





## dear friends,

Welcome to our 10 year anniversary edition of our annual report – I can't believe it's been 10 years! It seems like only yesterday that it all began. It has been such a privilege to lead Kids Club Kampala over the last 10 years and to see it grow from a small organisation run by 3 friends to a medium-sized charity, which is changing thousands of lives and is a lifeline to so many.

This crazy journey over the last 10 years has not been easy at all, and it is still incredibly heart-breaking, stressful and challenging at times. But without a doubt, the most rewarding thing is seeing children, families, and communities whose lives are being changed for the better by Kids Club Kampala. Seeing children who were once severely malnourished now healthy and thriving; seeing children have a bright future ahead of them because they are going to school; seeing women gaining skills

and being able to provide for their children; seeing a child who was abandoned and didn't know love now having a loving family—it's just amazing! And thank you for being a part of it.

However, we are very much aware that there is still such a long way to go. We are an organisation that relies solely on the generosity of other people and a little bit really does go a long way. We have big plans for 2020, and hope to increase in impact, growth and effectiveness across all of our project areas. We hope that you will

continue to partner with us for the coming year, as we work together to bring hope and love to vulnerable children and to transform the situations of poverty that they are living in.

Many thanks for all of your ongoing support; the achievements outlined in this report would not have been possible without your generosity and we cannot thank you enough.

Here's to the next 10 years!

God bless you,
Olivia Barker White
CEO

### highlights of 2019

This year, we expanded to working in the Naguru slum community, home to over 10,000 people living in poverty. Since January, we've provided free education and a hot meal every day to over 300 children in Naguru. We've built new toilets for the community, and provided women with vocational skills with our tailoring and hairdressing courses.







 $6,\!813$  children participated in our children's activities



8/9 children were provided with clothes and other basic necessities



 $\begin{array}{c} 685 \\ \text{children were given} \\ \text{toothbrushes and toothpaste} \end{array}$ 



185
teenage girls
received counselling



 $\underset{\text{mosquito nets}}{107}$ 

# in 2019 our vital funds were raised by:

fundraising events hosted by our 3 Fundraising Ambassadors

school partnerships

15
church
partnerships

corporate partnerships

grants from charitable trusts



2 sponsored cycles

Iron Man

Facebook birthday fundraisers

Countless craft sales and community events





## fundraising highlights



In June, our **Anniversary Ball** saw 150 people come together for a fantastic evening of food and fundraising, raising over £11,000!



In August, we launched an emergency fundraising appeal to repair our community classroom in Katanga classroom, raising over £3000 We took part in **The Big Give Christmas Challenge** for the third
year running. This year,
we raised over £12,000
which will provide over
60,000 meals as part
of the Feeding Project!





### access to education



more children sponsored this year



168
sponsored children in total

493

children received free daily education in 3 slum communities through our Encouraging Education Project



This includes 178

3-6 year olds at our Early Education for All Early Childhood Development Programme, funded by UK Aid



to go to school and to not have to spend my days working in the community to earn a living ""

IMPACT STORY **EVIE** 

### IMPACT STORY GLORIA

Mother of two children enrolled on the project:
'When I lost my husband, all hope was gone. I thought my kids would never get a chance to go to school, but thanks to Kids Club Kampala my children can now gain an education'

In the summer, heavy rainfall and extreme flooding left our Katanga classroom badly damaged and unsafe to use. However, through a successful fundraising campaign, we built an even bigger, better classroom.







## 2019 was an especially exciting and significant year for Kids Club Kampala, as we celebrated our 10 year anniversary!

Over the last 10 years we have:

- fundraised over 1 million pounds
- provided 1.5 million hot nutritious meals to hungry children
- free education for over 1000 children
- given counselling to over 3000 vulnerable young people
- enrolled over 700 vulnerable women on skills training
- reunited almost 100 children back with their families through our Ewafe project

We've helped transform thousands of lives and have become a lifeline to so many - something which wouldn't have been possible without the support of everyone who has donated, fundraised, sponsored a child and volunteered with us over the past 10 years. We want to say a huge thank you to each and every one of you – we couldn't do this without you!

#### **JENNY**

to another looking for friends to play with, I would go places my parents did not know. Now with Kids Club Kampala, I have found friends whom I can play with, and my parents are aware of where I am.<sup>22</sup>



#### NATHAN

G I am glad I can have a good meal every day, we have very small food portions at home and at times sleep on empty stomachs.

## keeping children safe

- In 2019 our Ewafe project rescued a total of 28 children:
  - 7 missing children
  - 6 rescued from child labour
  - 5 rescued from abuse
  - 5 had been abandoned due to parental mental health
  - 4 left homeless following family breakdowns
  - 1 from a homeless family
- Provided all children with counselling, medical care and rehabilitation
- Reintegrated 17 children back into loving families
- Resettled 1 abandoned child, with our first ever foster family!





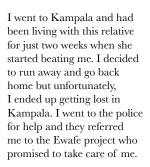
**GEMMA** was just 8 when her mother became very unwell and was admitted to a psychiatric hospital.



#### JESSICA'S STORY

When I was 12 I had to drop out of school since my mum became sick and couldn't afford my school fees.

A distant relative suggested I come to stay with her in Kampala to babysit her child since I wasn't doing anything at home. My mum agreed that it could be a good opportunity for me.



Kids Club Kampala's social workers helped find my family and reunited me with my mum and siblings. I was so happy to see my mum as I had lost all hope of ever seeing her again. Thank you so much Kids Club Kampala for your kindness and the good work you are doing.

As a result, Gemma was at risk of homelessness, so in 2018 came to stay at our Ewafe home. It was hoped that Gemma's mum would recover, but a year passed and sadly, her mother was still unable to offer Gemma the consistent care she

needed. We found a loving Ugandan family and took them through the process of becoming approved foster carers. In June, the final placement took place and Gemma moved in with her new family! This family has the space in their hearts and

lives to give Gemma the love she desperately needs, along with the one-to-one attention and sense of belonging that a group home can't always offer. Gemma will soon start attending school again, and has continued contact with her biological mum.

## strengthening families

The aim of this project is to strengthen families and help people break out of the cycle of poverty, transforming their communities as they do so.

In January, we launched a hairdressing training course and opened a new tailoring training centre in Naguru slum

- 110 women took part in our tailoring and knitting courses
- 11 young people took part in our new hairdressing course
- 10 young people undertook our carpentry course

We received several donations of sewing machines and carpentry tools throughout the year, which have been a huge blessing to this project

• 131 people received business skills training







#### TIM

'I had to drop out of school after my parents were no longer able to pay my school fees. I decided to come to Kampala to stay with my friend whilst looking for a job. When I got the opportunity to undertake the hairdressing training at Kids Club Kampala I was so happy. I am very positive that I will now be able to earn money and start my own hairdressing business, this is my dream.'







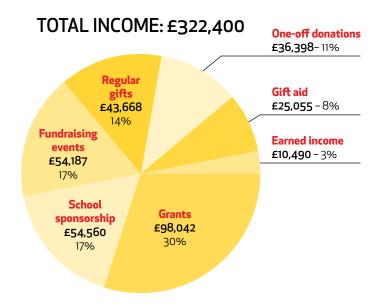
#### **SHARON**

'I have 3 children and despite trying my best, it is hard to provide for their needs. When I heard about the opportunity through Kids Club Kampala of learning tailoring, I decided to sign up straight away. I have now acquired

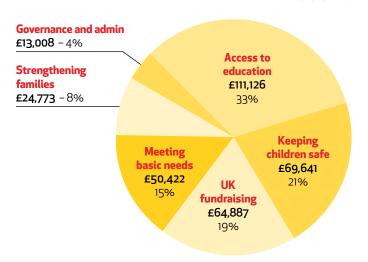
skills and have improved my standards of living at home. I have started saving up for a sewing machine, and I have already got lots of customers giving me their clothes for mending. I am very grateful for this opportunity, I have started seeing a bright future ahead.'



### financials 2019



#### TOTAL EXPENDITURE: £333,857



## together we can do more

The impact we are making in the lives of vulnerable children and families in Uganda is only possible because of your generous support. We would love to be able to continue our vital work of transforming lives over the next 10 years, and beyond.

If you'd like to join us in bringing more hope and love to children in Uganda, you can support us further by becoming a regular giver, or encouraging a friend to do so – simply fill in the following form and return to us. Thank you.

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