

SPONSORSHIP REPORT



May
2025

GENERAL INTRODUCTION

The month of May 2025 marked another significant chapter in Eden's Child's ongoing commitment to transforming lives through sponsorship. Our efforts remained focused on nurturing the holistic well-being of sponsored children and their families—academically, spiritually, and economically. Throughout the month, our staff conducted school visits, followed up on health and education progress, and supported children with medical needs. We also continued to engage families through self-help groups and other community-building initiatives. The stories and progress highlighted in this report reflect the tangible impact of sponsorship and the power of collaborative support from our donors, staff and the wider community.

EDUCATION

School visitation

Emphasizing quality education remains a top priority for Eden's Child as we continue to provide access to education for all sponsored children, recognizing its power to transform lives. Our commitment includes covering school fees and learning materials for more than 900 sponsored children. In addition, our staff regularly visits them in their schools to monitor academic progress and encourage the application of Christian values and the Word of God learned through Bible Connect. These efforts help create an environment that is both supportive and conducive to learning. We strongly believe that investing in education is the most effective way to empower children and inspire lasting positive change in their lives.



2025-2026 Medical Insurance payments

Eden's Child is committed to improving the well-being of sponsored children and their families by providing annual health insurance for 2025–2026. In the first phase, coverage has been successfully extended to 3,365 family members, with a total of 10,095,000 Rwandan Francs paid. This initiative ensures that families have access to essential healthcare services, while also reducing the financial burden of medical expenses. By promoting healthier and more stable living conditions, Eden's Child is not only supporting individual households but also contributing to the development of stronger and more resilient communities.



NO	PROJECT	FAMILY MEMBERS	AMOUNT
1	HUYE	1,028	3,084,000
2	VUMBI	512	1,536,000
3	KARAMA	635	1,905,000
4	MUHANGA	729	2,187,000
5	RUNDA	170	510,000
6	KABUGA	55	165,000
7	MUKINDO	236	708,000
		3,365	10,095,000

Child Medication

Ishimwe Blaise MUK-169

On the night of 29th May 2025 at around 11:30 p.m., ISHIMWE Blaise suddenly fell sick with a high fever of 41°C caused by severe skin allergies (rashes).

He was immediately taken for medical attention and hospitalized.

Eden's Child stepped in to cover his medication and treatment costs, including transport.

Blaise received the necessary treatment at Grace health post.



Nishimwe Jeanne MKN- 62

Nishimwe Jeanne, a sponsored student in S4 MCE at Lycée de Rusatira, had an accident in February 2025, falling and injuring her back and head. Although she initially received first aid, two months later she began losing her vision, making it difficult to follow lessons. After being referred for specialized care, she underwent several medical consultations and was eventually scheduled for an MRI at King Faisal Hospital on May 20.

Medical Findings:

- The brain tissue (parenchyma), ventricles, subarachnoid spaces, and basal cisterns are all normal.
- Hippocampi, pituitary gland, and surrounding structures are normal.
- Paranasal sinuses and mastoid air cells are normal.

Impression:

- No signs of brain injury or complications were detected.
- Brain structures and orbital contents (related to vision) appear normal.

Medical Expenses so far: 80,770 RWF (including transport and meals).



SELF HELP GROUPS

Self-help groups continue to play a crucial role in promoting economic self-sustainability among Eden's Child beneficiaries. These groups actively save and invest in livestock and farming, ensuring both sustenance and additional income through surplus harvest sales. As of March, there are 61 self-help groups across different locations. Mukoni (13), Save (2), Vumbi (5), Karama (13), Mukindo (4), Runda (9), and Muhanga (15). Collectively, these groups this May owns 5 sheep, 1 cow, 246 chickens, 214 pigs, 124 rabbits, and 210 goats which collectively tally to 800 animals, and this is transforming their lives incredibly as they no longer spend money for manure fertilizer for their plants.

No	Program	Number of groups	Total Members	May Savings	Total amount on ACC
1	Mukoni	13	270	272,300	636,470
2	Save	2	27	51,200	108,700
3	Vumbi	5	98	74,600	125,370
4	Muhanga	15	199	79,100	5,096,240
5	Runda	9	157	76,200	1,382,620
6	Mukindo	4	59	44,300	249,550
7	Karama	13	120	75,600	195,970
	Total	61	930	669,700	7,794,920

Meetings with self-help groups

Several meetings were held with the Self-Help Group to address issues of participation, loan repayment, and group savings, with attendance varying across sessions. Key challenges identified included members failing to clear their monthly savings, which has slowed progress, misuse of loans, and lack of accountability in repayment. Some members were also found to borrow beyond their savings capacity, creating financial strain within the group. Members who delay payments will be required to justify the delays to avoid penalties, and all loan requests must be formally documented with clear repayment plans



SELF HELP GROUP SUCCESSFUL STORIES

Nikuze Josephine, a mother supported by Eden's Child, has a sponsored child named Niyomugabo Daniel and lives in Runyinya Cell, Mukindo Sector, Gisagara District. Her journey out of poverty began with a 500,000 FRW loan from SACCO Umucyo, which she used to start a food business selling items like beans, rice, and sorghum. Every harvest season, she earns a profit of about 300,000 FRW and dreams of expanding her business to supply markets in other provinces. She plans to open a shop that can store up to 3 tons of food. Grateful for the support from Eden's Child and donors, Josephine is filled with hope for a better future.



Mushimiyimana Gerardine's story

Mushimiyimana Gerardine, a single mother of three, one called Shimwa Lucky Godwin in our sponsorship program at Karama village is a proud member of INKINGI self-help group, started a tea-and-bread business with just 10,000 RWF. Support from Eden's Child sponsorship helped her cover essentials and reinvest in her venture. Two years later, she owns a 300,000 RWF shop. She now dreams of expanding it into a grocery store for Karama village. Gerardine's story shines with resilience and hope.



2025 Youth Focus Camp Meeting

The meeting held on May 8, 2025, hosted online on google meet with all Eden's child staff focused on planning the 2025 Youth Camp scheduled from August 17th to 22nd expected to take place at Petit Seminaire St Baptsite Taba in Butare, targeting participants from P6 to recent graduates. Key responsibilities were assigned for various logistics including transport, accommodation supplies, sound, competitions, and media coverage. A significant innovation introduced was the Eden's Child Journal, aimed at engaging children, preserving information, and facilitating communication of what happens in Youth camp and Eden's child generally.

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 393,300RWF in Huye, and kids in Vumbi have 253,200RWF while in Muhanga they have 446,000rwf savings in this month.



SATURDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Club Program continues to provide a nurturing environment for sponsored children, fostering spiritual growth, skill development, and social interaction. Children engage in various activities, including arts and crafts, ICT training, and participation in self-help groups, equipping them with valuable life skills. Interactive games and educational sessions further enhance their learning experience, promoting creativity and teamwork. A key highlight of the program is the opportunity for children to share a nutritious lunch, ensuring they receive essential nourishment for their well-being. Through these holistic activities, the program not only strengthens their faith but also empowers them with knowledge, confidence, and a sense of community.



Closing remarks

May 2025 showcased the unwavering commitment of Eden's Child to improving the lives of sponsored children and their families. Through educational support, medical care, food distribution, and self-help group initiatives, significant strides were made in empowering communities. The introduction of kids' saving groups and continued spiritual development further promoted long-term self-reliance. Each activity reflected deep care, strategic planning, and impactful collaboration. Eden's Child remains devoted to holistic transformation and sustainable growth for every child under its care.