

## S.A.L.V.E. International Community Mapping Research Project Masese

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## Introduction

S.A.L.V.E. International works with children living on the streets of Jinja, Uganda to help them leave the streets and return home to their families and re-enter education.

The purpose of this research was to map out the organisations, schools and vocational training centres working in Masese.

Often when we are working in the community, we are approached by members of that community in need of services that we are unable to provide. We are aware that there are many organisations providing a range of services to meet the needs of the local community and we wanted to come up with a directory of these organisations so that in the future, when we come across someone in need of a service we are unable to provide, we can refer them to an organisation who may be able to offer them the support they need.

We hope that this research will not only benefit S.A.L.V.E. but also all of the organisations and schools involved in this research as well as local leaders of the community.

Alongside this directory, we will be creating an online map with all of the organisations and schools in this directory, where any new schools or organisations can be added.

# Schools

#### **Daystar Nursery and Primary School**

Name of organisation: Daystar Nursery and Primary School, Plot 38/42 Scott Road, Masese III, Walukuba / Masese Division, P.O. Box 1523.

Type of organisation: Private School

**Date founded:** Founded as a Nursery School in 2007 (expanded to its present size in 2012)

**Contact details:** Telephone Number: 0784 912 499 (Batyakunyaga Rose). Email address: godzfavoured@gmail.com



**Facilities:** No formal boarding facilities available for students to be accommodated on site but there is an unofficial area for pupils to stay at in extreme situations. Small library with a few books and 4 computers.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** Founded to assist children in need. The school's moto is "Knowledge is Wealth." In the eyes of the school, the value of education cannot be underestimated.

**Services offered:** The curriculum is structured around Christianity with a focus on boosting children's academic, moral and skill development. Music, dance and drama are heavily encouraged for those students who are less academic and they believe every child has potential. Vocational training is offered and lunch is provided.

Clientele: 580 students between the school years of Nursery and P.7.

Staff: 16 staff members (5 non-teaching)

**Fees and funding:** Fees vary between 30,000 Ugandan shillings for those students who are less privileged up to 80,000 for those who have the means to pay. There are also allowances available for those students who cannot afford to purchase a uniform. Parents are however required to supply books.

**Complementary services:** There is a Bible study group operating in the slum area where the children who cannot attend school can engage with Daystar staff.

Selection procedure: Despite being a Christian school, children from any religion are accepted.

**Success rate:** Proven success with vocational training programme. Students often progress to secondary schools in the local area although some who progress beyond P.7 have returned to the school in the past.

**Inter-organisational work:** The school collaborated with the Canadian organisation, Christian Horizons, in order to construct parts of the school. It is aware of the following organisations: Jinja Connection, One More Child, Children of Grace, Amazima Ministries, Child Development Center, Macedonian Village Outreach.

Future plans: The school has plans for expansion and to offer more vocational training courses.

#### FR. Bodewig Nursery & Primary School

Name of organisation: FR. Bodewig Nursery & Primary School, P.O. Box 546, Jinja (U), Plot No. 27, Nsajja Road, Masese III

Type of organisation: Primary School

Date founded: 2012

**Facilities:** The school has a small library. There are boarding facilities for some pupils.

Founding Ethos / Mission Statement: The school was founded by a

Catholic organisation to help those who are struggling in Masese to get an education and also to provide medical assistance through a clinic which is open two days a week.

**Services offered:** Classes for pupils up to P4 (and up to P6 for school drop-outs) with 25 children in each class. The community clinic has a doctor and is open for two days per week. There is a vocational training programme which accommodates 25 women. Additionally there is a day-time outreach programme for social development targeted at local women. This includes classes on malnutrition, managing sickness and self-help.

Clientele: approximately 180 students up to P.4. from Masese.

Staff: Five sisters run the school (and teachers).

**Fees and funding:** Buildings and food are funded by Mr. Alfonso who visits the school every year to see how FR Bodewig is progressing. Some of the children are sponsored whilst others attend free of charge due to their circumstances.

**Complementary services:** Majority of students are sponsored through organisations. The Community programmes are also free.

**Selection procedure:** The children enter at the age of three via an application form. Pupils are not discriminated against based on religion despite the school's Catholic roots. Preference is given to lower achieving students.

**Inter-organisational work:** The Ministry of Education calls meetings at the school where FR Bodewig is able to meet other schools in the area. As a result, FR Bodewig is aware of many of the schools in the local area such as HELP.

**Future plans:** Construction of a secondary school is currently underway with the completion date set for December 2016. There are also plans to extend the vocational training courses at the school and to accommodate pupils up to S6.



#### **HELP Primary School**

Name of organisation: HELP Primary School, P.O. Box 60, Jinja

Type of organisation: Primary School and organisation

Date founded: 2009

Contact details: Mr. Otim Joseph (Head teacher), 0782747883

**Facilities:** There is a computer room with around 10 computers which were donated to the school. A small library has some books



(mainly maths and English) for students in P3 and upwards. The school has a rehabilitation centre for the children who are homeless but there are no accommodation facilities.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The school was opened with the aim of helping street children. Many of these children began to live on the streets as their young mothers could not support them.

**Services offered:** Nursery classes up to P7. The national curriculum subjects are taught. These include: English, maths, IT, social studies, science, Music and sometimes P.E. There is a vocational wing offering tailoring and driving courses which are attended by 24 youths. Free computing lessons are offered to community members but some advanced courses do require payment.

**Clientele:** There are 550 students in total ranging between the ages of 5 and 15. 30 of these children are street children. There are 30-40 students per class and the classes range from Nursery to P.7. Nursery students attend from 7:30 am – 1pm.

Staff: 16 teachers work at the school.

**Fees and funding:** Free to attend except 15,000 shillings per term for food. This includes breakfast and lunch. However parents do have to provide uniform, paper and books. The wages of the workers and the fees of the students are funded by HELP International.

Complementary services: The services are free of charge

Selection procedure: There are no specific requirements

**Success rate:** In 2015, 28/32 of P.7 students passed the year and progressed to higher education. Some children come back to repeat the year and others progress to vocational training such as tailoring and computing.

**Inter-organisational work:** It is a common problem that people struggle to get children into school. With the help of many different organisations, HELP school aims to tackle this problem. They work with the police in getting children sent back to the school. The school is also open to working with organisations like S.A.L.V.E.

#### **Masese II Child Friendly Space**

Name of organisation: Masese II Child Friendly Space

Type of organisation: Primary School

Year founded: Unknown

**Contact details:** Manzala Ruth (Head Mistress) can be contacted on the following telephone numbers: 0785028371 / 0703289205.

Facilities: 3 classrooms and a playground.

Founding Ethos / Mission Statement: Was founded in order to help children in need within the local community.

Services offered: Child Friendly Space teaches learning development levels 1 & 2.

**Clientele:** The children range between the ages of 3 to 7. There are three classes.

Staff: 3 members of staff

**Fees and funding:** There is a 10,000 shillings charge. However, not all children pay this. Books have to be bought by the children. In certain circumstances these will be provided.

**Complementary services:** Children pay 10,000 shillings to attend.

Selection procedure: Depends on the circumstances of the children.

Success rate: The children generally progress to nearby primary schools such as HELP.

Inter-organisational work: Works with Adolescent Support Network (ADSN) and local schools.

**Referrals process:** Children usually referred to nearby primary schools.

Future plans: There are plans to construct more buildings which would allow classes up to P.2.

#### **Masese Co Education Primary School**

Name of organisation: Masese Co Education Primary School, P.O. Box 752, Jinja

Type of organisation: Primary School

**Date founded:** The school was founded in 1927 by the Church of Uganda. It is the oldest school in Jinja.

**Contact details:** Babirye Christine (Head teacher), 0752383413, Babiryechristine468@g.mail.com

Facilities: There is a small library and the school also has 2 computers.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The school was founded to give children from Masese and the surrounding area an education.

**Services offered:** Students between the ages of 6 and 14 (from P1-P7) are taught the national curriculum. This includes lessons on maths, RE, PE, English, science, music, social studies and arts & crafts. The school also offers guidance and counselling for street children.

**Clientele:** There are 995 students of which 55 are boarders. Around 120 of the students are street children. Class sizes vary from 228 in P.1 to 64 children in P.7, decreasing in size for every year group. The pupils are aged between 6-12/14.

Staff: There are 25 teachers at the school who are all trained in their academic disciplines.

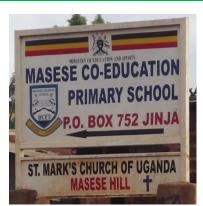
**Fees and funding**: Fees are 45,000 shillings per term. This includes books and stationary but uniform is not included in this price. Food at the school is currently provided by Amazima Ministries feeding programme. Bursary schemes are available for certain students such as those from the street.

**Selection procedure:** All type of students are accepted but the school is orientated around the Church of Uganda.

#### Success rate: Good

Inter-organisational work: The school partners with Amazima Ministries to provide the feeding programme.

**Future plans:** There is a proposed vocational training scheme for post P7 pupils including tailoring, computing, arts & crafts.



#### **Mother Kevin Secondary School**

Name of organisation: Mother Kevin Secondary School, P.O. Box 431, Jinja.

Type of organisation: Secondary School

Year founded: Founded by the Catholic Church in 1997

**Contact details:** Nyapexididara Florence, Email address: <u>philomemadora@yahoo.com</u>, Telephone number: 0787011920

**Facilities:** There is boarding accommodation, a science laboratory, a computer room with 41 computers and a library.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The school was founded to help children in need to have a future by providing them with a school and helping to keep them in education. Their motto is 'Cast Your Nets.'

**Services offered:** The National Curriculum subjects are taught including English language, English literature, geography, history, physics, chemistry, biology, music, fine art and computing. In addition, they offer guidance, counselling and knowledge of health and sexually transmitted diseases and infections. Manners are heavily emphasised. Spiritual guidance is also offered along with help managing personal affairs. Vocational training is not offered.

**Clientele:** There are currently 402 students at the school from the years S1 to S6. There is a limited catchment area so the students come from the surrounding region i.e. Masese and Walakuba. There are some boarding and some day pupils. They range between 11 and 21 years. Some of the older pupils were formerly children living on the streets.

Staff: There are a total of 35 teachers and staff.

**Fees and funding:** There is a cost of 186,000 shillings per term which includes meals and pays for the running water and electricity. For boarders the fee is 426,000. Uniforms and equipment are not included.

Selection procedure: They accept all pupils.

**Success rate:** After leaving Mother Kevin at S4 or S6, pupils usually progress into tertiary institutions. Some go to do medicine courses / IDA. The school was recently 4th in the Jinja District.

**Inter-organisational work:** The school work with or have worked with the following organisations: Children of Grace, Jinja Municipal Council and Bidco.

Future plans: To improve facilities and increase the number of students at the school.



#### **Pearl Pre-School**

Name of organisation: Pearl Pre-School, Plot 43, Tabingwa Road, Walukuba.

Type of organisation: Private Pre-School

Year founded: 2012 (May)

**Contact details:** Pearl Pre-School can be contacted on the following telephone numbers: 0434 132 822, 0703 489 567, 0782 475 710.



Facilities: The school has a library and play materials. There is no boarding.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** 'To provide each child with diverse education in a safe supportive environment that promotes self-discipline, motivation, excellence in learning, fear of God and respect for others.' The school motto is: 'Taking small steps to Greatness.'

**Services offered:** Basic numeracy and literacy skills are taught amongst others. Swimming lessons are provided but not on site.

**Clientele:** 77 children are enrolled at Pearl. These children range between the ages of 1 and 6. The children are said to come from 'average' backgrounds.

**Staff:** There are 9 teachers at the school. As there are four classes this means that there are 2 members of staff per class.

**Fees and funding:** Tuition fees at the school are 350,000 Ugandan shillings. This includes food but not uniform which costs around 100,000 Ugandan shillings. Students usually attend between the times of 8 am and 12:30 pm. Some children remain on site until 4:30 pm depending on their parents' working schedules. For this service Pearl charges more money.

Selection procedure: This is largely determined by means to pay as Pearl is a private Pre-School.

Success rate: Students usually progress to schools outside of Jinja.

**Future plans:** Pearl would like to construct a primary school in the future. The school will also maintain its vision which is 'To be a role model in providing quality early childhood education and development services.'

## St. Florence Nursery & Primary School

Name of organisation: St. Florence Nursery & Primary School, P.O. Box 1551, Jinja.

Type of organisation: Primary School

Year founded: 2004

**Contact details:** The Funder, Mr. Wepukulo Charles can be contacted on: 0787551187

Facilities: There are three classrooms.



Founding Ethos/Mission Statement: Was founded to give poor children in Masese an education.

Services offered: All subjects are taught. There are no vocational training programmes offered.

**Clientele:** 180 pupils with around 30 children per class. There are classes from Nursery to P.7.

Staff: 10 staff.

**Fees and funding:** Fees cost 40,000 shillings per term (120,000 for the year). Uniform costs 20,000 and lunch costs 35,000. Students must also pay a 10,000 shillings registration fee.

Selection procedure: No specific requirements

**Inter-organisational work:** St. Florence were aware of organisation such as Amazima, Day Star, Lakeside, Masese-Co, The Street Child Project and Mama & Me.

Future plans: St. Florence would like to improve facilities at the school.

# Organisations

#### Amazima Ministries Feeding Programme

**Name of organisation:** Amazima Ministries Feeding Programme [located opposite Masese-Co Primary School]

**Type of organisation:** Community based organisation [CBO] providing food to children who are in school and those from the local community. On a broader scale they also want to help children in to education.



**Year founded:** The organisation has operated at its current location since 2009 (shortly after the founding of Amazima Ministries earlier in the same year).

Contact details: Rose Mafubiro, Telephone Number: 0756647967

**Facilities:** Kitchen providing food for children. By providing food, the aim is to discourage children to turn to the streets.

Founding Ethos / Mission Statement: Amazima founded their base at Masese-Co to provide food for those children in need.

**Services offered:** Food is provided between Monday and Friday (but services are not provided on the weekends as there are two other organisations in Masese operating on Saturday and Sunday).

**Clientele:** The organisation works with approximately 500-600 school children and 350-450 children from the community on a daily basis. These children range between the school years of Nursery and P.7.

Staff: A handful of staff serving as cooks for the programme.

**Fees and funding:** No fees are charged. The money required to fund the project comes mainly from private donors in North America and Europe.

**Complementary services:** Services are provided free of cost with community members bringing their own plates. Amazima also funds some children who are in need to attend school.

**Selection procedure:** Children living in the local area and those enrolled and attending Masese-Co Primary School.

Success rate: The feeding programme has grown in size since it began.

Future plans: A secondary school is been constructed.

#### **Amazima Ministries**

Name of organisation: Amazima Ministries, Main Street, Jinja.

Type of organisation: NGO

Year founded: 2009 by Katie Davis Majors

**Contact details:** Bradley Lang (Operations Director). He can be contacted by visiting Amazima's offices in town which are located at PO Box 775 or by emailing <u>blang@amazima.org</u>. For further visit: <u>https://amazima.org/</u>



Facilities: Office facilities on Main Street, Jinja Town.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The organisation exists to help educate and empower the people of Uganda through God's love.

**Services offered:** Amazima sponsors over 700 children to go to school and runs a feeding programme at Masese-Co Primary School, feeding approximately 500 children from the school and 500 from the surrounding area daily. They also run a women's empowerment programme for 30 women who make bead necklaces through their self-sustaining vocational programme. It is hoped that the salaries which these women earn can then be used to fund their children's education. There is an emphasis placed on rehabilitation rather than training.

According to their website, Amazima has six key areas of focus. These are: The Amazima School, Education Sponsorship Outreach, Masese Feeding Outreach, Masese Women's Breeding Circle, Medical Care Outreach and Farming Outreach.

**Clientele:** An accurate figure is hard to say but there are hundreds of children and mother's involved with Amazima Ministries.

Staff: There are approximately 70 members of staff

Fees and funding: The funds come largely from private donors all over the world.

Selection procedure: Emphasis is placed on a child's background mainly.

**Success rate:** Hundreds of children have received an education through Amazima's school sponsorship programme.

**Inter-organisational work:** Amazima is in partnership with Masese-Co for the feeding programme. They also work with One More Child, Compassion International and Heal.

**Future plans:** They are currently building a secondary school on the other side of the Nile and want to focus on providing education.

### Child Restoration Outreach (CRO)

Name of organisation: Child Restoration Outreach (CRO), P.O. Box 2179, Jinja.

Type of organisation: NGO

Year founded: 1992

**Contact details:** 0702462527 / 0772462527 (Odemgo Joseph) and 0750692530 / 0782494303 (Dorothy Namarome). Their landline is: 043121191 website: <u>www.croug.org</u> email:: childrestorationoutreachjinja@gmail.com

**Facilities:** They have a building in Jinja with facilities for children to eat, rest and receive counselling, education and medicine.

**Founding Ethos/Mission Statement:** The organisation 'is an NGO established in 1992 by a Dutch national, Ingrid Wilts, together with a group of local Christians in Mbale, Uganda to address the problem of street children following instability in Teso and Karamoja sub-regions.' Their aim is to reunite children with their families. Their motto is: 'Rescuing children from the street and reintegrating them into families.'

**Services offered:** CRO runs a drop in centre in Jinja where children can gather, bathe, eat, play sports and receive rehabilitation classes and counselling. A nurse is available to dispense medicine to ill children. The social workers also do 'street wals' to locate street children. Their aim is to resettle street children throughout Uganda. Once a child has been resettled, follow-up visits take place and children are enrolled into education if the need is there. In addition, CRO teaches micro-finance to members of the community.

**Clientele:** There is capacity for 50 children aged between 6 and 17 years of age.

Staff: 8 members of staff work in Jinja.

Fees and funding: Private donations fund their work. The children do not pay to attend.

Complementary services: All services are free of charge.

Selection procedure: Street Children

Success rate: Many children have been resettled.

Referrals process: Some children are referred to other sister organisations as not every child is accepted.

Future plans: Further expansion planned to accommodate more street children.

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Child Restoration Outreach

Rescuing children from the street and reintegrating them into families.

#### **Greater Love Center for Women's Ministries**

Name of organisation: Greater Love Center for Women's Ministries, Plot 39 Tabingwa Road, Walukuba East, P.O. Box 769, Jinja.

Type of organisation: Community organisation

**Year founded:** 2015. It has been operating for just over a year in its current location.

Contact details: Telephone Numbers: +256 774881372 /

+256 753881378. The Community Research Team spoke with Annet, she can be contacted on: 0754738252.

Facilities: Building on Tabingwa Road with consultation rooms.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The organisation was founded to provide peer counselling at no cost. They also aim to aid economic empowerment and increase education opportunities for women within the community through support groups, bible studies, prayer groups and family parenting advice. They target women.

**Services offered:** Offer free counselling to women in the local area. It was felt that counselling is a service much undervalued in Africa.

**Clientele:** Women and girls in the local area above the age of 13. They hear about the services offered by word of mouth. The organisation wants to recruit more women through advertisements at local churches as religious settings are a good way to spread information.

Staff: 20 full or part-time counsellors.

Fees and funding: Counselling is free of charge.

Complementary services: All services are free of charge.

**Selection procedure:** Only women are allowed to attend and benefit from their services. All women are allowed.

**Inter-organisational work:** They would like to be involved with more organisations in the future. They are aware of CRO.

Referrals process: There is currently no referral process.

Future plans: Possible expansion and begin working with other organisations.



#### Jeremiah House

**Name of organisation:** Jeremiah House (formerly The Sanctuary Uganda). It is located across the Nile from Jinja Town.

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Type of organisation: NGO

Year founded: Founded in 2009

**Contact details:** Telephone Number: 0701 585 621 (Jerome). He can also be contacted on <u>madingjerom@yahoo.com</u> or <u>madingjerom@gmail.com</u>.

**Facilities:** The facilities at Jeremiah House allow for boarding with an approximate capacity of 15. At this home the children are provided with food and medicine. There are also facilities to provide extra lessons if a child requires them outside of school and a small library.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** Jeremiah House aims to rehabilitate the children who were formerly on the street and teach them to become valued citizens and to care for themselves. Jeremiah House emphasises the importance of home. They also offer vocational training and counselling.

**Services offered:** Jeremiah House shelters former street children and provides them with schooling and healthcare (if needed). All the participants are taken for medical check-ups and are allocated a carer within the first week. There are some day scholars and some boarders. The children's also take part in skill building activities such as book-making, jewellery making, candle making, guitar and piano lessons, football and breakdancing.

**Clientele:** Street children and their families (through counselling services). They work with fifteen families around Jinja and numerous families within Masese. The children enrolled on the program are generally between the ages of 10 and 18. Jeremiah House continues to support children beyond the age of 18 and therefore there are older boys around the ages of 23-25 enrolled on their programme.

Staff: There are approximately 8 staff.

**Fees and funding:** All aspects of the services provided are funded i.e. school scholarships. These funds come from Canada (the country of Jeremiah's founder) and are largely from church donations.

**Selection procedure:** Jeremiah House works with any child who has been living on the streets who are above the age of 10.

Success rate: Once children are settled into life away from the streets, they perform extremely well.

**Inter-organisational work:** Jeremiah House works with the following organisations: Jinja Connections, Street Child Project, GI ASCO, CRO and One More Child. They also know of S.A.L.V.E.

**Referrals process:** Most children are referred to Jeremiah House through Jinja Connections when conditions at home are too bad for a child to be resettled immediately.

**Future plans:** The charity plans to help many more children. They would ideally like to expand by buying more land, to stop having to rent and be able to farm more.

#### Jinja Connection

Name of organisation: Jinja Connection

**Type of organisation:** Organisation offering educational based programmes for street children.



Year Founded: 2012 by Allison Edwards (allison edwards22@hotmail.com).

**Contact details:** Ibrahim Abdul-Hamed (Senior Social Worker). He can be contacted on <u>Ibrahim.abdulhamed6@gmail.com</u> or via telephone on 0702376074 (+256). Jinja Connections website can be viewed via: <u>http://ugandastreetkids.org/jinja-connection/</u>

**Facilities:** A drop-in centre in Jinja where children can attend classes and have breakfast and lunch. There are classrooms and offices at the centre.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** Jinja Connection's aim is: 'to empower these children while giving them education and allowing them to be positive contributing members of their community.' They are 'committed to providing quality education, medical care, personal growth, life and decision making skills, as well showing each child one on one attention and love.' They want children to learn without discrimination.

**Services offered:** They aid, rehabilitate and educate children living on the streets of Uganda by enrolling them onto their programme. Classes are run at the drop-in centre in Jinja to rehabilitate the street children. Those in Nursery to P.3 attend one and those in P.4-P.6 attend the other. Their aim is to reintegrate children with their families. The home environment is assessed beforehand and if this is acceptable then follow-up visits take place at the home to monitor the children. The street children are initially identified through street walks.

**Clientele:** Full and part-time street children. Some of them come from Masese and are in Jinja during the day. Those full-time street children are invited to Jinja Connections drop-in centre for rehabilitation in Jinja town usually following street walks to locate them. They can accommodate a maximum of 20 children at a time and are usually aged between 8 and 16, although they can work with older children if the individual sponsorship allows.

**Staff:** In total there are 5 staff (including 2 teachers, 2 social workers and a supervisor) plus a voluntary Director (who is not paid). A further 8 support staff help to deliver the services provided.

Fees and funding: Individual sponsorship and private donors. International team based in Canada.

Complementary services: All services

Selection procedure: Any child who Jinja Connection meets on the streets is invited to the drop-in centre.

Success rate: Many children have been helped off the streets and reintegrated back into their families.

**Inter-organisational work:** Jinja Connection is in partnership with many organisations including S.A.L.V.E. (who they share the drop-in centre with). Others include GI Asco, Street Child Project, CRO, Ring of Hope, Jeremiah House and Masese-Co.

**Future plans:** The organisation's vision is 'for every child attending our program to get off the streets and back home with family where they can then receive a proper education and become a positive contributing member of their community.'

#### Kisoboka

Name of organisation: Kisoboka in Mpumudde

**Type of organisation:** Community organisation which offers vocational training.

Year founded: 2012 by Paul van Gist

Contact details: Peruth, Phone: 0774368808 / 0704368806 Email address: nakasaikya@gmail.com

**Facilities:** The site in the village of Mpumudde consists of offices and classrooms. These classrooms house the vocational training classes such as dancing, computing and tailoring. There is also a house a short distance away which can accommodate four children.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** To support children living on the streets and to resettle them into a family environment within six months. Kisoboka locates children living on the streets and befriends them. This helps to build trust between the organisation and the individual. Once this trust has been achieved by talking to the individual, the child is invited to spend time with the organisation where they can receive education such as vocational training before being resettled to their families.

**Services offered:** Kisoboka has three key areas of focus. These are rehabilitation, empowerment and education. These take place either within the community or at the centre.

**Clientele:** In term time there are around 18 pupils generally between the ages of 16 and 30. Some can be as young as 12 and tend to be girls who were forced to leave school early due to falling pregnant.

**Staff:** Currently there are 3 staff on the team that Peruth works on. There are also staff and overseas volunteers from the Netherlands that support the organisation with fundraising.

**Fees and funding:** Services are free of charge except for the vocational training. These sessions cost 1000 shillings. School fees are provided for 5 children at the moment and in September this number will rise to 7. These scholarships are funded equally between Kisoboka and the child's family or a private donor if the family cannot afford. Private donors usually come from The Netherlands.

**Complementary services:** All services (accept vocational training) are provided free of charge.

**Selection procedure:** There are requirements which must be met in order for the children to be accepted on to the programme. There is also a no tolerance policy towards street children who are addicted to drugs and so they are not accepted. In this situation, Kisoboka refers these children (although not officially) to organisations such as S.A.L.V.E. Children are not required to be a certain religion but must be aged above 12.

**Success rate:** The majority of the children are successfully resettled home and return to school locally to their families.

**Inter-organisational work:** Kisoboka works with the following organisations: Jinja Connections/Jeremiah House, C.R.O., S.A.L.V.E. and GI ASCO.

**Referrals process:** Unofficial referral of street children who have addictions to drugs is used in unique circumstances. These children are referred to organisations such as S.A.L.V.E.

**Future plans:** Kisoboka aims to construct a new building which will serve as a home for the children. They also aim to rebuild a collapsed building (which housed offices and the break-dancing classes) and complete construction of the compound wall.



#### **Macedonia Vision Africa**

**Name of organisation:** Macedonia Vision Africa [MVA], P.O.Box 1711, Jinja.

Type of organisation: NGO

Contact details: 0751985212 (Director Richard)

Facilities: 8 acre plot of land

Founding Ethos / Mission Statement: 'Proclaiming God's Grace

through Mood and Deed by Equipping, Empowering and Transforming People's Lives,'



The organisation's Director recognised Masese as an area in need of support and initially he invested 700,000 shillings of his own money to start Macedonia Vision Africa. One of the key motivations for MVA is that women often make as little as 1000 shillings per day, which is not enough to afford school fees for their children. Therefore, MVA aims to improve people's standard of life.

**Services offered:** Macedonian Vision Africa provide strong pastoral support and a place of belonging for the children they work with. This is achieved by having a strong support network within the organisation. They also seek jobs for the children in their courses and carry out regular follow up for the children they support. Since 2012 the organisation has operated a vocational training initiative. The majority of the work that MVA does for the people on this programme is getting them funding in order to buy materials which can then be used to make sanitary pads.

**Clientele:** In 2014 they recognised the limitations of only working with women and the necessity of also educating men. Consequently, the Macedonian Girl's Initiative became the Macedonian Youth Initiative as. They currently support 145 children at various schools (both primary and secondary) in Masese. They are utilising a government program which caters for pre-P.7 schooling and catering for children of young mothers.

Fees and funding: Donations fund the programmes.

**Selection procedure:** There are several requirements which must be met before children can engage with MVA. Firstly, they must be an orphan or have only one parent. They must show a desire to obtain an education and show that they have been trying to attend school. There are age restrictions (for further information it is worth contacting MVA directly). The vocational training has no upper age limit and the oldest student is in her 30s.

**Inter-organisational work:** MVA works with schools in and around Masese and Walakuba. They collaborate with Help International and Compassion International.

#### Mama and Me

Name of organisation: Mama and Me

**Type of organisation:** It is a Dutch foundation, recognized as ANBI (public benefit organization) and working as Community Based Organisation (CBO) in Jinja.

Year founded: 2014 (October)

**Contact details:** Telephone Number: 0773540283 (Olivia) +316,122,261 35 Email address: <u>info@mamaandmeuganda.com</u> Website: <u>http://mamaandmeuganda.com/</u> Social Media: facebook.com/mamaandmeuganda

**Facilities:** Building opposite Masese II Child Friendly Space. It has rooms for the children and offices. There are also beds for the children to sleep on during the day. They are soon moving to Danida Street.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The organisation was founded with the intention of sponsoring mothers before they are forced to give up their child/children for adoption. The aims of the project are very much focused on a wide range of individuals. These vary from assisting teenage girls, to older mothers and even fathers (although these rarely attend). Mamma & Me supports, guides, coaches and trains mothers in Uganda, to enhance their knowledge, skills and self-reliance for a better, more independent future with their baby.

**Services offered:** At Mama and Me's base on the edge of Masese, about 25 children daily are collected and cared for by mothers from the project. This babysitter project provides an income for mothers and children receive attention, food and, if necessary, medical care.

**Clientele:** 15 mothers attend the programme on a regular basis with a further 10 attending occasionally. The vast majority are residents of Masese III with some coming from Karamoja.

**Staff:** Two social workers are employed at Mama and Me along with babysitters. A girl also lives in the house to look after the children who are dropped off at the centre early.

**Fees and funding:** The mothers pay for salt and matches. They are also required to show commitment to the programme in numerous ways. For example, the participants must attend a weekly meeting on a Tuesday evening where they demonstrate a commitment to child cleanliness. 7 children also receive funding to help with education which includes school fees, rent, medical care etc. The project is funded largely via private donations.

**Complementary services:** Vocational hairdresser training courses are offered. Mama and Me pay a hairdresser who provides the women with basic skills. Note that this training does not resort in an official qualification such as a diploma. The aim of this initiative is to provide opportunities for financial security in the future.

**Selection procedure:** Children have to be accompanied by their mother's. The mother's must also show commitment to the programme.

Success Rates: Many of the children progress to nearby schools. Mama & Me pay for their school fees.

Future plans: Would like to expand.

#### **NEMACY** Uganda

Name of organisation: Nemacy - Uganda Network for Empowerment of the Marginalised Child and Youth. The organisation was formerly known as Jinja network (JINNET). Nemacy operates nationwide but concentrates on the Busoga region. They can be found at the following address: Plots 7, 9, 11 & 13 Kaluba Road, Mpumudde, P.O. Box 1028, Jinja.



**Type of organisation:** A membership organisation consisting of; Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Community Based Organizations (CBOs), Child Rights Advocates (CRAs) and Government Departments.

**Year founded:** 2001 by Rev Fr Kees Groenwoud, Tim Malcomsen, Mr. Ben Kaluba, Mr. Jimmy Obbo Ivans, Mr. Everest Maraka and others.

**Contact details:** Telephone numbers: +256 434 660813, +256 776 131414 / +256 754 131414 Email address: jinnet03@yahoo.co.uk Website: www.nemacyug.org

Facilities: There is accommodation on site which has capacity for 30 children.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The organisation was started 'as a response to harmonize the different interventions for promising Children / Youths welfare fronted by Society Organisations in Jinja District and Jinja Municipal Authorities.'

**Services offered:** There are four key areas of work which Nemacy operates. These are: Research, Child Protection, Education and Child Exploitation.

- (i) Research is into the local area.
- (ii) Child Protection through mass media campaigns (i.e. radio), a child helpline, referral networks, school clubs. Nemacy has trained approximately 300 children who are involved in shows on the radio. This is possible through Nemacy's partnerships with two radio stations.
- (iii) Education The organisation contributes to increased standards in education through local community and government partnerships. The aim is to improve the quality of primary education.
- (iv) Child exploitation examination of child labour in certain areas such as the sugar cane industry.

Nemacy shelters children who have been abused before reintegrating them back with their families. This process of rehabilitation can usually take between 3 weeks and 3 months. They are only sent back to their families once the environment at home has been assessed as safe.

Clientele: Nemacy deals with between 180 and 250 children each year.

**Staff:** There are 15 staff (11 of which are full-time, 4 are volunteers and some work out in the field). There are also 3 social workers.

**Fees and funding:** An operational helpline dealing with child abuse is funded by the government, UNICEF and ANNPCAN. As far as we were told, the services offered are free-of-charge.

#### Success rate:

- (i) Research Nemacy has highlighted the dangerous levels of child sexual abuse.
- (ii) Child Protection The organisation has partitioned the Ugandan Parliament on the issue of child sacrifices. This was achieved through three demands:
  - 1. Witchcraft Act 1957 to be amended Nemacy is still awaiting the conclusions from this appeal.

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- 2. Cases concerning child abuse must be concluded in a court of law within a period of six months. Previously cases could last for eight years.
- 3. Decentralization of children's courts away from Kampala and Jinja.

Nemacy's free-of-charge helpline has been operating for 5 years and has dealt with 10,000 cases. The organisation also operates listeners clubs in primary schools. These are designed to promote awareness of child protection from an early age. There are 18 clubs operating with approximately 30 children in each club and are led by a patron. Furthermore, Nemacy are involved with International Children's Day which helps to highlight child protection with society through various mediums such as dance.

**Inter-organisational work:** Has worked with ANNPCAN in the past. Nemacy also partners with two radio stations in order to deliver the radio presenting project. They work closely with the police in finding street children to work with and specifically the Child Protection Department (which helps to encourage community policing). Their education programme relies on partnership with Jinja District local government and the Ministry of Education.

**Referrals process:** Children are usually referred to Nemacy by the police.

**Future plans:** Nemacy will continue to commit fully to its mission which is: 'To coordinate interventions of members to deliver services to marginalised children and youth through research, advocacy and capacity enhancement.'

#### **Providence Guesthouse and Outreach Centre**

Name of organisation: Providence Guesthouse and Outreach Centre, Jinja.

Type of organisation: Non profit organisation

Year founded: 2013

Contact details: Rebecca (volunteer) 0783 902 178.

**Facilities:** The Outreach Centre is a place where bible studies, worship, discipleship training, conferences, and other outreaches take place.

Services offered: Sponsors families so that children are able to go to school.

Inter-organisational work: Rebecca is working with children who attend Masese-Co Primary School.

Future plans: Aims to have 8-12 children in a hostel for two years.

#### **Revelation Children's Ministries** International

**Name of organisation:** Revelation Children's Ministries International (Easypad), P.O. Box 1237, Jinja

Type of organisation: Charity

Year founded: 2007

**Contact details:** Telephone Numbers: 0776411838 / 0776218880 / 0772828280 Email Address:

<u>irise.easypads@gmail.com</u>/rcinternation@gmail.com Website: <u>www.rcminternational.webs.com</u>/ <u>www.irise.org.uk</u>

**Facilities:** Building in Masese where sanitary towels are manufactured and distributed from. They have around 40 sewing machines. There is also an office.

**Services Offered:** There are three key areas of focus. These are: Irise Reusable Sanitary Easy Pads, Irise Menstrual Health Education and Children and Women Support Programme. At the facility in Masese they make around 1000 sanitary pads. Two years ago they decided to start selling the pads to an NGO. The profits of sale are put back into the charity. The organisation has also opened a small training school for tailoring and a nursery school.

Clientele: Women in the local area.

Staff: 63 women work for the charity (25 making sanitary pads to order).

Fees and funding: The organisation is funded by Irise International.

Complementary services: All services are free of charge.

**Inter-organisational work:** They have a strong partnership with Irise International. This is how people can contact Revelation Children's Ministries. A company in the Netherlands supplies tools such as sowing machines to the project.

**Future plans:** They are still young and so plan to expand. They aim to expand the training and nursery schools.



#### **The Street Child Project**

Name of organisation: The Street Child Project, P.O. Box 681, Jinja.



Type of organisation: NGO

Year founded: Has been operating since 2009.

**Contact details:** The charity can be emailed via: <u>info@thestreetchildproject.org</u>. More details can also be found on their website: www.thestreetchildproject.org

Facilities: Restoration home in Jinja. It has a capacity of 12 children and is currently accommodating 9.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The charity was founded to help tackle the problem of children living on the streets of Uganda. The charity's aim is to reduce the number of children living on the streets by getting one child off the streets at a time.

Services offered: There is an emphasis on rehabilitation, resettlement and education.

According to their website, The Street Child Project works with local support teams to identify children in crisis and remove them from street life. They first try to reconnect children to their closest living relatives and provide academic scholarships if finances are an issue. Finally, if a child's home environment poses a threat to their wellbeing and they cannot locate other relatives, the child is invited to join their restoration home in Jinja.

**Clientele:** They are currently operating at a maximum capacity of 32 children. Some of these are now officially resettled. These children range between 10 and 18 although the oldest child is currently 17. Two of the children (siblings) are from Masese. If a child reaches the age of 18, efforts are made to locate a nearby relative.

Staff: There are 6 members of staff (2 reside at the centre).

Fees and funding: Each child has sponsors and there are fundraising events which also boost funds.

**Complementary services:** No fees are required from the children so all services are free.

Success rate: High

**Inter-organisational work:** The following organisations work with or are known to The Street Child Project: G I Asco, Kivagala Ministries, Jeremiah House, S.A.L.V.E., Nemase, Jinja Connections and CRO. They also work closely with the police, who they have a good rapport with, to resettle abandoned children.

**Referrals process:** The children are referred to attend local schools which the organisation has good relations with. This is important as street children can often be difficult to deal with. Girls usually go to trade and technical schools.

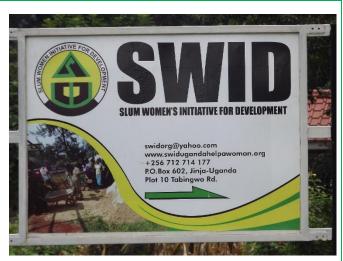
**Future plans:** Plans to expand their programmes such as a music therapy class containing Ugandan music to help with children's rehabilitation.

#### Slum Women's Initiative for Development (SWID)

Name of organisation: Slum Women's Initiative for Development (SWID), P.O.Box 602, Jinja-Uganda, Plot 10 Tabingwa Rd.

**Type of organisation:** Grassroots Women's Organisation which operates in Jinja District but not in Jinja Town.

Date founded: 2003



**Contact details**: Email: <u>swidorg@yahoo.com</u> Website: swidugandahelpawoman.org Telephone Number: +256 712 714 177

Facilities: Drop-in centre in Masese.

**Founding Ethos / Mission Statement:** The organisation is committed to enabling women to purchase their own land and property as there was a housing crisis which was affecting women disproportionately through evictions and overcrowding. The organisations mission statement is 'To improve on the quality of lives of people in Jinja urban slums and rural communities through empowering them to meet their social, political and economic needs in a sustainable manner.'

**Services offered:** SWID lends money to women (with a 2% rate of interest charged) and helps to process land registry applications to allow women to get on the property ladder. They are also committed to environmental protection and conservation. The organisation plants trees such as the ones at Masese-Co Primary School. In addition, SWID aims to promote Human Rights and Women's Rights.

Clientele: The organisation has worked with hundreds of women.

**Fees and funding:** The organisation originally operated for five years without funding. In 2007, the organisation was considered for funding by Comic Relief. The Revolving Loan Fund is fundamental in furthering women's development.

**Complementary services:** The Community Research Team were told that SWID offers numerous services.

**Success rate:** 120 women have already benefitted from the scheme in the thirteen years that SWID has been in operation.

**Inter-organisational work:** The organisation works with and knows of numerous organisations. These include: slum traders, Jinja Network, Uganda Land Alliance, Shelter Settlement Alternative Uganda (SSA), Ugandan Government, Uganda Community Based Shelter, organisations in Tanzania and Kenya.

**Future plans:** The future vision for SWID is to build 'an empowered community and a home for every woman.'



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