



The Uganda Martyrs Orphans' Project (UMOP) is an indigenous nonprofit, started in 1990 by a young girl Margaret Anyokorit. Margaret completed her first College degree and soon joined the religious congregation of the daughters of St. Paul. She was forced to leave the congregation before she took the vows as a novice because she was discovered to be infected with HIV the virus that causes AIDS. At that time, the world had just come to know of the virus and everybody was scared of it. Discrimination and Segregation based on HIV/AIDS status was at its high. This was a very dark period in the history of Uganda; particularly for children born in the eighties as 6 out of every 10 children were orphans of either HIV/AIDS or war. Margaret herself was an orphan as a result of the civil unrest that engulfed Uganda during the reign of Ugandan Dictatorial president of the time, Idi Amin Dada.



On her return to her village in Osukuru-Tororo, Margaret picked from the streets of Tororo, 35 children and with them, she started an orphanage-The Uganda Martyrs Orphans Project. In order to support and provide for their needs, she started a small poultry farm and with it she ignited her dream to support orphans of HIV/AIDS and war. Through this and some farming activities, Margaret raised some money to help keep her children at school.

In 2000, when Margaret's condition worsened, she reached out to her brother Rev. Fr. Centurio Olaboro to continue building her dream, breathing her last after instructing her brother "take care of my chickens-the children")

Margaret's dream has seen three institutions come up-The Great Aubrey College, Ma's Junior School and Osukuru Skills Development Institute that is now home to over 1600 school going children from majorly vulnerable backgrounds. Margaret's dream gives new hope and a brighter future for her community-Osukuru in a povertystricken and impoverished small country Uganda at large in modern time.

OUR VISION:

A world full of hope.

OUR MISSION:

To transform society through provision of hope.

OUR GOAL/AIM:

Inspire hope to the community.

OUR MOTTO:

"Hope for the future"

OUR CORE VALUES:

- Compassion.
- Integrity.
- Teamwork.
- Commitment.

OUR OBJECTIVES:

Uganda Martyrs Orphans' Project goals include;

- To advocate for orphans welfare.
- To advocate for vulnerable persons.
- To advocate for literacy through education.
- To create awareness on HIV/AIDS.
- To inspire hope through entrepreneurship.
- To provide technical skills training
- To develop talent & career amongst the youth.
- To engage in research and advocacy.
- To engage in savings and microfinance.
- To provide Research and consultancy services



WHO DO WE WORK WITH?

- Children who attend our schools.
- Teachers who teach the children.
- Prisoners in cells
- The elderly in the community
- Youth and other vulnerable persons.

OUR ACTIVITIES:

- Provision of formal classroom education,
- Guidance and counseling to PLWHIV/AIDS
- Family visitation of PLWHIV/AIDS.
- Outreach to women especially widows.
- Outreach to the prisoners in prisons
- Career guidance on drugs to school kids
- HIV/AIDS sensitization in the community.
- Family Visitations to prisoners in cells.
- Outreach to the elderly.
- Music dance and drama & Talent development
- Skilling in vocational technical skills.
- The Annual spelling bee.
- Research and base line surveys.
- Savings mobilization -Micro-finance.
- Youth summer & Peace camp.
- Farming.
- Games and sports.
- Art and Craft.

CHALLENGES/CONSTRAINTS:

1. Unreliable sources of funding.
2. Climate change affecting farming.
3. HIV/AIDS support still a challenge.
4. High poverty hindering parent support.
5. Inability to afford specialized skills
6. The computer gap affecting learning.
7. The cost of Medicare for the children.
8. Feeding challenge for the children.

How your generous support may help:

NO	Functional area	Monthly	Termly	Yearly
1	Tertiary/College fees	\$40	\$140	\$420
2	High School fees	\$30	\$120	\$360
3	Elementary fees	\$25	\$100	\$300
4	Feeding program	\$20	\$100	\$300
5	Kindergarten fees	\$25	\$100	\$300
6	Stipend for a teacher	\$20	\$60	\$180
7	Fish Farming	\$20	\$50	\$150
8	Cooking & Catering	\$20	\$50	\$150
9	Art & craft	\$20	\$40	\$120
10	The Sports program	\$15	\$45	\$120
11	Spelling Bee	\$20	\$60	\$180
12	Medical support	\$20	\$60	\$180
13	Widows and elderly	\$10	\$30	\$90
14	outreach to prisoners	\$10	\$30	\$90
15	Tailoring & fashion	\$10	\$30	\$90
16	A text Book fund	\$10	\$30	\$90
17	A classroom desk	\$10	\$30	\$90
18	School uniform	\$10	\$30	\$90
19	Music,Dance&Drama	\$10	\$30	\$90
20	Clothing for a child	\$10	\$30	\$90

OUR PAST AND CURRENT PARTNERS:

- 1) Daniel Kelly and his wife
- 2) Ma Jaya Bhagavati of Kashi-USA
- 3) The Anthill foundation-USA
- 4) Inter- Ethnic Alliance-USA
- 5) Friends-Together-USA
- 6) World Food Program-Uganda
- 7) Healing by Design-USA
- 8) The SOMO friends-USA
- 9) Engineers without borders-USA
- 10) The United Village-USA
- 11) Maher-India
- 12) Tororo District Local Government,
- 13) Okaloosa Aids support Organisation
- 14) International Labour Organisation (ILO)
- 15) CARITAS Antionina-Italy
- 16) Olympe Cycle Brussels, Belgium
- 17) The Interfaith community Sanctuary
- 18) The Government of Uganda
- 19) The Ministry of health-Uganda
- 20) Many individuals of good will.

You too, can join the above in making a difference little by little, one step at a time.

OUR FUTURE PLANS AND HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- 1) Establish a health unit.
- 2) Additional housing for children.
- 3) A bus due to increasing number.

SUPPORT/ DONATE TO US ON:

1. Consider writing us a check through [Interfaith Community Sanctuary \(ICS\)](#) and write United Village in the memo. ICS is a 501c3 nonprofit.
2. You can also directly donate to us from www.interfaithcommunitysanctuary.org Put Sponsorship for Uganda in the "note to seller"
3. You may also ask for a personal account for one of our staff opened with Bank of America and we shall share it for direct and quicker deposit.

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