



## **TWELVE MONTHS IN DARFUR – ONE OF THE MOST CHALLENGING REGIONS OF THE WORLD**

**Achievements: 1<sup>st</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017**

Have you ever wondered what happens to your donations?

Kids for Kids is proud to let you know exactly what we do with the donations we receive. It is extraordinarily rare for an organisation to share such information, but we believe in complete transparency of our sustainable work. Below is a complete list of everything Kids for Kids have funded in Darfur during the calendar year of 2017.

Overleaf are details of our outline plans for 2018. We only promise help if we can be sure we have the funds needed – which is why the support from Children's Champions and Regular Supporters is so essential to our work. There will be famine in Darfur this year because the harvest failed so we know already seed and fodder will be urgently needed as well as the main support we offer to families.

**We adopted 5 New Villages in 2017 - Absharback, Fardal, Hashab Baraka, Geleidat, and Um Judoul**

**1,665 Goats and 304 Local Breed Donkeys** purchased and distributed to villages adopted in 2016

**786 Goats** for villages adopted in 2017, plus replacement goats for 13 goat beneficiaries whose animals were drowned in flash floods in September

**320 Blankets** for villages adopted in 2017

**974 Mosquito Nets** for 487 families

**5 New Kindergartens Constructed** in Hillat Hamid, Amar Gadid, Kherban B, Siwailinga and Mugabil 500 Uniforms

**500 Chairs and Tables** for Kindergartens

**Mobile Phones and Cross Bred Donkeys** for Village Leaders and Chairmen of the Animal Loan Committees in 5 new villages

**Trained Animal Loan Committee leaders:** including provision of 10 Project Implementation Manuals and 10 branding tools in the new villages

**Completed our first Submersible Pump at KulKul Village** which will provide water for people in six surrounding villages

**10 New Hand Pumps Surveyed** at 2015 and 2016 villages

**4 New Hand Pumps:** Digging finished at 4 hand pumps in Um Kedadda, Kerati, Deshma, and Adam Bakhit

**Training:** of 500 members of Village Development Committees (VDC) and Animal Loan Committee (ALC) in management and accounting and midwives, first aid workers and paravets

**11 Water Committees in hand pump maintenance and sanitation and hygiene**

**35 Midwives will graduate in June 2018**

**24 Paravets for 2016 and 2017 villages**

**21 First Aid Workers for 2015 and 2016 villages**

**5 Veterinary Units** built and provided with equipment at Lawabid, Seile, Kheirban B, Hillat Kabir and Elfaki Ali

**3 Health Units** constructed at Byna, Hillat Salih and Um Hagalig

**Rewards Given** for good goats beneficiaries and Children's Shepherd Committees in 2015 villages

**500 kg Sorghum Seeds** purchased and distributed in time for rainy season

**99 Local Ploughs** for 2016 and 2017 villages

**Animal Welfare Drugs** (preventive medicine) for 2016 and 2017 villages

**Revolving Veterinary Drug Scheme** for 2016 and 2017 villages

**45 Cross Bred Donkeys** for 24 Paravets 2016 and 2017 villages and 21 First Aid Workers at 2015 and 2016 villages

## Planned Activities 2018 to include:

- 1- Bi-annual goat rotation and Annual Review Meetings in Kulkul, Alsahil, Kerati, Deshma, Adam Bakhit, Kamala Kira and Mireikhis
- 2- Annual Review Meeting for villages adopted in 2016
- 3- First aid Worker training for villages adopted in 2017
- 4- Refresher training for 20 Kids for Kids First Aid Workers (pilot project)
- 5- Training of Traditional Birth Attenders (TBA) (pilot project)
- 6- Refresher training for 20 Kids for Kids Village Midwives (pilot project)
- 7- Monitoring for Kids for Kids Village Midwives and replacement of old equipment in collaboration with State Ministry of Health
- 8- Water tanks, Equipment, Stationery and Educational Toys (inside and out) for 5 Kindergartens
- 9- Equipment for 3 Health Units
- 10- Annual Review Meetings in 2016 villages
- 11- Forest and seedling trees project - distribution of 1,000 seedling trees for new buildings and 2017/2018 villages
- 12- Official opening of Kindergartens, Veterinary Centres and Health Units
- 13- Purchase and distribution of human drugs to midwives and first aid workers on revolving schemes (replacement)
- 14- Purchase and distribution of water carts and jerry cans to 2015, 2016, and 2017 villages
- 15- Digging and installation of new hand pumps for 2017 villages
- 16- Selection of 3 new villages for adoption in 2018 – training and introduction of all Kids for Kids projects (goats/donkeys/farm tools/ploughs/blankets/mosquito nets etc.)
- 17- Distribution of mosquito nets to villages on short list not adopted in 2018
- 18- Dry fodder & seeds for villages affected by failed harvest
- 19- Signage for 5 villages 2017, 10 new hand pumps, 5 kindergartens and 3 health units

## BACKGROUND:

***DARFUR**, in the far west of Sudan, is one of the most isolated and deprived regions of the world. Global warming is a reality as the Sahara Desert advances. Surface water dries in the searing heat of summer, yet there can be dangerous floods when, and if, the rains come. With virtually no infrastructure – water, electricity, health care, even roads - people survive in the most basic conditions. Despite the presence of UNAMID, insecurity, following the outbreak of violence in 2003, continues to threaten daily existence. Drought in 2016 led to the deaths of many children from treatable conditions. Children succumb when they are malnourished, and the signs of malnutrition are visible everywhere.*

***Kids for Kids is on one of the few organisations still in Darfur. Our unique package of simple grassroots projects** appropriate to the region has been transforming countless lives long term for the past 17 years. There are now 87 Kids for Kids' villages where we have worked closely with the communities for the first two years, training democratically elected committees to run the projects. After the two years, if a village shows that they are continuing to run the projects for the benefit of the whole community, they qualify for further assets, such as Health and Veterinary Units, a community forest and even a Kindergarten. "It is important to know that what we provide is sustainable" explains Patricia Parker MBE, Founder and now Chairman and CEO of Kids for Kids "I have seen buildings provided by well-meaning donors left neglected, as no one has been responsible and, in the hardship of daily life in Darfur, it has become an added burden." Kids for Kids trains village leaders in book keeping and accountability. Villages hold Annual Review meetings where they report on all the activities so that the community as a whole takes ownership. Patricia says "This results in extraordinary, and sometimes unexpected, long-term benefits. For example, we provide the raw materials, but parents at the Kindergartens dig the latrines – often the first in a village – and because they have worked hard for them, they make sure the children use them, which has a massive impact on the children's health. We have PTAs at the Kindergartens and our first PTA at Abu Nahla, a school built thanks to support from Prince Charles, has set up a sort of bursary scheme for the poorest children."*

*Our key project is our Goat Loan, called the "best microfinance project" ever by the Wali of North Darfur not only because of its immediate impact on the health of the children but also the livelihood it gives to mothers. In addition to our package of sustainable projects, we provided emergency help to communities which lost their total harvest during the year.*

*Note: We have up to date photographs from the Kids for Kids' Villages & all our projects.*

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