

## KIDS FOR KIDS What have we done to help children in the last 12 months?



True to our promise we adopted Eight New Villages last year. Work is ongoing with them. In Abu Sinait (A), Abu Sinait (B), Bargo, Derma, Um Ajaja, Um Shijera, Turra (A) and Um Isheira there are 8,050 children under the age of 10 who face a better future now than their mothers thought possible.

In these villages alone **14,278** people, that's **2,349** families, who are already benefitting from our training, new handpumps, midwives, paravets and human and veterinary drugs. **15%** of the poorest families have received donkeys, blankets, mosquito nets, farm tools, donkey ploughs and preventative drugs for their animals. As soon as there is grass again, they will have their goats. Meanwhile they have been collecting hay for summer feed.

Since 2001 we have shown that our policy of providing a broad-based package of integrated grassroots projects incontestably lifts entire communities out of poverty and transforms the lives of individual families directly long term. 2019 has been one of the worst years we have known with soaring inflation, restrictions on access to our funds in the bank which has delayed projects, and a serious lack of fuel which has affected every single aspect of life across the entire country. Despite all this, Kids for Kids is proud to announce exactly what we have accomplished thanks to your support over the last 12 months.

We believe in complete transparency in all that we do. See below exactly what we provided in Darfur in 2019, plus our plans for 2020.

Our recent practice has been to adopt five villages each year to whom we introduce sustainable projects that lift individual families out of abject poverty and improve the lives of everyone in the village long term. 2019 however was exceptionally hard. We therefore made the decision to adopt eight, instead of five, communities.

## **January – December 2019: Implemented Activities**

- 1. **1440 goats:** 1350 female goats and 90 billy goats (1 billy goat shared between three beneficiary families) purchased and distributed to 270 families
- 2. **270 local breed donkeys:** for eight new villages adopted in 2019
- 3. 34 Cross Breed Donkeys: distributed for graduate midwives from villages adopted in previous years
- 4. **540 blankets:** purchased and distributed to eight new villages
- 5. **1,856 mosquito nets:** purchased and distributed to eight new villages, plus 10 villages we were unable to adopt yet
- 6. 500 Mosquito nets: for those who lost everything in the Alkouma village flood emergency
- 7. **500 Jerry cans:** purchased and distributed for Alkouma flood emergency
- 8. **Five new kindergartens:** financed and currently under construction in Kindro, Majdoub (A), Hillat Kharif, Kulkul, and Lawabid Villages



- 9. **Equipment for 3 health units:** tables, cupboards, chairs, beds, medical beds, screen and water tank purchased and distributed to health units in Hillat Salih, Byna and Um Hagalig 10. **3 health units:** financed and currently under construction at Dor Fazy, Kamala Kira, and Marachais
- 11. **Five-year Forest Tree Plantation project agreed:** production and distribution of 10,000 seedling trees and establishment of 3 community forests plus rehabilitation of 5 community forests project started to be completed in 5 years. N.B. the most important aspect of this project is supervision. In years of drought trees are vulnerable.

- 12. **36 first aid workers:** trained from five villages adopted in 2017, five villages adopted in 2018 and eight villages adopted in 2019
- 13. Hand pumps, training in maintenance and hygiene: geophysical electromagnetic surveys conducted in three villages. Drilling commenced in nine village areas. Training completed in 21 villages. Training for 2019 villages to commence this month. Five handpumps completed successfully. Please note, the shortage of fuel across Sudan made it impossible to run the lorry which carries the drilling equipment
- 14. Review Meetings: bi-annual goat rotation and review meetings conducted in four villages adopted in 2016
- 15. **Rewards:** 24 T-shirts, 12 caps for boys, 12 head scarves for girls, eight footballs for boys and eight volleyballs for girls for successfully volunteering for two years for Children's Shepherds Committees
- 16. 16 Project Implementation Manuals: two distributed per new village adopted
- 17. **Inception Meetings:** 1st, 2nd and 3rd meetings for eight new 2019 villages
- 18. Repairs: Siwailinga village kindergarten veranda repaired after flood damage. Cost shared with community.
- 19. Additional Fruit Trees: planted in 14 kindergarten buildings, 11 health units, and five veterinary centres

## 2020: Planned Activities

Water is our top priority, followed by the purchase of goats and provision of veterinary care. These were identified by every single community as what they need most, at the workshop we held in El Fasher in February this year.

- 1. **Hand pumps** continue digging and installing new handpumps in 2019 villages as fuel becomes available.
- 2. **Repairs to handpumps** to be carried out as necessary. Ongoing project.
- 3. **Solar Powered Submersible pump** to be built in Um Jum Jum village
- 4. **VDC and ALC trained** to manage and run Kids for Kids' projects in each village
- 5. Official opening of new kindergartens, health units and veterinary centres
- 6. **Goat & Donkey Loans** to new 2020 villages
- 7. **Bi-annual goat rotation** and review meetings in five 2017 villages
- 8. Annual Review Meetings in five 2018 villages
- 9. **Bi-Annual Review Meeting** for five 2017 villages
- 10. Training 40 Midwives for villages adopted in 2018/2019/2020
- 11. **Forest and seedling trees** distribution to new villages plus 5 community forests. Rehabilitation of 3 existing community forests.
- 12. **90 local ploughs for** 2019 villages
- 13. Five new kindergartens construction finished and equipment and furniture to be provided
- 14. Three new health units equipment and furniture to be provided
- 15. Uniforms for children to be provided for all 14 Kids for Kids Kindergartens Pilot Project
- 16. Refresher training for midwives, first aid workers and paravets
- 17. **Human drugs** purchase and distribute to midwives and first aid workers on revolving basis
- 18. Water carts, donkey ambulances and jerry cans distribute to 10 villages. Potentially many more required.
- 19. **5 new villages** select and adopt in 2020
- 20. Chickens for elderly purchase and distribute to existing and new villages. Project to be extended.
- 21. Pilot Projects Jumpers for Children & Beverley's Blankets Women's projects to be managed by WDAN
- 22. **Mosquito nets** for children in existing villages. Top priority as malaria was of epidemic proportion in 2019. To be provided before June (early rains).
- 23. **Signage** for villages adopted in 2018 and 2019: new handpumps, six health units and eight kindergartens (named)
- 24. Kindergartens El Fasher help requested for two kindergartens in regional capital
- 25. Micro Finance Scheme for Young People Donkey Cart loans (repayable) for business startup.
- 26. Extended Farm Tools Project further tools to be shared between 3 families, in addition to existing
- 27. **Agricultural training** cascade training to help families farm more efficiently.

Regular Supporters are the key to enabling us to plan ahead, and especially the three-year commitment of our Children's Champions. Please will you consider becoming a Children's Champion or Regular Supporter? Projects can be named for a special event or for a loved one. Make your dedication change the lives of children forever.







