



Current information about our sponsorship program:

At present, "Miteinander für Uganda e.V." (Together for Uganda) with exclusively honorary staff is looking after 110 schoolchildren at the primary school and at the secondary schools in Mutolere/Uganda, as well as 40 education, study and 30 family sponsorships. It is very important to our association that both the sponsored children and the sponsors (at least what the information concerns) are personally looked after. In Uganda, these tasks are taken over by Waltraud Ndagijimana, who comes from Germany. She knows each child and each family personally and is regularly informed about family and school developments. If interested, this information is also passed on to the sponsoring families.

The selection of the sponsored children and families requires careful consultation with our local contacts Mrs. Ndagijimana and the nurse Katto, who is responsible at the national health service for the care of AIDS orphans and particularly poor families. For this reason, new sponsored children and families are selected only twice a year during the stays of members of the association in Mutolere. The most important criteria for the selection of the children and families are always their living conditions, about which Sister Katto in particular is well informed by her regular home visits.

All sponsored children come from families living in extreme poverty. Most of them are also AIDS orphans. Some of them are half-orphans who live together with their siblings and the remaining parent. Others are orphans who are usually taken in by their grandparents or close relatives.

We make every effort to ensure that children of primary school age live with their families wherever possible, because family ties are very important for people in Africa. It gives identity and security to the children who have already experienced many negative things. Since most of the new sponsored children are of primary school age (1st to 7th grade), they attend boarding school at least in the first 5 grades only in case of a too long way to school or particularly bad living conditions. The pupils of the two final classes, on the other hand, are all boarding school pupils because the better conditions enable them to prepare themselves optimally for their state final examinations, the completion of which decides whether they want to go on to school or not. The secondary schools in Mutolere (8th to 13th grade) are boarding schools; the older children therefore only come home during the holidays and on individual weekends in the year. Children, who are in the training, live usually at home, against it students must move into one of the larger cities of Uganda and can come accordingly only rarely home.

Please understand that we can only ensure the quality of our work with regard to the children and their families if we gradually add new children to the programme and also set an upper limit for the number of sponsorships. Even if many more children would need help, this can't be done on a voluntary basis any other way! Ultimately, for many of our sponsored children we can only ensure that they complete school successfully through good contact with schools and educational institutions, regular enquiries, direct conversations with parents or relatives and our visits at home, and that they are not prevented from attending school or training by household or field tasks.

Our Sponsorship Program:

1. School sponsorships (new sponsorships from 2020) that enable children to have a good education. The sponsorship contribution in the area of pre-school and primary school (1st-7th grade) is currently 160 € or 220 € (boarding school) per year. The costs for pupils of the secondary schools amount to 250 € annually. The sponsorship contributions for pupils include school fees (tuition and two meals a day, three meals a day in the boarding school) as well as money for school uniforms, pullovers, exercise books, pens, soap, detergents and skin cream.
2. Educational sponsors (expected from 2020) who will enable children to start their careers after graduating from school. Unlike in Germany, vocational training takes place at vocational training centres or in vocational schools, in both cases school fees are charged. The costs for a vocational training amount to between 250 € (simple skilled occupations such as carpenter, bricklayer and tailor) and 650 € 1000 € (nursing, midwife school or commercial training), so that frequently a child is supported by several godfathers. They receive, if desired, also in this case information about the child and the conditions of its training.
The sum of the sponsorship contribution can be freely chosen by you from 100 €.
3. Sponsors of studies (probably from 2020) who enable children to study after graduating from school. The costs for a study in Uganda amount to approx. 1500 € - 2500 € per year (depending on the place of study), so that also a student must be supported by several godparents. If desired, you will receive information about your sponsored child and the status of his studies.
The sum of the sponsorship contribution can be freely selected starting from 100 €.
4. Family sponsors (from now on) who support the families of our sponsored children, who live in particularly great poverty, with a monthly contribution of 15 euros and so improve the living situation of these families a little. Here, too, your contribution will be assigned to a fixed family. If you are interested, you can receive information about your sponsoring family. You will receive information about the respective family as soon as you have decided to take over a family sponsorship.

If you are interested in one of our sponsorship projects or if you require further information, please contact us - the easiest way is by e-mail: info@miteinander-fuer-unganda.de