## SPONSORSHIP REPORT

JANUARY 2025

## **GENERAL INTRODUCTION**

The month of January 2025 was a bustling month for Eden's Child sponsorship department, packed with various activities aimed at supporting children and families in the program. Activities included distributing water filters, conducting home and school visits, engaging with self-help groups, facilitating Saturday Bible Connect sessions, providing healthcare services, education (Eden Bright Academy, school fees), and parent's meeting, and registering new kids in sponsorship. All these endeavors were successfully implemented.

#### **EDUCATION**

Eden's Child has been making a significant impact in the lives of sponsored children. Ensuring that they not only have school supplies but also monitoring their educational progress, demonstrates a deep commitment to their overall well-being. Visiting the schools to check on their academic status is a wonderful way to show ongoing support and care. Eden's Child ensures that every sponsored child has their school fees covered for the second term of the 2024-2025 academic year, demonstrating a deep commitment to their education and well-being. This initiative not only supports the children but also inspires others to contribute and make a meaningful difference. 17,768,650 RWF were paid for all 806 students studying in nursery, primary and secondary schools.



# HEALTHCARE AND MEDICATION

Eden's Child remains unwavering in its commitment to safeguarding the well-being and vitality of its sponsored children. Through diligent healthcare interventions, vital medical aid reaches those in dire need, such as Mugabe Pacifique. a sponsored child in Eden's Child Karama Project, is currently receiving medical treatment for an arm injury sustained three weeks ago. The injury occurred during a recreational session at Saturday Bible Connect while playing soccer, causing a severe fracture with bone separation. He was treated at Kabutare District Hospital and is scheduled for a follow-up appointment on February 27, 2025, to assess his healing progress. The total cost of his medical treatment amounted to 2,149 FRW.



#### **UWIZEYIMANA DORCAS MEDICATION**

Another example is Uwizeyiman Dorcas, who was taken to MEDHEAL DIAGONOSTIC & FERTILITY CENTRE hospital in Kigali for CT scan due to her femur bone infection. The report showed a shortening of the right femur with posterior and medial bowing of the distal shaft, likely due to previous osteomyelitis. Also there is associated wasting of the quadriceps muscles, but no signs of abscess, infection, or sclerotic lesions. The femoral head and hip joint show no abnormalities. The knee joint is also normal, with no signs of fluid buildup or other issues. The results from this hospital was taken back to GIKONKO hospital and the doctor said Dorcas will have surgery and it is appointed on 07<sup>th</sup> April 2025.



### DISTRIBUTION OF WATER FILTERS

Recognizing the paramount importance of clean water, Eden's Child distributed 950 high-quality water filters across all program sites, each valued at 50,000Rwf, not including distribution and installation costs. These life-saving filters shield sponsored families from deadly waterborne diseases, drastically reducing illness and medical expenses. 831 families received filters while the remaining 119 extra filters were given out to Saturday bible connect for kids to drink clean water and other in the Eden's child offices and medical centers (Karama 6, Muhanga 14, Runda 9, Mukoni 10, Mukindo 10 and 4 in Medical center) and 66 left in stock. For children, the impact is profound—enhanced health translates to consistent school attendance, sharper cognitive function, and overall academic excellence. By eliminating the daily struggle for safe drinking water, Eden's Child empowers young minds to thrive, fostering a future of resilience and opportunity. This initiative is a testament to their unwavering commitment to holistic child welfare.



## SOAP AND LOTION DISTRIBUTION

In January, we received soaps for 2 months (January & February) Eden's Child successfully distributed soaps to sponsored families across various program sites. A total of 3800 bars soaps were provided, directly benefiting 950 sponsored children, ensuring improved hygiene and disease prevention. Every sponsored child received 4bars of soap, leaving no remaining stock. This initiative reflects Eden's Child's unwavering commitment to promoting health and well-being among sponsored children and their families. We are distributing other soaps this February on 25<sup>th</sup>.

| No | Project | Beneficiaries | Soaps<br>received | Soaps<br>distributed | remaining stock for<br>January | remaining stock<br>for February |
|----|---------|---------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1  | Mukoni  | 242           | 1936              | 968                  | 0                              | 968                             |
| 2  | Huye    | 54            | 432               | 216                  | 0                              | 216                             |
| 3  | Karama  | 122           | 976               | 488                  | 0                              | 488                             |
| 4  | Save    | 33            | 264               | 132                  | 0                              | 132                             |
| 5  | Vumbi   | 106           | 848               | 424                  | 0                              | 424                             |
| 6  | Runda   | 87            | 696               | 348                  | 0                              | 348                             |
| 7  | Kabuga  | 16            | 128               | 64                   | 0                              | 64                              |
| 8  | Mukindo | 60            | 480               | 240                  | 0                              | 240                             |
| 9  | Muhanga | 230           | 1840              | 920                  | 0                              | 920                             |
|    |         | 950           | 7600              | 3800                 | 0                              | 3800                            |





## **REGISTRATION OF NEW KIDS**

Eden's Child continues to expand its transformative impact, welcoming new children into its sponsorship program. One child was newly registered in January. Sponsoring a child is not just providing support—it is investing in a future filled with hope, education, and opportunity. Each sponsored child carries the potential to uplift their family, transform their community, and create lasting change in the world. Through this initiative, Eden's Child nurtures dreams, shaping a generation that will lead with purpose and compassion.



## HOME VISITS

During family visitations to parents sponsored in Eden's Child, we monitored their progress and development. Some families are thriving in agriculture like the family of SAFARI Jean Damascene who is harvesting corns, while Chantal NAMBAJIMANA mother of GISUBIZO Shema Herve is advancing in sewing as she has gotten her own machine gifted by the sponsor, this helps creating income opportunities and food sustainability. These efforts empower families to become self-reliant and improve their living conditions. Through support and guidance, we witness positive transformation, fostering hope for a better future.



#### PARENTS MEETING

The meeting of families with children supported by Eden's Child specifically addressed the issue of low attendance at the Saturday Bible club, as it was observed that some children are not attending. Discussions also focused on the importance of hygiene, both personal and within our living environment. Additionally, the meeting covered family relationships, highlighting concerns that many children were dropping out of school or displaying behavior that does not align with Christian values, often due to conflicts within the family.



## SELF HELP GROUPS

Self-help groups continue to play a vital role in promoting economic self-sustainability among Eden's Child beneficiaries. These savings are invested in livestock and farming, providing both sustenance and income through surplus harvest sales. We have 59 self-help groups currently (Mukoni: 11, Save:2, Vumbi: 5, Karama: 13, Mukindo: 4, Runda: 9, Muhanga: 15), these groups collectively own 2 sheep, 2 cow, 230 chickens, 219 pigs, 78 rabbits, and 199 goats, which not only support agriculture but also provide manure to enrich farming. The initiative empowers families to address financial challenges, fostering resilience and self-reliance.

| No | Program | Number of groups | Total amount on<br>ACC |
|----|---------|------------------|------------------------|
| 1  | Mukoni  | 11               | 852,767                |
| 2  | Save    | 2                | 62,000                 |
| 3  | Vumbi   | 5                | 83,720                 |
| 4  | Muhanga | 15               | 4,859,520              |
| 5  | Runda   | 9                | 1,577,870              |
| 6  | Mukindo | 4                | 304,820                |
|    |         |                  | No report for          |
| 7  | Karama  | 13               | January                |
|    |         | 59               | 7,740,697              |



#### SELF HELP GROUP SUCCESS STORY

MUKARWEGO Jeannette, a 57-year-old mother who is in TUGANEHEZA self-help group, a mother of #44 NIYIKUNDANA Aline and five other children, is a hardworking role model in her village. Through Eden's Child self-help groups, she transformed her life by making wise investments. She bought a cow that produces six liters of milk daily, selling four and keeping two for her children, improving both nutrition and finances.

She also invested in agriculture, planting rice and corn, ensuring food security. As she prepares for next week's corn harvest, she plans to process it into maize flour for porridge and bread and the rest to the market. Today, she is using funds from the self-help group to repair her house, creating a safer home for her family. Additionally, Jeannette is grateful for the water filter from Eden's Child, ensuring her family drinks clean water. Eden's Child is committed to supporting and encouraging mothers to be independent and self-reliant for the future transformation of their families.



## **KIDS SAVING GROUPS**

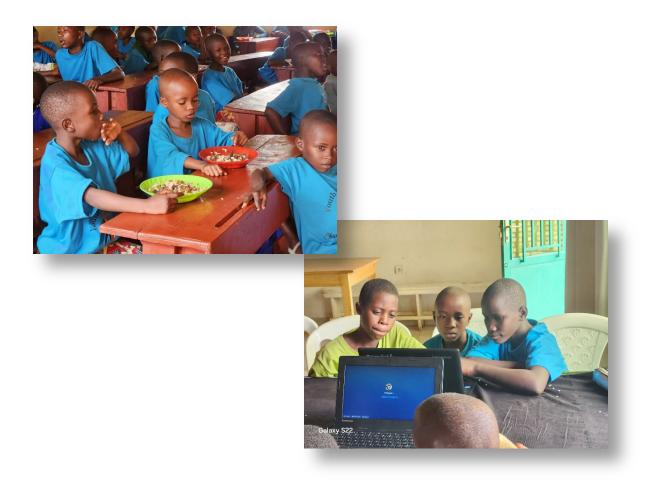
Sponsored kids' saving groups encourage financial responsibility and independence, empowering children to plan for their futures. These efforts aim to instill self-reliance and economic sustainability among beneficiaries.

Kids in below programs save 100RWF every Saturday after bible club, they now have 381,480RWF in Huye, and kids in Vumbi have 243,000RWF while in Muhanga they have 215,420RWF on their account in Eden Trust Fund. These kids are planning to buy a chicken for each one of the group's members.



#### SATURDAY BIBLE STUDY

Bible Club program continues to provide a nurturing environment for sponsored children, offering opportunities for spiritual growth, skill development (art & craft, ICT), self-help groups, and social interaction. Through engaging activities such as games, arts and crafts, and educational sessions, we strive to foster holistic development and positive learning experiences.



### CONCLUSION

Eden's Child remains steadfast in its mission to uplift vulnerable children and families by providing education, healthcare, food assistance, and empowering programs like self-help groups. We are committed to seizing every opportunity to transform lives within our sponsored families and the wider community.