



Home for Hope
Foundation

Historical Report



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Letter from the founders

Dear Friends and Supporters of the Home for Hope Foundation,

Reflecting on our journey from 2016 to 2019, these formative years, as a family initiative, were marked by significant growth and impactful change.

Founder Noel was inspired by his transformative experience at the IMBABAZI Orphanage and Maureen A. Odenwald's support. Initially focusing on education, we expanded to healthcare in 2017 and women's empowerment through agricultural training in 2018, ensuring stable, supportive environments and quality education for children. October 15th 2019, we achieved a significant milestone by obtaining temporary registration as an NGO. This step marked a new chapter in our journey, allowing us to better represent the children and advocate for their rights and dreams more effectively.

Noel's Personal Note:

My life has been deeply influenced by the care and education I received at the IMBABAZI Orphanage. Mrs. Rosamond Halsey Carr, the founder, played a pivotal role in my life, as did Maureen A. Odenwald, who not only sponsored my education but also embraced me as her own son. Their influence inspired me to ask Maureen, whom I fondly called "Mama," what kind of reward she would like in return for all the wonderful things she did for me. Her response was clear and deeply inspiring: "Noel, I don't expect anything in return from you. Instead, I ask that you pay it forward to someone else in need and share with them the same message." This message has been the driving force behind the Home for Hope Foundation.

As we moved away from the orphanage, my love for nature and animals led my family to settle on the outskirts of Kigali, where we dream of starting a garden and raising animals. Seeing many children in our community not attending school compelled us to take action, and thus, the Home for Hope Foundation was born.

As we look forward to the future, we remain committed to our mission of uplifting orphaned and underprivileged children in Rwanda. Together, we are creating a brighter future filled with opportunities and hope.

Your compassion and generosity will be the pillars of our success.

With gratitude,

Noel Odenwald & Maureen Odenwald
Founders, Home for Hope Foundation





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The Home for Hope Foundation



Has started as the Noel's family initiative back in 2016 upto to 2019. Then today is a not-for-profit organization founded for inspiring and empowering orphans and vulnerable children through quality education and healthcare towards meaningful sustainable future that can be passed on to future generations.

Its creation was a result of the Founder's passion to give back to community especially in areas that would restore hope to

Vision

See our children blossom into adults who can pass on the life skills live healthy, happy lives and give back to the community.

Mission

Bring children from oppression to a life filled with hope and change for an emotionally and physically healthy, successful, and self-sustaining future that can be passed on for generations to come.



Our goal

Provide each child Girls and boys with an education & care.

Create a safe and nurturing environment for children to share life experiences, learn empathy for others, and responsibility.

To promote the living conditions of vulnerable people as well as protecting them and increase their income generation, eradicating poverty.

1,000 Hills, 1 Destination



Known as the land of 1,000 hills, Rwanda features stunning vistas and lush valleys. It's this verdant topography and a love of nature that compelled Noel S. Odenwald to settle in the outskirts of Kigali with dreams of starting a garden and raising animals.

Upon realizing that many of the children in my new community were not attending school, so I've lived in the orphanage for 12 years after losing both of my parents; I first sought to help fund their education by sending them to school. Since 2016, we were working as the family initiative that was sponsored by the small company of Designing, Printing and Photography as the only the source of fund which wasn't growing to the expected pace.

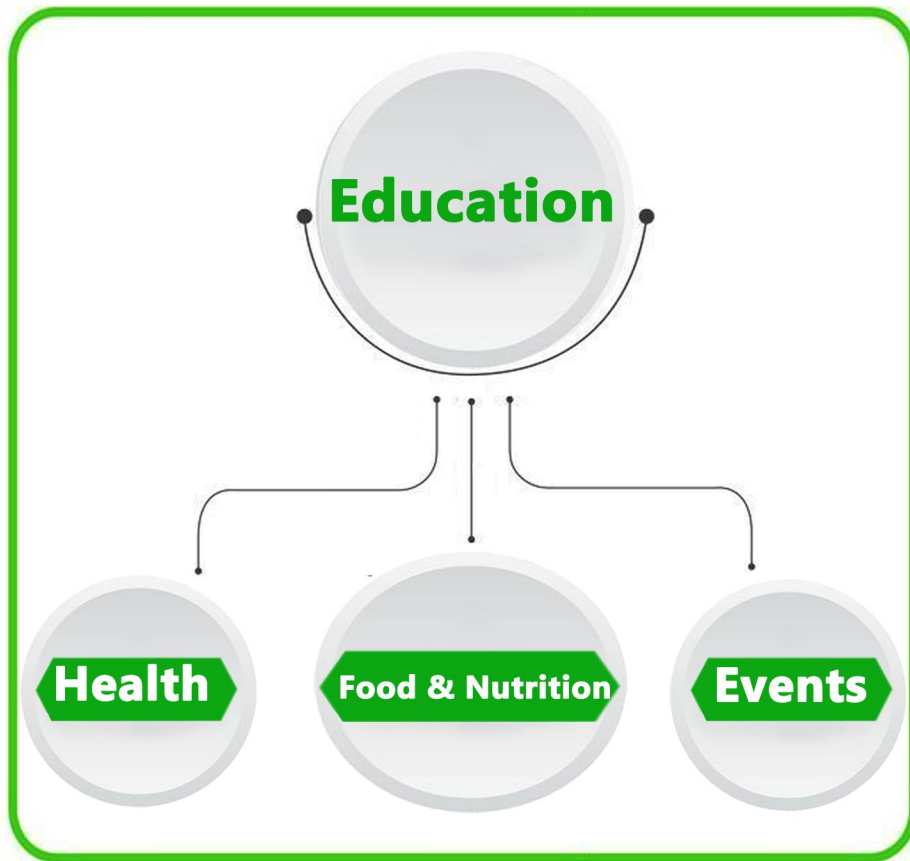
This initiative

- *for the 1st school year 2016 sent 11 children at school;
- *for the 2nd school year 2017 sent 15 children at school;
- *for the 3rd school year 2018 sent 17 children at school;
- *for the 4th school year 2019 sent 30 children at school.

After 4 years the oldest children under our program were in fourth grade, I had to think big and decided to transform the family initiative into an NGO. Slowly the idea of an NGO that took a comprehensive approach to meet the children's needs for education, nutrition and economic opportunities for the community's future took shape, and Home for Hope Foundation was born in 2016.



Our areas of interventions



All of Home for Hope Foundation's interventions support education program to empower children towards self-sustainability future that can be passed on for generations to come.

"We prioritize Quality education rather than Quantity"





Education Program Growth Initiatives

* We give uniforms to the children



* We give the Notebooks to the children



Big challenge

End of 2016 School Year the children has got poor marks in class.



Study done

The study has shown that the primary challenge faced by the Children (community) was poverty, with specific challenges including:

1. Lack of electricity in the village, hindering children from doing homework and revising;
2. Poor health status, as access to health services was limited;
3. Children felt hopeless because of the poverty in their families;
4. Food insecurity, with some families struggling to obtain food



Solution to the specific challenges addressed

1. A Home Teacher

Back in 2016, there was no electricity in the village except the founder's home. As a result, the children we were helping had no place to do their homework or revise their lessons. This is why they had to come to my home, even though I did not have a room, chairs for them.

He was with the following duties, which also serve as a solution for the third challenge:

1. Creating hope by sharing life experiences, fostering empathy for others, and instilling a sense of responsibility.
2. Working with students to improve their skills in certain subjects.
3. Helping children with home revision and correcting their homework. Following up by evaluating students' progress and discussing the results with students and/or their parents. Identifying students' individual learning needs.
4. Collaborating with children, parents, schools, and the Home for Hope Foundation initiative.



Solution to the specific challenges addressed

2. Paying the health insurance



We advocated for impoverished families categorized as Cat 1 by the Rwandan Government's social stratification system. Category one households often struggle to secure food, may eat at most once a day, lack proper housing, and find it difficult to obtain basic necessities like soap, paraffin, salt, and clothes. Through our efforts, these families were provided with free health insurance for all the family members.

For those not falling into category one, we worked tirelessly to ensure they could afford this crucial health insurance.



Solution to the specific challenges addressed

3. Porridge

In response to the food insecurity faced by the children we supported in education, we provided them with porridge, cookies, bread, and sometimes a meal during their gatherings at the founder's home.

This was a significant challenge, as studying on an empty stomach was not easy for the children.



Put Smile to Children's Face!

Christmas Event

The first Christmas event took place in 2019 and was sponsored by Daniel Magdi Louis and Laila Ahmed Said, who generously provided shoes and clothes for our children. This contribution has greatly uplifted the spirits of our children, bringing hope into their lives.



The Home for Hope Foundation believe that the impact of putting a smile on someone's face goes beyond the immediate moment; it creates a ripple effect of happiness that can be felt throughout a lifetime.

Join us in making a difference, one smile at a time!



Story: Answered prayer



In a small village, a woman and her husband struggled daily with the challenges of poverty. Their thoughts often turned to their son, Byiringiro, who was 8 years old and had not yet had the opportunity to start school. Desperate for a change, the woman joined prayer group, where she poured her heart into every prayer session, passionately asking God to provide her son with the opportunity to study like other children of his age.

Moved by her Sincere prayers, the founder of the Home for Hope Foundation decided to enroll Byiringiro in school after hearing her request five-times. Since 2017, Byiringiro has been studying under the foundation's education program. His story is just one example of the countless families enduring the hardships of poverty and loneliness. Collaboration with the Home for Hope Foundation can extend this assistance to even more communities in need.

Our impact in numbers



The data presented in this report are from the 4 programs conducted and enrolled over the past 4 years.



30

Have been sent to school for 4 years



108

Health insurances have been paid in 4 years



30

Porridge and cookies, occasional food have been provided 3 days a week for 4 years



25

Gifts have been given on 2019 xmas day.



The NGO Registration Process

After four years of operation, by 2019, the founder's small company remained the sole source of income, but its growth had not met expectations. To address these financial challenges, the decision was made to transform the family initiative into an NGO, named Home for Hope Foundation, ensuring continued support for the children. By the end of these four years, the oldest children in our program were in fourth grade. Realizing the need for a larger-scale approach, the transformation into an NGO was seen as a way to better represent the children and help them achieve their dreams.

The stories of our children resonate deeply with me, reminding me of my own upbringing and the profound impact of the orphanage in my life. The best way to honor and giving back those who raised me is to pay it forward by providing education to those in need.

Our values of Cause, Honesty, Hardworking, and Transparency played a significant role in obtaining the temporary registration certificate for our NGO on October 15th, 2019.





The source of funds and a thank you note:



The funding for all our activities comes from generous contributors, including:

- *Noel's family,**
- *Melissa & John Warsinsky Family,**
- *Daniel Magdi Louis and Laila Ahmed Said.**

The Home for Hope Foundation extend the thanks to all of you. Your generosity and support have enabled us to continue our work and bring about positive change in our community. Together, we are making a difference.

Thank you for believing in our cause and
be blessed.



This is the beginning and will not stop!



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