



the pay it forward foundation 
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building a better world together

Annual Report

2011



The Year 2011 was a year of challenges worldwide and they did not leave the PiFF unscathed. With rising debt and falling incomes, most people worldwide cut down on any “unnecessary” expenditures to save an extra coin. The PiFF saw less funds, activities and participation as a result of this toxic environment but we also experienced the resilience of the human spirit. A good number of people, despite their own struggles, were able to look beyond themselves and still reach out to those in need. A number of PiFFers and PiFFettes were on hand to give out hugs, smiles, a pat on the back, a book, a pencil, a dollar, a cloth and many more for nothing more than the kinship of the human spirit. To them and to all those who were able to find the strength to be kind to someone else in these dark economic and social times, we say thank you.

2011 may have been a year of challenges, but it was also a year of humanity.

Thank you and keep *paying it forward*.

Businge Abid Were
Chairman



Board of Trustees



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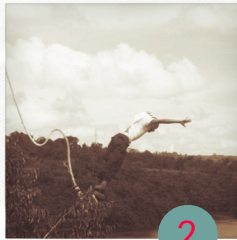
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1. *Chairman* - Abid Businge Weere
2. *Vice Chairman* - William Nagaga
3. *Secretary* - Rebecca Wana Abonyo
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7. *Coordinator* - Raymond Kukundakwe



Projects and Activities

Annual General Meeting

On 19th March 2011, The Pay It Forward foundation had its first annual general meeting at Ache Havana, Centenary Park. The meeting was organised by The Kindness Drive Group.

It was attended by 37 members and other well-wishers. The guest of honour was John Mark Winfield, the Deputy Mission Director USAID, and a former Peace Corps volunteer.

The guest of honour expressed his excitement at being invited to be part of the PiFF. He informed the members that he'd visited the Foundation website and read through the literature; including the annual report and that he was happy with what he'd seen. He expressed his interest in being a member of the PiFF and encouraged us to keep him in the know as regards PiFF progress. He said that our cause was a labour of love and that we should continue to do good in spite of the odds.



The main purpose of the AGM was to elect a new board of trustees.

The outgoing board of trustees was as follows:

Chairman:	Abid Were
Vice Chairman:	Raymond Kukundakwe
Secretary:	Becky Wana Abonyo
Treasurer:	Diana Ssali
Asst. Treasurer:	Paul Akitwine
Coordinator:	Solomon King Benga
Public Relations:	Rosette Nagimesi
Legal Counsel:	Paul Katuramu



The PiFF constitution was read out for all members to comment upon and submit any feedback or amendments.

PiFF members were updated on the projects undertaken in the inaugural year as well as current projects and encouraged to participate actively.

A new Board of Trustees was elected:

Chairman:	Abid Were
Vice Chairman:	William Nagagga
Secretary:	Rebecca Wana Abonyo
Treasurer:	Paul Akitwine
Project Coordinator:	Raymond Kukundakwe
Asst. Project Coordinator:	Fredrick Tumusiime
Legal Counsel:	Winnie Nankya

A fundraising auction was carried out and members formally introduced themselves to each other at the end of the meeting.





SMDPS Book Club

In May of 2011, the Knowledge for All (KFA) working group, under the leadership of Rebecca Wana Abonyo, established a book club at Sister Mariam Duggan Primary School.

Sister Mariam Duggan Primary School is located in Kamwokya II parish on the outskirts of the Central Business District of Kampala, the capital city of Uganda.

The school has a three storey block of classrooms with modern facilities conducive for the education of children.

It began as a street children prevention strategy by Kamwokya Christian Caring Community and the Franciscan Missionary Sisters for Africa in 1987.

Since then, it has educated over 2000 children and given them the opportunity for a brighter future.

The school mission is to improve the quality of life of children in Kamwokya II parish and the surrounding areas so as adequately prepare them for participation in their economies and in the development and maintenance of their society.

The school is managed by a school management committee which is headed by Mr. Mbazira Francis who is also the chairman of the school board.

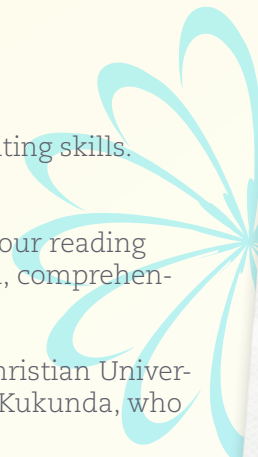
The head teacher is Mr. Kiwanuka Stephen and is deputised by Ms Mukyala Harriet.

The objectives of the Book Club are to

- Develop a reading culture among the pupils.
- Improve pupils' English language reading and writing skills.
- Improve the SMDPS library

PiFF volunteers interact with the pupils during daily one hour reading sessions (one class per day) and teach them pronunciation, comprehension, spelling, dictionary skills, etc.

The PiFF was happy to receive two interns from Uganda Christian University Mukono, Miss Sharon Mary Nansasi and Miss Sandra Kukunda, who were very active in this and other projects.





Hugathon

On the 25th of June 2011 the PiFF held a 'Free Hugs' drive dubbed the 'Hugathon'. The primary objective was to rebuild team spirit and also spread the idea of paying it forward.

It was conceived and run by the Kindness Drive Group under the leadership of Becca Schwartz.

PiFF volunteers, donning free hugs t-shirts and carrying placards to the same effect descended on Garden City Shopping Mall on Saturday, 25th June 2011 and gave out free hugs.

The 'Free Hugs' drive is to become an annual fixture on the PiFF social calendar.



SMDPS Sports Day

On the 30th day of July 2011, the PiFF took part in the sports day celebrations at Sister Mariam Duggan Primary School (SMDPS).

The PiFF provided items to be used as prizes for the various sports events the kids were involved in and also facilitated 'Breakdance Project Uganda' which performed on the day.

Breakdance Project Uganda (BPU) started in February 2006 out of the belief that hip hop can be used as a tool to engage and empower disadvantaged youth in Kampala and other areas of Uganda. Its mission is to engage young people in elements of the hip hop culture to build leadership skills and promote social responsibility.

The Project has attracted people from every walk of life and acts as a catalyst for building mutually beneficial relationships between people of different social status across Uganda and the rest of the world. It serves to teach people breakdancing and how to pass on those skills to others, as well as promoting leadership skills, social responsibility and positive change to members and local communities.

The project was organised by the Knowledge for All group led by Rebecca Wana Abonyo and Joan Komugisha.



Oasis of Life

What We Have Learned

Food First

It costs 60,450/= per day (1,813,500/= per month) to provide food for the 54 orphans and caretakers at the Oasis of life orphanage.

Spirit

It is important to step back and renew your spirit and energy after a while. The Oasis of Life project has suffered from a waning of spirit more than anything.

We have learned that it is important for members to be honest with themselves and each other and know when they are being stretched too far; to speak up and ask for help when it is needed, for that is why we are a group.

Can do. Will do

We can achieve the things we set out to. It starts with one step, followed by another and another one til we arrive at our destination.

The Oasis of Life for Africa (OLA) is an orphanage located in Natete, a suburb of Kampala. Founded in 2001 by Henry Nsubuga and the Living Word Temple church of the same area, it is currently home to over 50 orphans.

The orphanage is supported by members of the local community through the church and well intentioned individuals like you.

The Pay It Forward Foundation Uganda (PiFF) partners with the Oasis of Life orphanage offering support to the children. The PiFF's objectives were:

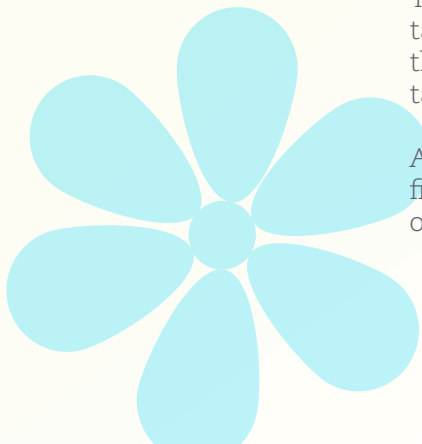
- **Food Security**

As a temporary solution to the food security problems, the PiFF attempted to make predetermined monthly donations of food to the orphanage. These were to be sourced from members' contributions and any other sources that availed themselves. The plan was to do this for the duration of one year beginning April 2011.

- **Access to Health Services**

The PiFF was to provide transportation for the orphanage to take the sick children to Mulago hospital for treatment.

A fully stocked first aid box and first aid training for the caretakers of the orphanage was to be pro-



A Way of Life

Kindness is a way of life. It grows and develops the more you practice it in your daily life. It is much more than the giving of the material, it is the sharing of yourself with those around you.

It begins with being kind to yourself, to your body, soul and spirit and emanates outwards like a glowing sun touching all that you come across.

Be kinder.

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The PiFF was to provide basic health education and other incidentals for the children at the orphanage.

•Education

The PiFF planned to provide school dues for the pupils and students of the orphanage and actively seek better education opportunities for the children.

The PiFF planned to provide scholastic materials

The PiFF planned to set up extra-curricular activities for the children at the orphanage.

Over the past year, the PiFF made one delivery of food items, provided a first aid box and delivered several other items (second hand clothes, etc.) to the orphanage. The PiFF also partook of the annual Christmas party for the orphanage which was organised by Make the Children Smile.

The PiFF has encountered several challenges in trying to achieve the objectives of the Oasis of Life group. It has thus been unable to meet its objectives. It is however the intention of the working group to undertake this project again with a different approach, a new perspective.

Fundraising Party

On the 10th of December 2011, the PiFF held its third annual Fundraising party at Isha's Gallery, a quaint little gallery/bar tucked away in Kamwokya.

Funds raised went towards the Knowledge for All and Oasis of Life working groups.

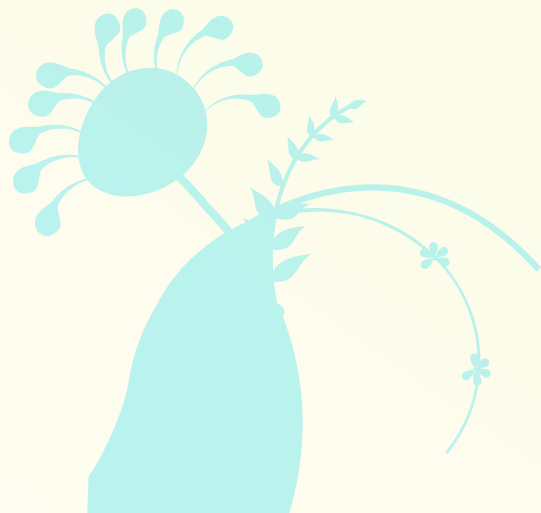
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Over the course of the coming year, the PiFF will focus its energies on the following projects.

- Sister Mariam Duggan Primary School Book Club
- Free Hugs
- Oasis of Life
- Schools Chess Clubs

Focus will be put on developing an effective operational and partnership model that will allow individuals, groups, institutions and other organisations to partner and work with the foundation.

The PiFF will continue to encourage its member's and the wider world to actively pay it forward and make it an integral part of their ethos.



PIFF FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT June 30th, 2012 FOR THE YEAR 2011 - 2012

Cash and Cash Equivalents	2011 SHS
Cash in Bank B/Fwd from 2010 -2011	1,450,000.00
Total Cash B/Fwd	1,450,000.00
Liabilities:	
Loan repayment to Treasurer	450,000.00
Total Liabilities	-
Reserve	
Permanently restricted (Minimum Threshold)	500,000.00
Total Reserve	500,000.00
Net Income from operations	786,500.00
Net Worth	2,236,500.00

INCOME STATEMENT

Revenue and Other Support:	SHS
Contributions towards Sr.Miriam Duggan Sports Day	220,000.00
Special events AGM earnings	412,500.00
Membership dues	950,000.00
Book Auction	50,000.00
Member Donations	
General Donations	2,220,000.00
AGM Donation	230,500.00
End of Year party	122,500.00
Special Drives	240,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	4,445,500.00

EXPENSES

Oasis of Life:	
Food Support to Oasis of Life Orphanage	1,710,000.00
Celebratory Cake for Christmas 2011	55,000.00
Sr.Miriam Duggan Primary School	
Support to Sir Miriam Duggan Sports Day	204,500.00
AGM Expenses:	
Annual General Meeting Organization	624,500.00
Apparel Production Cost	55,000.00
Pig Farm	
Monthly Maintenance Costs (Jan-July)	326,000.00
Management and general	
Transport Refunds	80,000.00
ID Production	40,000.00
Clothes cleaning	40,000.00
Board Resolution certification	50,000.00
Bank charges	24,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,209,000.00