

HEALTHCARE VOLUNTEER UGANDA (HVU)-2010/2011

Where does Healthcare Volunteer Uganda get much of the energies to do much of its voluntary work? The organization developed a slogan that has compelled both the local and external volunteers to assist in the implementation of projects and here it is; slogan which states; “No challenge is too great for us in Healthcare Volunteer Uganda to overcome if we work together to build our shared future. Small actions sustained over days, weeks, months and years with ***“Multiple-HIV/AIDS Preventive packages core program”*** can amount to a big difference. Through a small and steady monthly donation, you can make a commitment to improve lives for the vulnerable groups of people in Uganda - Sub Saharan Africa.”

With the above slogan therefore, Healthcare Volunteer Uganda is requesting support, both financial and in-kind to implement the following 3 projects in the hard to reach area of Uganda.

Project1: \$7800 to save the helpless impoverished 18,480 people gets to know their HIV/AIDS status.

HVU has been engaged by local leaders of the 3 hard to reach sub counties to help screen their people (18,480) so as they can be enrolled to local program called; Partnering for positive living livelihood program. In our response to this, our target was to cover 5 sub counties; so far we have already carried out the exercise in 2 sub counties and the 120 days HIV/AIDS Blood Screening exercise will cover the remaining sub counties of Kitumbi, Kalwana, and Kassanda of Mubende district, Uganda – sub Saharan Africa. This exercise targets 154 clients on a daily basis and basing on our experience, we hoped to cover the said population in 120 days. **Needed, is \$7800, External volunteers and in kind items like; 4 tables and 8 chairs, 2 tents and 1 camera which were not included in the budget. The \$7800 budget details are as follows;**

A – Motor vehicle hire for 120 days, each day at \$30 = \$3600.

B – Purchase of a laptop for data storage = \$ 850.

C – Lunch allowances for Healthcare volunteer worker = \$1 each person x 24 workers x 120 days = \$2880. -

D – HIV kits/strips, spirits, syringes, cotton, stationery, water (various) = \$470.

This exercise is hoped if all goes well to start in November, December 2010 and January 2011. Your material and financial support is very vital to us and our clients.

Project 2: Be part of the “Voices of the 824 girl HIV/AIDS orphans who are Voiceless” in Rakai –Uganda by supporting to raise \$65,312 to grant life to the hopeless Rakai children.

Healthcare volunteer Uganda using the external volunteers has been supporting and because of the overwhelming figure of 824 orphans and great pressure for support. We made plans to help those young girls who are residing and running their house holds in the fishing communities on the banks lakes Victoria and Kijanebalola in Rakai district, Uganda. HealthCare Volunteer has previously made connections in the area, and now sends volunteer medical staff to clinics throughout the region. We aim to build on these partnerships in order to implement an education and prevention program in the District, in line with the Uganda National Strategic Framework for HIV/AIDS activities. This program will begin as a year long **project**, which will be expanded into other areas in future years if successful.

The program aims to educate the population, especially the population of orphaned young girls that are running their households, in order to reduce the rate of increase of HIV/AIDS and other STIs in the area. We will achieve this through identifying and training local parish workers, education and support in local schools and youth clubs and through training of health staff in clinics in order to provide increased access to HIV services in the district.

For any other information I refer you the proposal I have attached to emails with pictures.

Project 3: Supporting to raise \$31,457 for "Camp Angelina Uganda HIV/AIDS Prevention and basic skills 2011" is a step to turning 200 girl orphans into HIV/AIDS Ambassadors and peer educators.

'Camp Angelina Uganda HIV/AIDS Prevention and basic skills' will be the first Camp of its kind to be organized by Healthcare Volunteer Uganda (HVV) and its International Ambassadors and Volunteer Advisors in Australia, Europe and USA. The Camp will attract a total of 200 girls OVCs from both districts (100 from Rakai and 100 from Kamuli) with an equal representation for both in-school and out-of-school young people. There will be a total of about 24 camp facilitators and presenters, 4 International Ambassadors and volunteer advisors, and 2 Camp directors.

Our goal and target for 2011 is to have 200 campers in all the two districts prepared/ mentored and equipped with HIV/AIDS required knowledge and basic skills to become child- peer educators, HIV/AIDS Ambassadors, role models in their Communities. 20 Resident parish Mobilisers (RPM)-10 from each district and 4 Healthcare Volunteer Uganda Staff will be trained/mentored prior to the camp, in different camp aspects like basics in Counseling, HIV/AIDS knowledge, games and other activities that will enhance community team work, life skills and relationship building and this will help to impart relevant knowledge required to the campers.

The camp will take place at the historical; **Namugongo - Uganda Martyrs Shrine**. This place has an excellent conducive learning atmosphere; electricity, water, food and accommodation are within the vicinity. The camp will be held in June 2011 starting on the 26th as reporting date at 4.00pm, and will end on 1st July, 2011. This will be a school holiday period in Uganda and will thus provide an opportunity for the facilitators some of whom are school teachers, and as well students to fully participate in the camp activities.