

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.



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PAKISTAN.



EMPOWERING WOMEN.

With your encouragement – and the support of Salvation Army personnel in Pakistan – women in the region of Sheikhapura are being empowered to realise their full potential through specialised projects.

“Women had nothing to do,” says Chanda, woman from Sheikhapura. “They sat in their homes wasting their time. We in the community are still backwards.

“We need to be part of this movement into the modern age. Now we are aware that we have to be something. We have to learn something. “Our corps officer (Salvation Army minister) asked us what we wanted to do in our community and we expressed our needs.”

PROJECT IMPACT.

Your partnership with The Salvation Army Pakistan Territory is benefiting many communities in the area north-west of Lahore.

The BASSIC (Building Advanced, Sustainable, Strong Communities) project fosters positive relationships with community members and the corps officers. It also encourages community ownership over smaller projects. The project is tailored to local needs and addresses health, water, livelihoods, social issues and income generation.

Upon their request, a group of women in the community learned sewing skills and participated in a Mother Child Health Club.

“The Mother Child Health Club gave us great insight into how to feed our children,” says Chanda. “I have learned about what is healthy and how to keep things hygienic for the good health of the family.”

BRIGHT FUTURES.

“I am feeling confident that I can earn an income with these stitching skills,” says Chanda. “We are able to use our money from the stitching for food, healthcare and new clothes for our children.

“I would love to gain more education in the future. If I was to earn enough income from this stitching, I could afford education.”

Your generous donations have empowered women like Chanda to fund their own futures. Your ongoing support will ensure this valuable work can continue, as together, we give women in Pakistan purpose and hope. 

TANZANIA.

MICRO-CREDIT LOANS PROJECT IN TANZANIA COMPLETE.

Adequate training enables micro-credit borrowers to successfully manage their businesses. About five per cent of participants have already managed to extend their businesses.

Mama Mwajuma Mohammed started her business in Tabora by selling green vegetables and fruit. She is now selling green vegetables, food crops and other food.

Because of you, parents can provide their families with three wholesome meals a day, send their children to school and cover basic medical expenses. Because of you, people in Tabora and Kahama are living improved, sustainable lives.

ASSISTING THE COUNTRY'S MOST VULNERABLE.

Tanzania is one of the poorest southern sub-Saharan African countries. Since the early 1990s, Tanzania has witnessed an increasingly visible number of street children and a higher incident rate of human trafficking.

The Mbagala Girl's Home focuses on girls between the ages of seven and 18, who have been trafficked or who are at risk of being trafficked. The project offers support, psychosocial support counselling, education and life skills development for these girls.

The project also raises awareness among community members on causes and impacts of human trafficking and searches for possible ways of preventing it.

The project is conducting a comprehensive review on the reunification strategy and exploring options such as adoption and foster care. On exit, girls are followed up for a period of 12 months.

POSITIVE OUTCOME FOR AMINA.

Since the commencement of the project, already many girls' lives have been impacted. Amina* (now 16) left her home village for a job in Dar es Salaam (Tanzania's largest city). She ended up working long hours and was beaten.

She came into contact with The Salvation Army and joined the residential program. There she learned an income-generating skill, and was taught about the issue of trafficking so she could share her story with other girls, helping to prevent them from experiencing a similar situation. The village committee has decided to prevent girls from going to Dar es Salaam as there are too many dangers and stories of missing girls.

Upon reuniting with her family, Amina was able to begin safely generating her own income. She is now supporting her grandparents (her parents have died) and is teaching her skills to two other women in the village.

With your support, many more young girls like Amina can be rescued, protected and given hope for the future. 🍷



THANK YOU.

On behalf of 820 women and men in Tabora and Kahama, Tanzania ... thank you.

Thank you for equipping them with income-generating skills. Thank you for providing their micro-credit loans. Thank you for giving them the confidence to open and manage their own small businesses.

Thank you for impacting their families and communities by helping them break the cycle of poverty.

**Name changed to protect privacy.*

INDIA.



SOME OF THE LOCAL WOMEN IMPACTED BY THE SELF-HELP GROUPS IN INDIA

INDIAN WOMEN ARE IMPROVING CHILDREN'S HEALTH & EDUCATION.

If it takes a village to raise a child, then a village of empowered women in India can raise healthy, confident and educated children. The Salvation Army is seeing this in action in a slum area in India.

Generous support from people like you has enabled 150 local women in the slums of Vasant Kunj in New Delhi, India, to attend Self-Help Groups.

These groups have encouraged and equipped women in these slums to establish government relationships and receive resources for their community. This has included an increase in the number of water tanks, an ambulance service for pregnant women, vaccinations for children and pregnant women, electricity subsidies and a bore well.

Additionally, Self-Help Groups coordinate income-generating programs and women are trained in tailoring and sewing, food production and laundry powder production. With a stable income, women are rebuilding their homes and establishing sustainable businesses. "People here are happier now," says a female beneficiary.

A partnership between The Salvation Army and Vision India has also improved education for children in the area. "Children are staying and studying," the woman adds. ♥



YOUR SAY.

"I choose to be a sponsor as a simple, yet fulfilling, way of giving something back to less privileged or disadvantaged children, families and their local communities. A donation to The Salvation Army can help these communities to help themselves." – Brian Gavahan

KENYA.



LOCAL SCHOOL STUDENTS NOW HAVE ACCESS TO CLEAN DRINKING WATER

CLEAN WATER KEEPING KIDS IN SCHOOL.

Life will never be the same for 13-year-old Victor, who attends a primary school in the Makueni region of Kenya. Because of you, he now has access to clean drinking water which is helping him fulfil his education.

Your support of the WASH project (Water, Sanitation, Hygiene) in Kenya has led to the installation of water tanks in Victor's school. This means Victor and his peers are no longer absent from school due to waterborne illnesses. They can receive an education and look forward to bright futures.

FRESH FUTURES.

"We have developed a culture of hand-washing and drinking treated water in the school," says Victor. "We also have a functional feeding program in the school. This has ensured kids stay in school. We eat here in school, wash our hands, use clean sanitation blocks and drink treated water."

As the school president (captain), Victor expresses his thanks for the WASH project's impact on the community and his school. "I am very happy for The Salvation Army giving back to society. Thank you."

Thank you for partnering with us to see children like Victor, receive clean, safe water. Without your generous donations, the Kenya WASH program couldn't have had such a great impact on so many lives. Water, sanitation and hygiene are critical issues all over Africa, and that's why we hope that together we can bring safe drinking water to more communities in Kenya. 🇰🇪

Thank you for changing lives in Kenya through the WASH project. A community in Malawi now needs your help to receive clean water. Please continue to give hope globally.



HAITI.

STUDENTS THRIVING IN HAITI.

Thank you for enabling the education of more than 4000 children in the Caribbean nation of Haiti.

Your support meant 12-year-old orphan, Roseline, could continue her education in a school that is part of our Safe and Sound Schools project after her parents passed away.

“Since I came to The Salvation Army’s Bocolhomond School, I feel happy because I receive free school materials and what my aunt pays as school fees is not high,” says Roseline.

All 22 schools in the Haiti schools program have been performing well as a result of the Safe and Sound Schools project:

- 80 per cent of the students passed their annual exam
- Teachers have been trained in hygiene and child protection
- Parents are encouraged to participate in committees

Jacques – another child blessed by your support that is improving his education – expresses his gratitude for being able to attend a Salvation Army school.

“Since my father died, my mother was in a difficult situation. I am happy to be at The Salvation Army school. It takes a great weight off my mother. Thank you to The Salvation Army and the donors,” he says. 🇸🇦



YOUR SAY.

“I believe that we can all play a part in making the world a better place, and that we can always do more. I feel privileged to be part of The Salvation Army sponsorship program. I know that in places around the world, a positive impact is being made in the lives of children and their respective communities.”

– Sam Antonio



CHICKENS! THEY'RE SMALL & CHEEP...

... AND CAN EMPOWER WOMEN IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO BREAK THE CYCLE OF POVERTY.

By supporting Chicks for Change this Easter, you will enable women to become financially stable and transform their communities. Buy a chick and change a woman's life.

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IMPORTANT DATES.

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MARCH

**WORLD DAY
OF WATER.**

07

APRIL

**WORLD
HEALTH DAY.**

15

MAY

**INTERNATIONAL
DAY OF FAMILIES.**

01

JUNE

**GLOBAL DAY
OF PARENTS.**

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JULY

**WORLD DAY
AGAINST
TRAFFICKING
PERSONS.**

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AUGUST

**WORLD
HUMANITARIAN
DAY.**

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