



Bread and Water for Africa[®]
Providing a Brighter Future for Africa's Children



BREAD AND WATER FOR AFRICA® MISSION

The mission of Bread and Water for Africa® is to promote positive changes in Africa by supporting and strengthening grassroots initiatives for community self-sufficiency, health and education.

Photo: Tea time at Lewa Children's Home, Kenya ©2013





MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings Friends and Supporters!

The following pages of the Bread and Water for Africa® fiscal year 2014 Annual Report highlight our mission in action and the impact it has made on the lives of thousands of orphaned and abandoned children, families and entire communities in countries throughout sub-Saharan Africa.

Since our formation in 1997, Bread and Water for Africa® has worked diligently to fund programs that offer creative solutions to meet the needs of those struggling to survive in the most difficult circumstances. In particular, we support relief work that is self-sustaining. Funding projects and programs that become self-sufficient after our initial investment better enables Bread and Water for Africa® to finance new and innovative ventures across the entire continent while simultaneously empowering local communities to become free of long-term dependence on outside assistance.

Supporters such as you make it possible for Bread and Water for Africa®, working with our program partners in the local communities of countries including Cameroon, Ethiopia, Kenya, Sierra Leone, Zimbabwe, Zambia and others, to positively impact the lives of tens of thousands of Africans.

In particular this year, our efforts have been directed to abatement of the devastating impacts of the Ebola crisis that is ravaging much of western Africa. Our hearts go out to those heroic healthcare workers in West Africa who are literally putting their own lives on the line saving victims of the deadly Ebola virus, and we join with the rest of the world in prayer that this tragic outbreak will end soon.

My greatest joy is hearing of the individual success stories of children and mothers whose lives have been saved at health clinics we support, of food and shelter for orphaned and abandoned children, and of opportunities for education and employment for adults who today can look forward to a bright future. It is my pleasure to be able to share just a few of those stories in the pages that follow.



Photo: Bread and Water for Africa® Executive Director, Bethelhem Tessema

I extend my deep gratitude and appreciation to our steadfast supporters for placing their trust in Bread and Water for Africa® and partnering with us to reduce poverty — and save lives — through their generosity, commitment and compassion for those who they will never meet living halfway around the world. I look forward to your continued partnership to build a future filled with hope for Africa's children. On behalf of the Board of Directors, our Volunteer International Spokesperson Phyllis Keino, our dedicated volunteers, staff, and, most importantly, the thousands of children and families we served in 2014, thank you for your ongoing support in 2015.

Sincerely,

Bethelhem Tessema
Executive Director

WHO WE ARE

Since its inception in 1997, Bread and Water for Africa® has been committed to promoting positive changes in Africa. Bread and Water for Africa® supports and strengthens impoverished communities and through our partnerships with local grassroots organizations, promotes self-sufficiency and improvements in health, education, agricultural practices and sustainable energy.



OUR PARTNERS

Cameroon

Hope Services
Hope Outreach Foundation

Ethiopia

Haramaya University Health Center
Yeteem Children and Destitute Mothers Fund

Kenya

Baraka Farm
Kipkeino Primary School
Lewa Children's Home

Sierra Leone

Christian Health Association of Sierra Leone
Faith Healing Development Organization
Ndegbornei Development Organization
United Methodist Church Development Office

Zambia

Kabwata Orphanage and Transit Centre

Zimbabwe

Shinga Development Trust

Photo: Yeteem's education program, Ethiopia ©2014



THE CHALLENGES

- Sub-Saharan Africa continues to shoulder the greatest burden of child mortality rates, where one in 11 children die before age five, nearly 15 times the average in developed countries (1 in 159).¹
- One third of young people in sub-Saharan Africa — more than 56 million people aged 15 to 24 — fail to complete primary school and lack skills for employment.²
- A woman in sub-Saharan Africa has a one in 16 chance of dying during pregnancy or during childbirth, compared to a risk of one in 4,000 in a developed country.³
- Water is life, but when it is unsafe and sanitation is non-existent, it can be deadly. Waterborne illnesses are the second leading cause of death for children under five in the world.⁴
- Malnutrition is linked to nearly half of all childhood deaths in less-developed countries.⁵

1 UNICEF, Child Survival Progress Report 2014

2 http://www.unesco.org/new/en/media-services/single-view/news/one_third_of_young_people_in_sub_saharan_africa_fail_to_complete_primary_school_and_lack_skills_for_work/#.VDgB9k3D_cs

3 <http://www.unicef.org/mdg/maternal.html>

4 <http://www.unicefusa.org/mission/survival/water>

5 <http://www.unicefusa.org/mission/survival/nutrition>



Bread and Water for Africa® wants Africa's children to thrive. Hope Services' clinic, Cameroon ©2013



Bread and Water for Africa® works with our local African partners to address womens' health care, especially as related to pregnancy and childbirth. Hope Services' clinic, Cameroon ©2013

OUR PROGRAMS



Bread and Water for Africa® programs span across Africa and each provides one more initiatives toward building healthy and sustainable communities.



Orphan Care Program

Provide loving homes for orphaned and abandoned children, including the basic necessities of food, clean water, and health care, and an education so they can build a better life as they enter adulthood.



Education Program

Offer quality education at preschool, primary and high school levels, as well as vocational training to give children and young adults the best opportunities for self-sufficiency.



Clean Water Program

Build clean water wells to provide life's most vital resource.



Food Security/Agriculture Program

Train individuals in sustainable farming methods to provide food for their families and surplus to sell at local markets.



Healthcare Program

Provide essential medicines, medical supplies and equipment in order to save lives.



Basic Relief Program

Provide basic relief support for unexpected disasters and crises such as the Ebola outbreak.



Income Generation Program

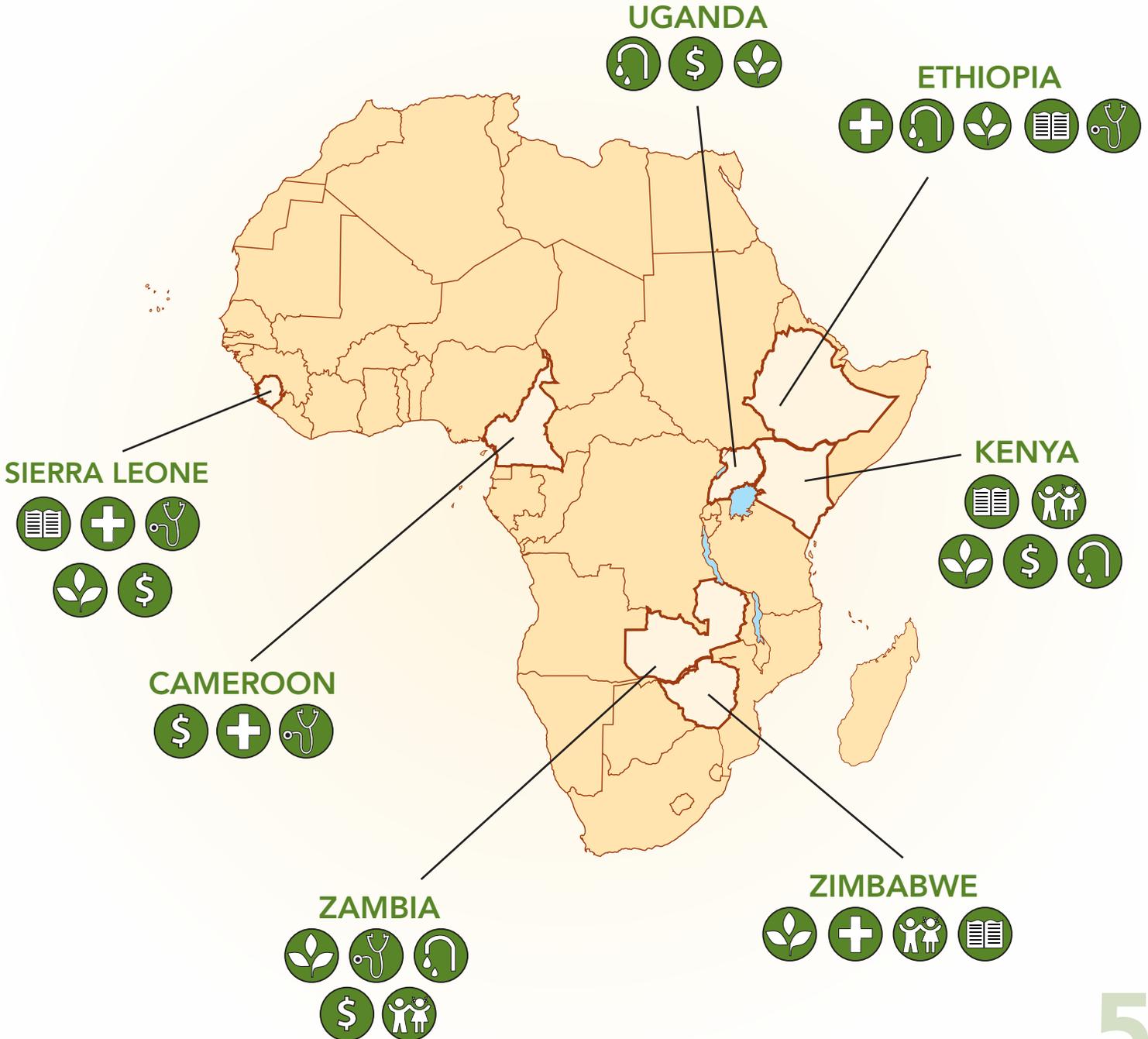
Provide the initial funding to our program partner to create an income generating project to help sustain their program's future funding needs.

Photo: Bo Clinic's newly constructed water well, Sierra Leone ©2014





WHERE WE WORK





ORPHAN CARE

For nearly two decades, Bread and Water for Africa® partners operating on the grassroots level in African villages and local communities have been working to provide loving homes for orphaned and abandoned children. This includes the basic necessities of food, clean water and health care, as well as an education so they can build a better life as they enter adulthood.

2014 ORPHAN CARE HIGHLIGHTS

107 orphaned and abandoned children live in the Lewa Children's Home where they receive food, health care, an education and a loving place to call home. *(Kenya)*

74 orphaned and abandoned children have a place to call home where all their basic needs are met, giving them hope for a healthy future. *(Zambia)*

400 children, most born with HIV, benefit from an orphan feeding program operated by Shinga Development Trust. *(Zimbabwe)*

Photo: Feeding program at Shinga, Zimbabwe ©2013



Dreams of a Bright Future

The only home twin sisters Tangu and Nyuma have ever known is the Kabwata Orphanage and Transit Centre in Zambia.

Born in 1999, the girls were brought to the orphanage following the death of their mother. The girls' only surviving family member is their older brother, Pyela, who also was raised at the orphanage.

When Tangu and Nyuma arrived at Kabwata they were only 16 months old, severely malnourished and on the verge of death.

Today, Kabwata founder and social worker, Angela Miyanda, is pleased to be able to report that Tangu and Nyuma are happy and healthy 15-year-olds doing well in their second year of secondary school. Both have big dreams for the future in the world of finance — Tangu wants to be a banker, Nyuma, an accountant.

Pyela completed college last year in water reticulation — the design, operation and maintenance of water distribution, storm water and wastewater collection systems. It comprises all the public pipeworks in a town or city, including pumping systems, access chambers and their construction and maintenance.

“The project will be 20 years old in 2014... We stand back and look at the older children who have managed to get somewhere in life when all hope was gone... Thank you for your kind hearts.”

*Angela Miyanda, Director
Kabwata Orphanage and Transit Centre*

Although their older brother is now out of the orphanage and working in a successful career, the family cannot yet be reunited and the girls remain living in the orphanage.



Photo: Tangu and Nyuma, Zambia ©2014

“Sadly, in Zambia today, due to sexual defilement, a woman who is not married cannot live with a brother because there has been a lot of sexual abuse between relations,” Angela told us. “The two girls must be over 18 years old to be permitted to live with their brother.”

With a good job and steady income, Pyela is able to help support his sisters at the orphanage knowing from his own experience they are in good hands and being well taken care of.

And, in the meantime, the girls have a loving home, nutritious meal, access to health care and are getting the education they need to join their brother in the workforce to become successful adults with bright futures — something almost unimaginable on that fateful day in 1999 when they arrived at the Kabwata orphanage.



HEALTH CARE

Access to adequate healthcare services in communities of sub-Saharan Africa is vital to the survival of residents there, especially infants and children under five and their mothers. The most common illnesses treated in fiscal year 2014 included malaria, typhoid, hypertension, gastritis, measles, respiratory tract infections and HIV/AIDS. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, Bread and Water for Africa® is able to provide our partners with life-saving medicines, medical supplies and equipment.

2014 HEALTH CARE HIGHLIGHTS

More than 52,000 children and adults received medical care from the Faith Healing Development Organization, the Ndegbornei Development Organization, and through the Christian Health Association of Sierra Leone clinics and hospitals. (*Sierra Leone*)

More than 25,000 Africans received healthcare services through Hope Services and Hope Outreach International. (*Cameroon*)

More than 350,000 men, women and children received medical benefits from the Haramaya University's healthcare program which operates five hospitals and a clinic. (*Ethiopia*)

Photo: Haramaya University health center, Ethiopia ©2014





FOOD SECURITY/ AGRICULTURE

Many of the poor living in rural Africa, if they have nothing else, they have a small tract of land to call their own. Bread and Water for Africa® partners are working to provide training on how to get the most from the small plot using best practices and sustainable farming methods to not only provide food for their families, but in many instances, enough surplus to sell at the local market.



2014 FOOD SECURITY/ AGRICULTURE HIGHLIGHTS

60 local farmers received training in best practices at the Baraka Farm Practical Dairy Training Center with the goal of helping them to increase milk production. As a result of the training, the farmers, who have fewer than 10 cows each, have been able to double their output without doubling the size of their small herd. (Kenya)

Farmers in partnership with Shinga Development Trust are learning the method of “Farming God’s Way” in which they learn to make the most of what land they have by not plowing the soil and minimizing waste in order to make the ground more fertile with each growing season. (Zimbabwe)

More than 140 orphans living at the Lewa Children’s Home were served fresh fruits, garden fresh vegetables, milk and dairy products, grains and meat daily and **more than 250 people**, including seasonal employees, had employment opportunities at the Baraka Farm. (Kenya)

Photo: Baraka Farm, Kenya ©2014



EDUCATION

At Bread and Water for Africa® we strongly believe that educating children is not just an investment in the future of Africa — it is the future of Africa. Our partner organizations strive to get the youngest children off to the best start possible, beginning even before primary school, as well as helping young adults acquire vocational skills to build a career, or even start their own business.

2014 EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

495 children benefited from primary and secondary school education programs offered by the Faith Healing Development Organization which operates four nurseries, four primary schools and three secondary schools. (*Sierra Leone*)

More than 22,890 students will benefit each year from 240,000 primary and secondary school textbooks which were distributed to 15 secondary school and five primary school libraries. (*Ethiopia*)

378 children received quality nursery and primary school education at the Kipkeino Primary School. **331 vulnerable children** received financial aid for school fees. (*Kenya*)

57 young children were able to attend school because of the school fee support program provided by the Shinga Development Trust. (*Zimbabwe*)

Photo: Matukwa Primary School, Zimbabwe ©2013



SHINGA'S "HOPE" GRADUATES — MAKING THEIR WISHES COME TRUE

Their names are Moleen, Precious, Patience, Netsai, Lucy and Lavender and they recently graduated from a course in trichology offered by Bread and Water for Africa® partner, Shinga Development Trust, in Zimbabwe.

What is trichology, you might ask? The girls can tell you in their own words.

"We are happy about the course we did. Trichology is more about hair, beauty and skin. We now have experience in our work. Clients we have them."

With training completed and customers lined up, the young women have high hopes of opening their own beauty salon in the central business district of the town of Mutare.

Moleen said ever since she learned about the trichology course at the Shinga Hope Academy she was interested in learning more about hair styling, manicures, pedicures and cosmetics, and how to make the profession her career for a lifetime.

"I'm happy about my job, because my family is very proud of me."

*Lavender
Graduate of Shinga Hope Academy*

The course did not disappoint. "I've gained a lot of things," Moleen said. "I now know how to do make up for a person to look beautiful and what could be more important than that for a young woman?"

With her training and experience in using hair weaves and extensions, Moleen is well on her way to building a successful business. "I now have customers and my family is now earning better," she said. "I love my job and I thank God."



Photo: Precious with a client at the salon, Zimbabwe ©2014

For Lavender, with the training she received at the Shinga Hope Academy, she is not only a graduate but a qualified hair dresser. While she is pleased to be earning money, she and her fellow graduates still face many challenges to one day opening their own salon.

Until that day surely comes, Lavender can take satisfaction in the knowledge that she has the foundation to be self-sufficient and successful throughout her entire life and that her loved ones are rooting for her. "I'm happy about my job, because my family is very proud of me."

Lucy shares that same sentiment. "This course was quite good for me. I am able to do something for my family, and even my parents."

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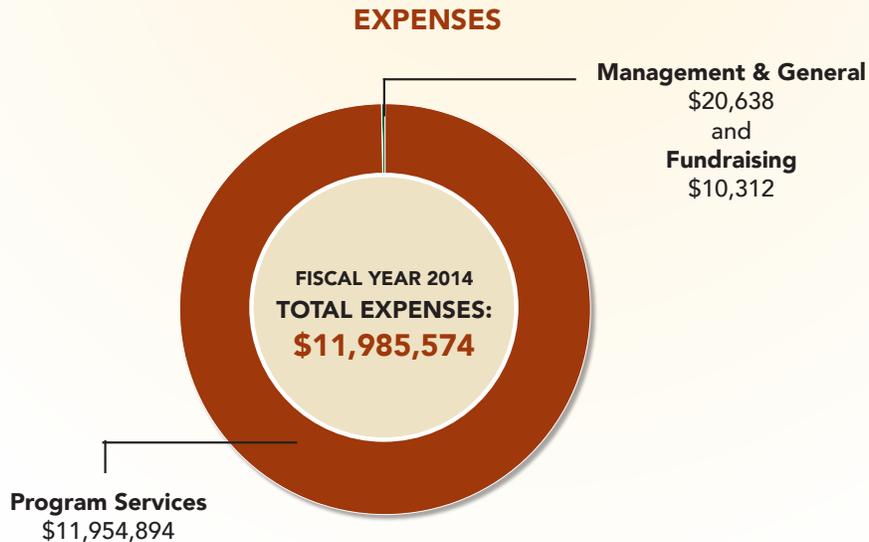
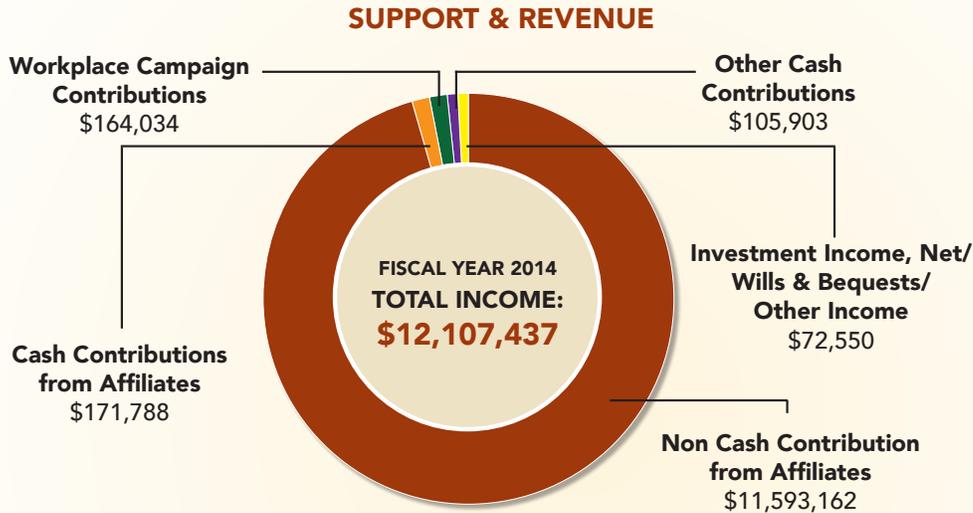
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT



Statement of Activities – year ended June 30, 2014. The financial results depicted here are derived from the Bread and Water for Africa® June 30, 2014 audited financial statements, which contain an unmodified audit opinion. Our complete audited financial statements can be obtained at www.africanrelief.org or by calling 1-888-371-6622 and requesting a copy.



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