, and refurbishing donated prosthetic limbs.

Workshop operations & volunteer engagement

1,578

Tools, materials, and travel to support safe, high-quality refurbishment.

Supply chain management

896

Overseeing stock, warehousing, customs admins and logistics planning

International Shipping and Delivery

1500

Freight costs, customs fees and in-country transport to partner clinics

Project management and Monitoring and Evaluation

896

Maintaining clinic and donor relationships, data collection and reporting.

Core costs

1254

Core systems, governance, and transparent communications.

TOTAL

8800