

KIDS FOR KIDS IN DARFUR ONE OF THE MOST DEPRIVED REGIONS IN THE WORLD

Achievements: 1st January – 31st December 2018



Kids for Kids is proud to announce what we did with your donations during the last 12 months.

"We believe that you should know how we are helping, the difficulties we face, and what we have achieved, with your support," said Patricia Parker MBE Founder and CEO of Kids for Kids. "2018 has been the worst year that I have ever known since starting Kids for Kids in 2001, because of the combination of disastrous widespread drought, which destroyed the harvest, and soaring inflation. But the great news is that we have managed to do all we had planned during the year. We are providing our sustainable projects to five more communities – 5,800 men, women and children – in addition to supporting those villages that we have already adopted, and gave emergency aid to families facing starvation. It is a massive achievement for an organisation such as ours, started because we saw how one small boy was living, and realising that it would be possible to make a difference to his life."

To date, Kids for Kids has provided its package of grassroots projects to half a million people in 92 villages, projects that are identified by the people themselves as being the most effective way to change their lives long term. In addition, as security is returning to the region, we have built, with your help, nine Kindergartens, five Health Units and five Veterinary Centres.

"We only promise help if we can be sure that we have the funds needed – which is why the support from Children's Champions and Regular Supporters is so essential to our work" said Patricia. "Unless I know that I can rely on funding, I cannot plan ahead. Last year, following warnings that the harvest would be a disaster, we decided we could not undertake any of our building plans until we knew the extent of the emergency." In the absence of aid for villages from other organisations and despite not being an emergency organisation, Kids for Kids provided flour and seeds for planting for 6,000 people, plus supplementary fodder for their animals. "Our aim has always been to prevent problems from becoming catastrophes" said Patricia "It was therefore essential for us to ensure that as many animals as possible survived the hungry months, and although many goats aborted, few died in our villages, and people were ready to plant seed when the rains came, thankfully early". Predictions are that the new harvest will be good, and despite inflation which is now over 70%, there is hope for 2019 in the villages of Darfur.

Five New Villages adopted in 2018 – JAFAINA, MATAWY, TELLA, UM GULLA, UM JUM JUM

Population: 5,800 people, including 3,243 children under the age of 10. 154 families (924 people) received our goat loan (offspring from which will be passed on to a further 154 families in 2020, to be repeated every two years). These families were selected democratically as being the poorest in their villages. Not one mother had completed her education. 54 women had received 'basic' education only. 46 are illiterate. The youngest mother is 22. She has 5 children, 3 under 5 years old. She owned 1 goat before we adopted Jafaina. The oldest goat beneficiary is Maryam, 70, also from Jafaina. She was selected as she is a grandmother whose grandchildren are orphans. She looks after three children under 5 years old on her own. Maryam's annual income, for all their needs, is 1,300 SDG (£21.26). 19 of these families are also caring for someone who is disabled. There are no facilities for disabilities in any village. Few are able to leave their huts.

Implemented activities January – December 2018

- 1- **822 goats** 770 female goats plus 53 Billy goats (1 billy goat shared between 3 families) purchased and distributed to 154 families. Additional 5 nanny goats presented to best midwife (see below)
- 2- 304 local breed donkeys purchased and distributed
- 3- **320 blankets** purchased and distributed to five villages adopted in 2017 villages
- 4- **2248 mosquito nets** purchased and distributed to 5 villages adopted in 2018 plus to 32 villages which we were unable to adopt during the year.
- 5- **Training**: 30 members of 2018 village development committees (VDC) and animal loan committee (ALC) in management and accounting including the new volunteer midwives, first aid workers and paravets -

- 6- **Training:** 34 village midwives graduated 21st December 2018
- 7- Equipment: newly trained village midwives medical equipment, metal trunks, 34 mobile phones
- 8- 34 cross bred donkeys: newly trained village midwives
- 9- **Rewards**: for best 3 newly graduated village midwives plus 34 water sets and trays.
- 10- **Training**: 10 paravets for 2018 villages 2 per village
- 11- VDC & ALC equipment: 5 mobile phones, 5 cross bred donkeys for village leaders 2018 villages
- 12- 10 Project Implementation Manuals 2 each per village
- 13- 10 Branding Irons 2 each per village
- 14- 10 cross breed donkeys for new paravets
- 15- 9 new hand pumps surveyed and drilled at 2017 and 2018 villages
- 16- **Rewards:** good goats beneficiaries 2016/2017 villages water sets (plastic jugs & cups) for best 5 goats beneficiaries in each village
- 17- **Rewards:** Children's Shepherds' Committees: 54 T-shirts, 27 caps (boys), 27 head scarves (girls), 18 footballs (boys) volleyballs (girls)
- 18- **52 Donkey Ploughs -** for 2018 villages
- 19- Animal Welfare Training: for 2018 villages beneficiaries, Children's Shepherds Committees, children of beneficiaries
- 20- Veterinary Revolving Drugs for 2018 villages, plus vaccine and paravets kit

EMERGENCY AID: for 6,000 people

Purchase and distribution of food for emergency - 1330 sorghum sacks for 24 villages

Purchase and distribution of a further 1,400 kgs sorghum seed for 700 hh for planting for rainy season

Purchase and distribution of dry fodder – supplementary food for animals

Planned Activities for 2019

- 1- **Bi-annual goat rotation** in Um Keddada, Afein, Hillat Minair, Shawat Maki, Fardal, Absahrback, Hashab Baraka, Geleidat and Um Judoul
- 2- Annual Review Meetings for villages Jafaina, Matawy, Teiga, Um Gulla and Um Jum Jum
- 3- First Aid Worker training for villages adopted in 2017, 2018 & 2019
- 4- **Forest and seedling trees project** distribution of 1,000 seedling trees for new buildings and 2017/2019 villages **Rehabilitation of 3 community forests** at Lawabid, Majoub A and Siwailinga
- 5- Construction of 5 Kindergartens, at Kindro, Hillat Kharif, Kulkul, Majdoub A, Goz Byna.
- 6- Construction of Veterinary Centre at Abu Digeis and 3 Health Units at Kamala Kira, Mirikhis, Sakori
- 7- Human drugs purchase and distribute to midwives and first aid workers on revolving schemes
- 8- Water carts and jerry cans purchase and distribute to 2017, 2018 and 2019 villages
- 9- Farm tools, chickens, solar lanterns purchase and distribute to 2017/2018/2019 villages
- 10- New hand pumps electro magnetic survey, drilling, installation for 2019 villages
- 11- **Selection of 5 new villages** for adoption in 2019 training and introduction of all Kids for Kids projects (goats/donkeys/farm tools/ploughs/blankets/mosquito nets etc.)
- 12- Mosquito nets purchase and distribute to villages on short list of villages not adopted in 2019
- 13- Seeds for villages affected by failed harvest in 2018 where necessary

We can only provide these essential services and projects with your help. Thanks to our Children's Champions we already have the funds to build three kindergartens. Please will you ask friends to become a Children's Champion to help us fulfil the dreams of mothers, or to become a Regular Supporter so that we will know the amount of money we can spend this year, instead of having to count on ad hoc support? Every donation helps us make a difference, and don't forget, when you support one of our sustainable projects it can be named for a special event or loved one – and please do ask for wedding presents, or presents for your birthday, to be given in Darfur – everything from a goat to training a midwife! You of course receive lovely Certificates!

"Looking at these incredible statistics makes me so proud of Kids for Kids. I don't know another charity that lists everything it provides with donations so you can really see where the money goes! Just think how parents in Darfur feel in our villages! At last their children have a real chance for a better future. Thank you from the bottom of my heart." Patricia Parker MBE





