

### **BWC Nominated Charities for 2024**

### **Developing Countries Charities**



Together with our Ugandan partner, Single Mothers' Hope Foundation, our organization supports approximately 40 single, low, or uneducated women and their children in their daily struggle for a dignified existence.

#### Our operations focus on 3 themes:

- Paying school fees and school materials for the 22 children and young people in primary or secondary education, two of whom have just graduated from college.
- Purchasing handicrafts made by the women and reselling them in Belgium. All proceeds go to the women.
- A project on agriculture, health and healthy food. The women grow vegetables, fruit, medicinal plants and their basic food. In addition, there are workshops on organic farming and disease prevention through healthy nutrition and the use of medicinal plants.

Our vision for the coming years is to give even more children the opportunity to go to school, to further develop our agricultural project by creating a better water supply, and to develop our land into a place where schoolchildren and students can learn about plants, organic farming, nutrition and health.

Thanks to our support over the past two years, the Ugandan organization RUCID (Rwenzori Childcare Initiative) is currently planting a forest and through this, they want to tackle the problem of flooding in and around their village in the Rwenzori Mountains. 400 trees have already been donated by the Municipality of Schelle and the goal is to reach 1000 trees with further sponsorship.

More information: h#ps://ju#akleber.wixsite.com/ugandaprojects



## Mbedza - Songani Centre for HIV testing and Counselling, Malawi

The Songani Centre makes a massive contribution to the local community:

- The Centre tests and counsels 200 people per month;
- It has a sanitary project that enables young women to make their own washable sanitary kits (700 kits made per year);
- It has a youth club and 30 of its members are being trained to be young leaders in preventing HIV transmission;
- There is a library which acts as an educational supplement which receives more than 1000 visits each month).
- It offers elementary computer lessons, particularly for girls.
- It offers a kids' corner to enable parents to shop in the local market (up to 40 kids per month).
- It is a community centre offering sports and games for young people.

Without funding much of this work would have to be scaled back. This year we are seeking funding to extend the sanitary project so that more young women can go to school and benefit from an education instead of being excluded.

More information: https://mbedza.org/



SAVE UKRAINE EU Charity Foundation is a non-profit organization founded by Kris Beckers, Honorary Consul of Ukraine in the Kingdom of Belgium.

Its mission is to support Ukraine, its Armed Forces, civil society and governmental organizations in their struggle in the war with Russia, and also defend their European choice and the right to preserve a free and democratic Ukraine.

The foundation collects donations and coordinates activities to:

- support in defence and de-mining Ukraine,
- · support reconstruction and rehabilitation,
- buy humanitarian aid for those in need.
- · buy medicines,

More information: https://saveukraineeu.be/



FACE for Children in Need cares for abandoned babies, orphans and street children. It is a Belgian-registered charity that has worked in Egypt for 20 years.

We currently care for 160 children aged 3-19 years in our orphanages and street centres and also work with hundreds of families needing support in the poorest communities.

This year we started two new initiatives:

- An aftercare programme to support the oldest children who need to move out of the orphanages and learn to become independent.
- A National Kafala Centre to receive all abandoned babies from Central Egypt with a view to placing them for adoption. The Centre has the consent of the Egyptian government and will reduce the risk of corruption and trafficking of babies whilst allowing them to become part of a loving family home that they deserve. When fully operational, we will have 200 babies passing through the centre at any one time.

Sadly, one of our longer-term donors has recently died. This seriously impacts our funding and puts at risk the really important work that we do. Any financial help that you can provide would help safeguard this work and would be very gratefully received.

More information: <a href="https://www.facechildren.org/">https://www.facechildren.org/</a>



Children of Heroes was founded to help the countless number of Ukrainian children who have suffered the ultimate tragedy: the loss of a parent during the ongoing war.

The Fund provides children and their families with comprehensive assistance, led by our team of Family Helpers. Our mission is to honour Ukrainians who fell during the war by empowering their children to thrive. We foster a nurturing environment for them to overcome adversity, rebuild their lives, and create a brighter future for themselves and for Ukraine.

Each child will be supported by the Fund until he or she reaches adulthood. The donations will fund programs including humanitarian and emergency aid, psychological care and therapy, crisis management, legal aid, educational support, as well as food, clothing and help securing shelter for children when needed and catered towards their unique needs and circumstances.

Our vision is to ensure that Ukraine's children of heroes find hope, opportunity, and a path to happiness, shaping a free and prosperous nation.

More information: https://childrenheroes.org/

### **Belgium Based Charities**

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Scale Dogs is a non-profit organization that aims to improve the mobility, safety, and independence of people GELEIDEHONDEN with visual disabilities by providing quality guide dogs free

No other means of mobility offers people with a visual impairment so much independence and freedom. Thanks to their guide dog, they too can participate in daily life without being dependent on others. In addition, Scale Dogs gives dogs not suitable for guidance work, an alternative career. Options include an autism dog that can help calm an autistic child and help build their confidence in stressful situations, an institution dog or a buddy dog.

They also organize workshops for parents of children with an Autism Spectrum Disorder in collaboration with Dyadis vzw, PAWS.

Scale dog staff have the most amazing work ethics and dedication. The trainers are highly knowledgeable and work together with the dogs using positive reinforcement with a primary focus on the dog's well-being.

More information: https://scaledogs.be/en/



Pelicano supports children in need who come from poor Sinderarmoedestichting families in Belgium.

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More than half a million children in Belgium grow up in poverty. Pelicano Child Poverty Foundation fights against this inequality and wants to save children from poverty in a sustainable way. With your support, we fund the basic needs of children living in poverty.

All children have the right to equal opportunities. With regular food, safety and support, a good education and meaningful leisure activities, we can break the vicious circle and create future opportunities.

More information: Over Pelicano Kinderarmoedestichting