



# HOPE CENTER UGANDA

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## ANNUAL REPORT





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Our mission is rescuing abused, abandoned and orphaned children of Uganda and restoring their path toward a future in a Christ-centered home.

The HOPE Center orphanage cares for approximately 30 children on average. The children will either be rehabilitated and reunited with competent family members, or will stay at HOPE Center until adopted or aged out of the system. We have built a great rapport with local police who bring the worst orphan cases to HOPE; any child who has been abandoned, injured, or is sick is brought to HOPE Center Uganda and we gladly take them in.

Our hope is to provide a loving home for the children while we search for their forever family! This can either be competent family members or loving members of the community that want to adopt or foster the children. Either way, we do extensive research and training with these families to make sure the children are placed in a safe and loving environment where they will be cared for and loved!



# ABOUT HOPE CENTER UGANDA



# CHILD STATISTICS 2020

In 2020, we started out the year with 29 children at the center. Throughout the year, we took in 10 children. We were also able to resettle 10 children with trusted family members or foster homes. So by the end of the year, we ended with 29 children.

Children who were resettled:

- Faith
- Esther N.
- Simon
- Victor
- Hassan
- Jonah
- Miriam D.
- Timothy
- Hope N
- Calvin

*Start of 2020:*

29

children

*Children taken In:*

10

children

*Children Resettled:*


10

children

*End of 2020:*

29

children



**Our goal is to resettle children with responsible family members or find families looking to foster or adopt children so they can grow up in a loving, caring home!**

# FINANCIAL SUPPORT 2020

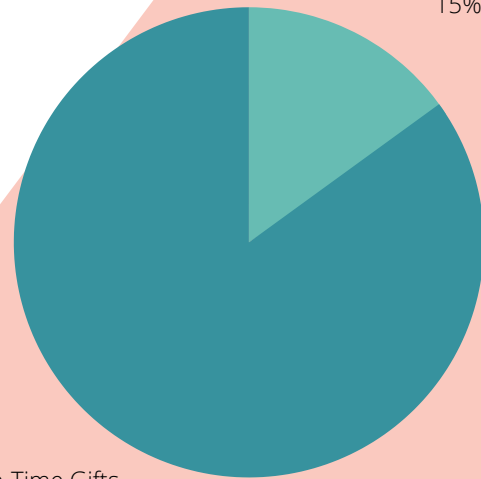
The Hope Center Uganda is 100% funded by donations from our incredible donors from all across the US and the world!

In 2020, only 15% of our total donations were from recurring, monthly donations. That only covers around 25% of our monthly operating costs (see pg. 6).

Our goal is to ultimately have our monthly operating costs fully covered by recurring, monthly donations so that one-time gifts can be used for special projects, extraneous expenses, educational opportunities, community outreach, and future expansions of the Center.

A majority of our recurring donors are sponsoring a child, but you can also setup a recurring plan for any dollar amount without a child sponsorship.

**TOTAL RAISED:**  
**\$104,491.87**



One-Time Gifts  
85%

Recurring Gifts  
15%

Only 15% of our annual contributions are from recurring, monthly donors.

<https://www.hopecenteruganda.org/donate>





# DONOR BREAKDOWN 2020



## States Represented:

Arizona, California, Colorado, Washington DC, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Massachusetts, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin

*Total Donors:*

**327**

*New 1st-Time Donors:*

**227**

*States Represented:*

**20**

*Countries Represented:*

**8**

*Average Donation  
Amount:*

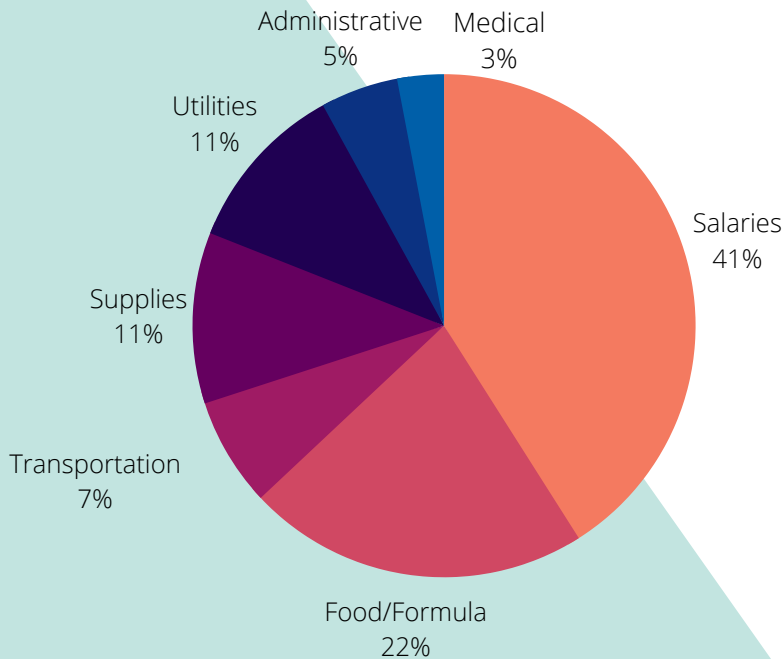
**\$89.51**

**+227**

**1st-TIME DONORS  
IN 2020**



# FINANCIAL SPENDING 2020 - OPERATIONS



The Board of Directors works as hard as possible to keep our operating admin expenses as low as possible (5%) so a majority of our donations can go directly to the Center in Uganda.

Each month, our Operating expenses average around \$6,000. This number varies due to cost of goods fluctuating often in Ugandan markets. We also have to contend with the \$ exchange rate swinging wildly at times.

Around 40% of that is spent on our outstanding in-country staff at the center of caretakers, cooks, security, child welfare, and management.

The other major expense is for food/formula. This amount changes depending on how many babies vs. toddlers we have at the center.

On the US side, our Board is completely volunteer positions and the administrative costs are for our website, marketing materials, donor communications, software and other fees.

Funds that are raised above and beyond our operating expenses go towards special projects at the center.

## 25 staff

The Hope Center Uganda employs 25 Ugandans at the center, providing a salary, transportation to and from work, meals, and some child care as needed.





# FINANCIAL SPENDING 2020 - PROJECTS

## New Drainage

Throughout 2020 we added additional drainage trenches around the center. This allows water to flow freely away from the center and stop erosion of the property.

Cost - \$1400

## Ceiling Project

Our main building did not have ceilings in any of the rooms, just an open roof structure. We were able to add solid ceilings in each room to help keep temperatures consistent and seal out inclement weather.

Cost - \$1900

## Latrine Project

Our old latrine was falling apart and not a sanitary facility any more. We built a completely new latrine with men's and women's toilets and showers for the staff and visitors.

Cost - \$2000

## Land Purchase

A large plot of land adjacent to the center became available in early 2020. Thanks to a couple generous donors, we were able to purchase this land and are developing plans for center expansion and a self-sustaining food plot.

Cost - \$7200

These projects are just a small sampling of the improvements that were made at the center during 2020. We were also able to hire on additional staff, including a full-time director, Mia Cannedy, who has been an invaluable addition to the Hope Center. If you would like more information regarding special projects and plans for future projects, please visit our Special Projects page on our website: [www.hopecenteruganda.org](http://www.hopecenteruganda.org).



# 2021 GOALS

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In 2021 we are increasing our fundraising goal to \$120,000. This increase will help facilitate a couple new expansions and projects at the center including:

- A new van for transportation
- Additional Staff (caretakers, medical and educational)
- Enhanced communications with donors
- Faith building efforts in the community and center
- Hiring a pastor for the center and the community
- Developing farm land for self-sustaining food source

In addition to those planned changes, we are also noticing a shift in the age of our children at the center towards more infants, which has a higher cost due to more formula, diapers, and caretakers needed to provide the best care for these younger little ones.

## THE FUTURE

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Looking further down the road of The Hope Center's future, we see an increase in providing educational opportunities for those in the community, including: parenting classes, basic finance classes, religious services, and safe community activities.

We also would like to expand the operations of the center to allow us to care for more children at one time. This would involve building and staffing expansions, as well as modifying our license with the government to allow for more children to be at the center.

Continuing to build relationships with the local population and governments will always be a priority so we can continue to make the greatest impact possible in the Mityana district and hopefully work towards reducing the number of children being abused and abandoned in the first place.