



*Making a **positive** difference*

Below are some of the charities that have received grants from the Central Fund to help them achieve their projects.

Afrikids - £25,000 to train 25 teachers in five schools in northern Ghana, dramatically enhancing the quality of education in the classroom for over 1,000 children every year. Afrikids will build gender-friendly toilets, provide teaching and learning materials and set up child rights clubs in each of the five schools. They will work with teachers, communities, school authorities and parents to make sure that education is prioritised and valued in poor, rural communities. They will significantly impact low pass, retention and enrolment rates while driving up standards across the schools.

Bansang Hospital - £25,000 to help fund the refurbishment of a dilapidated staff accommodation block into family accommodation for 3 senior medical staff and their families (2 doctors & 1 midwife). Built in 1938, Bansang Hospital stands deep in the Gambian bush, serving as the main referral hospital for 600,000 acutely vulnerable West Africans. The region is economically depressed and environmentally hostile; with patients often presenting with life threatening illnesses consistent with extremely hot/equatorial zones (including burns, malaria, malnutrition, pneumonia, anaemia and snakebites).

Excellent Development - £25,000 to build a sand dam and provide climate-smart agriculture training for one farming community in southeast Kenya. Sand dams are a sustainable, low-cost technology, which provide year-round access to safe water, for life. Farmers will be enabled to make the most of their sand dam through training in improved farming techniques and the establishment of a tree nursery, seed bank and demonstration farm. This project will enhance water and food security for 4,597 people.

One Brick at a Time - £25,000 to fund 14 rainwater harvesting systems for schools, town centres and health centres in Western Uganda and to provide training for 30 apprentices, filling a skills deficit. 5,333 school children will be taught safe hygiene and given access to safe water alongside 15,550 patients. Town centres with 80,880 people will gain improved access to clean water and this will be used as part of a handwashing drive, reducing high rates of waterborne disease and child mortality

African's Initiatives - £25,000 to complete the final year of their 'School AIDS Free Generation Project' in Kilimanjaro, Tanzania, which works with 1,792 Primary school children, parents, teachers and community members in areas with high levels of AIDS orphans. The project increases awareness and understanding of HIV, dispels harmful myths and provides early intervention, testing, treatment, care and counselling.

EDUKAID- £25,000 to build 3 pre-primary classes in rural Mtwara, Southern Tanzania and to fund a teacher and teaching assistant for each of these, thereby providing a learning environment and the chance of a better life for up to 400 children.

Pump AID - £25,000 to build water pumps and sanitation facilities at two Community Based Childcare Centres (pre-schools) in Malawi, improving life chances for young children and their communities. The project will give 1,400 people access to safe water, teach safe hygiene and sanitation practices and boost nutrition through kitchen gardens, dramatically reducing child illness and mortality rates and improving attendance and achievement in early years.

Self Help Africa - £25,000 to provide employment opportunities for 600 vulnerable young people in a rural and poverty stricken region of Northern Uganda. To achieve this, young people will receive the education, resources and support they need to build profitable livelihoods in the agriculture sector.

Advantage Africa - Kibwezi, rural Kenya received £25,000 in 2016 - to help disabled children and adults and their families (over 2,000 beneficiaries in total) to overcome poverty. The project will provide: (i) materials and training for 40 disabled people and their families to establish income-generating activities (ii) surgery and prosthetic limbs for 20 people (iii) custom-made appliances for 72 people and (iv) rehabilitation, health, and emotional support to a further 300 disabled people and their families through 11 community disability groups.

AMOR - received £25,000 in 2016 to build a new School for orphans and vulnerable children of both primary and secondary school age in a rural indigenous village of Chiul in Guatemala, a war-devastated area where only 12% of children attend school. This School will also serve as an Adult Training Centre, teaching vital literacy and livelihood skills in the evenings to help them feed their families

The Mondo Challenge Foundation – received £25,000 in 2015 to build a 2 storey hostel facility with 6 dormitories, kitchen, dining hall, utility room and bathroom. This will enable 30 girls each year to continue in secondary education for a further 2 years. Long and treacherous journeys to school mean that girls tend not to go on to secondary education, but a hostel, with an expected life of 20 years for the building, will ultimately provide 630 girls with the opportunity to continue their education.

Trust for Africa's Orphans – received £25,000 in 2015 to (a) purchase equipment and materials to train school girls in the Dokolo district in Uganda to produce affordable re-usable sanitary pads; (b) educate them about the implications of menstruation and c) build two girls-only latrines. Initially 5000 girls will benefit through no longer missing school every month due to the stigma associated with menstruation or not having suitable sanitary wear.

The Henry van Straubenzee Memorial Fund – received £25,000 in 2014 for St. Mulumba Primary School in South East Uganda to renovate 3 classroom blocks, construct 8 girls latrines, provide 80 x 3 seater desks; 50 x single seater desks; supply a 20 litre water tank, construct 4 x teachers' latrines; build 4 x teachers houses; install solar panels as well as providing textbooks and musical instruments. This will benefit 1040 pupils now and in the future.

Further details can be found www.henryvanstraubenzeemf.org.uk

Send a Cow – in Rwanda – received £25,000 in 2014 to provide 44 farmers with agricultural and livestock training to be able to produce enough to eat; sell through sustainable businesses and setting up co-operatives. Not only will this enable them to feed their 305 family members, but they

will be required to pass on the gift of skills, seeds, plant saplings and livestock to another 10 families in need. Thus 3,994 lives will be transformed for just £8pp.

Further details can be found www.sendacow.org

Emerge Poverty Free – received £25,000 in May 2013 towards setting up 3 bakeries and 3 grinding mills in Ikotos South Sudan, by training 90 returnees from Khartoum, which will be run as co-operatives. In return for support, bread rolls will be provided for 1,000 children for one year at the AIC Primary School, enabling the school to save money that will pay for orphan schooling.

Further details can be found www.emergepovertyfree.org

Build-It International – received £25,000 in May 2013 to support their Training into Work Programme in Zambia where 60 unemployed men and women will be trained in construction and under supervision, build two primary schools and expand two secondary schools - benefitting 3032 children. Also to continue to support the 203 men and women that have been trained since 2009 by providing advice to find work opportunities, toolkits, business skills training, and equipment loans.

Further details can be found www.builditinternational.org

Advantage Africa – received £25,000 in May 2012 to reduce the sickness and death caused by malaria by not only providing 2,000 pre-treated mosquito nets, but also providing the relevant training and education to enable the proper installation, and ongoing repair to ensure proper use for up to 5 years for disadvantaged people in the Siaya District of Western Kenya.

Further details can be found www.advantageafrica.org

The Philippine Community Fund – received £25,000 to support a school feeding programme by providing parcels of basic food each week to 500 students, for 1 year, based on attendance and achievement, thus acting as an incentive to ensure that the students continue in education rather than having to work on the streets to provide food for their families.

Further details can be found www.p-c-f.org

Swinfen Telemedicine – received £25,000 in July 2011 to build a small clinic to serve 4 villages high in the Himalayas in Nepal and provide health care for the villages of Khalte, Laame, Bhangara, and Dadra, with a population of around 14,222

Further details can be found www.swinfencharitabletrust.com

Trust for Africa's Orphans – received £25,000 in July 2011 to support 900 poor smallholder women farmers (who will each generally be supporting 6-10 children) in Northern Uganda trained in sustainable farming, to become the owner, manager, producer and supplier of sunflower seeds thereby improving their income, employment and nutrition.

Further details can be found www.trustforafricasorphans.org.uk

Concern Worldwide received £25,000 in July 2010 to reduce the poverty in the earthquake affected areas of Manshera District, North West Frontier Province, Pakistan, through the promotion of food and livelihood security

The goal of the project is to contribute to the reduction of poverty through developing and demonstrating improved farming practices to increase food security in the target area. The project will result in:

- Improved access to quality agricultural inputs
- Enhanced crop and livestock management practices
- Diversified and increased crop production
- Strengthened links with relevant government agencies

Activities will include:

- Provision of certified seeds
- Creation of seed banks to ensure sustainability
- Training on improved crop management
- Demonstrations of tunnel gardening
- Creation of orchards
- Strengthening of village farming groups

Further details can be found www.concern.net

LHC Foundation Trust – I Care – received £25,000 in July 2010 for their outreach programme - a sustainable solution to challenges facing street children in South Africa

The Outreach team builds relationships with the children on the streets encouraging them to enter a shelter, return home where possible, or join I Care's rehabilitations programme.

Further details can be found www.icare.co.za.

1. **Ace Africa** received £25,000 in July 2009 to provide 5 posho mills and train 50 volunteers in the production and marketing of immune-boosting nutritious flour vitally needed to help in the management of HIV/AIDS in Western Kenya

Project Outcomes for Vulnerable Children and the Community

- 1,250 receiving nutritious flour for six months at a cost of £2 per household per month
- 50 Community volunteers trained in business skills benefitting 650 group members and their families through increased income and access to nutritious food products
- Improved community health
- Increased group income, resulting in increased support to orphans and vulnerable children by the community themselves
- Increased community awareness about HIV/AIDS and a reduction in stigma
- Reduction in AIDS infection rates (long term and in conjunction with ACE's overall programme)

Further details can be found at www.ace-africa.org.

2. **Mondo Challenge** received £25,000 in July 2009 to provide vital education support to 10 villages in the Tamang and Helambu regions of Nepal whereby a total of 1200 pupils will directly benefit in Year 1, at a cost of just £21 per person. The money will be used to fund:
- Additional teachers in six crucially under-staffed schools
 - Four new classrooms
 - Toilets for boys and girls in schools where they are lacking
 - Setting up small libraries in each of the 10 schools
 - Improving basic facilities such as blackboards & glass for windows
- Further details can be found at <http://www.mondochallengefoundation.org>

3. **Uweso UK Trust** - (Trust for Africa's Orphans) - in 2008 Scott Bader supported Uweso (TAO) with a donation of £25,000 towards a project to Collect and Store Rainwater for Rural Health Centres and Schools. This enabled them to provide 16 water tanks, for 10 Schools and 4 Health Centres in the Ssembabule, Lyantonde and Kiruhura Districts of Uganda. The remaining two tanks were placed in two of the largest villages. This project benefitted approximately 50,000 people. Further details can be found at <http://www.trustforafricasorphans.org.uk/projects.htm>.

4. **The Hunger Project** is a global, strategic organization committed to the sustainable end of world hunger. In 2008 £25,000 was donated to support the African Woman Food Farmer Initiative and helped them expand their microfinance programme in Malawi, to benefit at least 800 women and their family and fellow community members. Overview of THP-Malawi work: http://www.thp.org/where_we_work/africa/malawi/overview

5. **Tools for Self Reliance** aims to enable disadvantaged people living both, in and around Milton Keynes in the UK and in developing countries, to use their own efforts to improve themselves, and to play a more active part in the society in which they live. They achieve this by operating a workshop where volunteers undertake practical work refurbishing unwanted hand tools which are then sent to people in developing countries who use them to earn a living. In 2007 £25,000 enabled them to complete and send a further 50 kits of tools to help over 300 people in developing countries. Further details can be found at <http://www.tfsr.org/uk/>

6. **Children in Crisis** exists to give children in some of the world's poorest countries the educational opportunities they need to help transform their lives. At the heart of their work is the belief that education is an essential tool to overcome poverty. Scott Bader provided £25,000 in 2007 to enable Children in Crisis to train 50 teachers and provide 27,000 children in the Democratic Republic of Congo with the chance to go to school. For many, this will be their first time of having access to education and therefore the opportunity to transform their lives. Children in Crisis believe that education is a basic

human right and an essential tool to overcome poverty and social deprivation. Further details can be found at <http://www.childrenincrisis.org/about-us>

7. **Working for the Children of Watamu** - Happy House Project. This is a project to build a Happy House for many orphans in Watamu, Kenya. These children are orphaned, due to Aids, Malaria and many other diseases. Scott Bader supported this project with a donation of £9,200 in 2008. Further details can be found at <http://www.childrenofwatamu.net>