



# SPOTLIGHT ON AFRICA

Celebrating the success of Spotlight on Africa, it's volunteers, supporters and collaborators over fifteen years of development, embarking on it's next phase of charitable activity in Eastern Uganda and beyond!





# SPOTLIGHT ON AFRICA MATERNITY CENTRE

Mbale District, Eastern Uganda  
Project Overview

In September 2022, Spotlight on Africa, The Nick Maughan Foundation and CAUKIN Studio completed the Nick Maughan Maternity Centre, aimed at upgrading healthcare facilities on the site in Mbale to a nationally recognised Maternity Centre. The facility will provide dedicated pre, post and neo-natal healthcare to mothers and babies in an area where home births are common. Maternal and Neo-Natal Death Rates in Uganda (MMR and NMR) are tragically amongst the highest in the world. A fact that is sadly compounded by the reality that 70% of the Ugandan population are beneath the age of 25 (the second youngest in the world, meaning that so many of these mothers who are needlessly dying are teenagers or under the age of 25 themselves).

The bespoke facility has been strategically planned to follow the birthing stages, starting with triage and ending with post-natal. In the coming year, the centre will facilitate up to 2,500 safe birth's per year which will save hundreds of lives every year that would otherwise be lost due to unsafe home deliveries.

The facility will support the Mbale Regional Referral Hospital which is currently overrun with maternal care demand and already has an established relationship with the Referral Hospital.

We would like to thank all donors, supporters and collaborators for getting this project to where it is today, it would not have been possible without your help, attention and assistance.







**104**

people employed during the 14 month construction period

**14**

Nurses and Doctors taking up positions at the new Maternity Centre

**2,500**

projected safe births per year in the new Maternity Centre

**250**

Community Health Promoters working in the local area to provide advice and advocate for Maternity Centre care



# NMF IT CENTRE

Mbale District, Eastern Uganda  
Project Overview

The NMF IT Centre will be the first of its kind in Uganda - a state of the art IT Centre dedicated to digital education. The Centre is the first prototype which we hope to trial before rolling out across the rest of Uganda.

The Centre will provide opportunities to both the children at our primary schools and our new Secondary School, as well as adults wishing to engage in evening classes ranging in subjects from financial literacy, to coding, to Data Science.

Africa's tech sector is rapidly growing, with investments into tech based companies reaching \$5Bn last year. Uganda sits at the centre of this growth, however, the potential for greater growth is stunted by a skills gap due to a lack of digital education. The gap becomes wider when low income communities' access to such education is limited. The NMF IT Centre proptotype aims to fill this gap.

Due to be completed in July 2023, the centre will open it's doors to the first students in August.



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# 15,000

Hours of digital learning delivered over the next 10 years

# 7

Separate adult training courses in IT skills

# 1,000

Adults will have opportunity to gain crucial IT skills to improve income generation

# 40

State of the art PC's

Phillip Lee Harvey







**900**

pupils enrolled in Musoto Christian School

**200**

People trained at our Tailoring School and Design Centre, increasing skills within the community

**11**

Competitions and Trophies won by sports teams at Musoto Christian School, due to our incredible staff's commitment to Physical Education.



# RIVERSIDE SECONDARY SCHOOL

Mbale District, Eastern Uganda

## Project Overview

Currently, 2/3 of children in Uganda do not continue through to secondary education, with poor access to schools and high fees prohibiting many from further education.

This Riverside School will create a secondary level campus large enough to educate up to 1,250 students and will be split across 3 phases which include multiple building functions and typologies. The school will provide a platform for secondary education for the 1,000 pupils who currently attend Spotlight On Africa's primary schools as well as for other school children in the local area.

The site is located in the heart of Namatala; one of the largest informal settlements in Uganda and by far the largest informal settlement on the outskirts of Mbale City. There are approximately 30,200 people living in the Namatala informal settlement. Over half of the residents of Namatala are under the age of 15. The overwhelming majority of these children do not attend secondary school.

To provide the core requirements for the school to become operational upon completion of Phase 1, the project is being developed in 3 phases, with Phase 1 underway. As each phase completes, the capacity of the school will increase until it reaches the full capacity upon completion of Phase 3.







**3**

Individual Phases of Construction

**37**

Individual buildings in the masterplan, forming the school campus

**1,250**

Opportunities each year for students to gain a Secondary Education

**15**

Subjects taught across the core curriculum and vocational subject offerings





## OTHER COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Mbale District, Eastern Uganda

Project Overview

Our work within the community goes beyond the facilities we are currently building, with various programs including operating a number of bee hives to constructing new water pumps, training carpenters, planting trees, delivering health interventions through our community health promoters, setting up community micro loan schemes and many more!



# 12,500

Healthcare interventions delivered by our Community Health Promoters

# 180

Men and Women trained at our carpentry school, increasing skills in the community



# 30

New boreholes and water pumps installed

# 40

Bee hives actively managed, generating an income for the community

# 5,000

Trees planted across our sites, utilising a variety of native species





# WHAT NEXT?

The hard work doesn't stop there! We are now working towards some much-needed Doctor and Nurses accommodation at the Maternity Centre site to enable the facility to operate 24 hours per day (below).

We also intend to develop our health facilities so that they are upgraded to a Level IV Health Centre.

We also continue to expand on building our IT Centres, so that more people can acquire the IT skills to improve their income generation opportunities.



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