



## Support Our Work

We need your support to build our impact in Rwanda, one family at a time. And with your help, we know we can do more.

Rwanda-one4one is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization and proudly has a Silver level rating from GuideStar. When you make a donation, you will be added to an email list and receive news about our work in Rwanda.

***Murakoze cyane - that's Thank you very much in Kinyarwanda, the national language of Rwanda!***



## Our Mission

We work with Rwandan families helping them create a path to a better life through income opportunities and education.

Our focus includes sending children to school, repairing homes, covering emergency medical costs, and developing skills that lead to economic self-sufficiency.



**What makes Rwanda one4one unique is a combination of factors:**

- **Size-** We're small -- and intend to stay that way-- we're mighty, and we're nimble too.
- **Structure-** We're all volunteers
- **Solutions** -We have an unwavering commitment to creating long-term relationships with the families we serve. We offer a hand up. And, we offer a piece of our hearts.

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## Shelter

Families in rural Rwanda (like the families we have relationships with) live in houses that are basic and fragile. The homes are made from mud bricks, many have dirt floors, no ceilings, and are perched on steep hillsides. Most homes have no screens to prevent mosquitoes from entering the home, there is no running water to the homes, there are no kitchens so cooking, and other household duties are done outside. There are no clothes washing machines and no bathrooms with toilets, tubs or showers. Sources of water could be miles away. Electricity is sporadic and many homes are not wired.

During the long rainy season from March to May when the rain is heavy and persistent, and the shorter rainy season from October to November, the homes are prone to erosion.

With your generosity we'll be able to make a difference repairing or helping to construct these simple homes.



## Umva means "listen" in Kinyarwanda, the language of Rwanda

The Umva project began in 2015, through Rwanda-one4one.

Umva (pronounced oom-vah) taps into the creativity of a small group of women open to learning a handcraft and eager to earn a living. The women have become skilled in the art of naturally dyeing textiles, and they use their knowledge of the indigenous plants they gather from the hillsides.

The exquisite colors and patterns on cloth that they dye by hand become 'art to wear' in the form of gorgeous one-of-a-kind scarves and wraps.

When you purchase an Umva textile you are providing Rwanda-one4one's families work, pride, hope and a brighter future.



## Send a Child to School

In Rwanda, and elsewhere in the world, education remains the most effective way to lift a community from poverty.

There is no public, free education in Rwanda. Rwanda-one4one's work, supported by donations, means that families who could otherwise not afford to regularly send their children to school can do so. Our aim is to cover the cost of tuition to send a child to grade school or high school for a year.

