



IMPACT REPORT 2020





Welcome

2020 was a challenging year for everyone due to COVID, but that did not stop us from impacting the lives of our children and their families. As you will read in this report, we were able to continue providing meals to the children we serve and support home learning. We also got the opportunity to engage in the community of Kibera by creating awareness about the virus and providing handwashing stations accessible to anyone.

With our normal programmes closed a large part of the year, we were also able to use the time to equip our staff to support our children better when programmes resumed.

The year, as difficult as it was, proved to us that anything is possible if you put your mind to it. With prayer, great teamwork and community support we were able to stand by our beneficiaries and continue to inspire hope. We are thankful to God for carrying us through the year.

Moving forward, our prayer is that 2021 will be a better and brighter year as we build on what we learnt in 2020.

Thank you our dear friends for standing with us in prayer and financially through the year. We would not have made such an impact without your support. To my colleagues, you did it again! Your teamwork and dedication made it all possible.

Judy Akoth
CEO



Our vision is to see vulnerable families and children living in Nairobi's informal settlements achieve their full God-given potential

Mission

We aim to provide access to quality education through our Kianda Children's Centre, Fountains of Hope School, and Secondary School support.

We aim to offer children learning resources and opportunities through our Community Library.

We aim to develop friendships with all the families we work with and demonstrate God's love through practical support.

Goals

Our mission is to demonstrate God's heart for the poor through programmes that relieve poverty, transform lives and restore hope amongst vulnerable families and children in Nairobi's informal settlements.

Our Values

Whenever you face challenges that force you to change your plans, it's important to dig deep into your values and let them guide your way forward. In 2020, our plans flew out of the window and we had to make tough choices about how best to respond to the unfolding events caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

As we look back over the impact we achieved in 2020, it's helpful to see how our values guided our actions.



Holistic

We aim to see the people we serve develop physically, socially and spiritually.



Relational

We value relationships because so much positive change can occur through strong, caring relationships



Hopeful

We aim to inspire hope by pointing people to Jesus and to the innate potential He has planted in them



Turning Point Programmes

From January to March 2020, we ran our normal programmes as outlined below. After the 13th March we closed all of these programmes in line with the government's directives to curb the spread of coronavirus.



School Transition Programme

A one-year remedial programme preparing out-of-school children academically and socially to return to formal education.



Chemi Chemi Ya Tumaini Primary School

Providing free quality education to over 140 vulnerable children in Kibera

Laini Saba Community Library

Provides learning resources and learning support to primary school children. Serves children from 56 different schools in and around Kibera.



Secondary School Support

A cost-sharing programme with parents to assist children graduating from Chemi Chemi Ya Tumaini School to attend the secondary school of their choice.

Coronavirus Response

With our normal programmes closed, our challenge was how to continue providing holistic support to the children and families we serve, how to sustain our relationships with those families and how to point people to Jesus to find hope amidst the difficulties. We responded to these challenges in the following practical ways:

Food Vouchers

We provided weekly food vouchers to over 130 families. The children who attend programmes normally receive two free meals a day at school, the food vouchers helped families provide meals for these children at home.

Home Learning

50% of our students could not access any of the learning provisions found on the radio, TV or online. We supported 150 children to continue learning at home by sending printed school work home.

Wellbeing Support

We also supported children's mental wellbeing. Our social workers checked-in regularly with each family and met in-person with children from particularly difficult home situations. Meanwhile, children took part in the My Home, My Playground Campaign by Futbolmas. This programme provided activity packs with life-skills lessons and ideas for games to play at home.



Two Young Carers

Delina and Paul are two amazing young people who have stepped up to care for their families when their parents were overwhelmed by the difficulties that 2020 presented.

Meet Delina, a fun-loving and happy young girl. She's the firstborn of three children and lives with her mother. Delina's father left home during the COVID-19 outbreak, deserting the family when her mother was expecting a baby. Delina's mother gave birth then later began experiencing complications. This left Delina no choice but to care for her sick mother, younger sibling, and newborn baby.



The 10-year-old cleans, cooks, washes clothes and takes care of everyone at home. The weekly food vouchers we provided relieved some of the hunger and worry for this family. Delina normally attends our Transition Class to catch up with

her studies. She is very active both in class and outside. She has a strong positive will to make it through life.

Paul is the firstborn of the three children in his family too. Before coronavirus, Paul had been out of school for a whole year nursing his single mother who had been bedridden after falling ill. Then, during the first wave of the Coronavirus in Kenya, Paul's mother left home deserting him and his siblings. Being the responsible 15-year-old he is, he took care of his siblings until his grandmother stepped in to look after them. Our social workers checked in regularly with Paul and his family throughout this time.

Paul's mother came back home after a while and took Paul and his siblings back home. His mother continues to struggle, so Paul still takes care of his siblings. Paul is

enrolled in our Transition Class. Despite the things he has gone through, he strives to achieve the best in life. Paul is a bright young scientist and a keen footballer. He hopes to be an engineer one day in the future.



Community Efforts

With your help, we joined the community effort to curb the spread of coronavirus by setting up 19 free handwashing points around Kibera serving around 665 people per day. Our students' parents supplied 120 litres of soap each week for the stations. We partnered with local small business owners who looked after the handwashing stations and encouraged people to use them.

"It has been very helpful to the whole community. Not only do people coming to my stall wash their hands, but also children and people who pass by," says Evans, a food stall owner running one of the stations.

We were grateful for the community spirit of these business people. Shopkeeper Nuria captured it well, saying, "the lesson that this season has taught us all is that we should be cautious of our surroundings and take care of ourselves. We should spread the word and enlighten one another."

We provided reusable masks to all the families we serve.

We distributed 273 posters around Kibera with trusted information on coronavirus from the Kenyan Ministry of Health and World Health Organisation.



19
handwashing
stations



750
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Investing In Our Team

In September, we partnered with The Red Pencil Humanitarian Mission, Uweza Foundation and Edinboro University in Pennsylvania to run an online training course to equip our team to improve wellbeing support for the children. The training, conducted by art therapists, equipped the staff to use art therapy tools and techniques to care for their students' mental health as they also invest in their own self-care.

One teacher shared "I have learnt practical ways to use art to help students communicate their emotions. I can create a safe space for children to express themselves and thrive." Our Children's Pastor reflected on the benefit to our frontline staff team, saying, "the training has shed more light on self-care and how to self-regulate. In taking care of ourselves, we won't

be fatigued through our work."

In November, we partnered with ZiziAfrique to train our teaching team in Accelerated Learning. ZiziAfrique developed the Accelerated Learning Programme for children who have fallen behind in reading and maths. They armed our teachers with new games and activities to help children catch up in literacy and numeracy. We work with children who have been out of school for a long time, some have been out of school for years. Catching up in reading and maths is the starting point for catching up in all other subjects.

ALP Programme Manager Virginia Ndirungu noted that "Turning Point is our newest baby on this journey as we strengthen foundational learning." We are grateful for the ongoing support from the ALP team as we put our learning into practice.



"It has been such a pleasure for The Red Pencil Humanitarian Mission to partner with The Turning Point Trust, Uweza Foundation and Edinboro University to bring the benefits of art therapy to children in Kibera. Thank you for your flexibility and resilience to persevere with this project despite Covid-19 cutting across our original plans. This has been a valuable learning experience."

Heather Woodward

International Operations Manager

Financials

Total Revenues

Ksh30,095,867 | £214,970

Local 14%

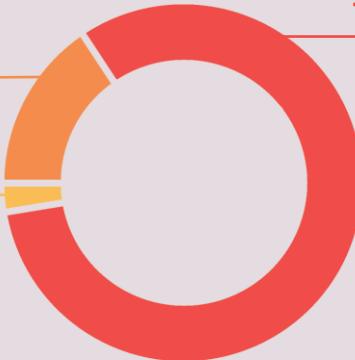
Ksh4,358,694 | £31,134

International 9%

Ksh2,603,799 | £18,599

TPUK 77%

Ksh23,133,374 | £165,238



Total Expenses

Ksh31,268,855 | £223,349

Admin 19%

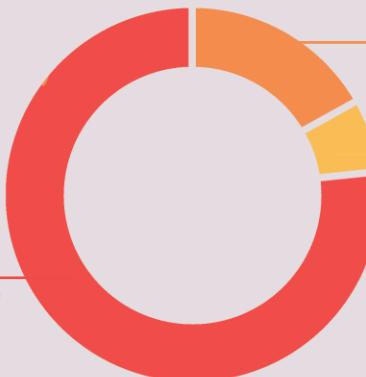
Ksh5,860,444 | £41,860

Fundraising 5%

Ksh1,656,129 | £11,829

Project 76%

Ksh23,752,282 | £169,659



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