



NEWHOPEUGANDA

Frequently Asked Questions – Sponsorship

What makes NHU sponsorship unique from other sponsorship programs?

- **Our program is small (600-700 children):** This allows to have a more specific focus and for more intentionality in our relationships both with our children, staff, and our sponsors.
- **Our children do not “age-out”.** Each child’s education path is dependent upon their unique situation and so we do not have a specific age of when they will be off our sponsorship program. With that said, it is rare that a child will be on our sponsorship program past the age of 25.

What does my child receive through sponsorship?

- They’re welcomed into the NHU family, and learn about their Heavenly Father.
- The cost of their schooling will be covered.
- Necessities such as food, clothing, shelter, hygiene products.
- For the children living in the community, we have childcare extension staff (like social workers) who visit their home to make sure they are being cared for well.
- Letters from their sponsor (we encourage at least 6/year).
- *You have the option of sending Christmas and birthday gifts in addition to your monthly sponsorship. We recommend a gift of about \$20-\$25.*

What will I receive as part of my sponsorship?

- Six letters throughout each year.
- A progress report/report card.
- If you are sponsoring a program or in a non-letter writing sponsorship, you will receive 3 newsletters per year in place of letters.

How do I send my letters?

Please use international postage and mail to:

New Hope Uganda
(Your child’s full name)
Box 16
Luwero, Uganda
East Africa

You can also email letters to: mychild@newhopeuganda.org.

- Please put your child’s full name in the subject.
- If you send any pictures keep in mind, they will be printed on computer paper in black and white.

- This email address is for letters only.
- Please note if you send photographs, pictures of ladies in swimsuits, shorts or tight trousers, and strapless tops are culturally inappropriate in Uganda.

How much is spent on administration?

The U.S. spends 11.4% on administration and Uganda spends 2% on administration. These costs are necessary for the ministry to meet legal requirements as a non-profit, ensure financial accountability, the ability to hire quality staff, provide things like office supplies/software, and “to find the next sponsor”. We are consistently seeking the proper balance and believe in this healthy God-honoring tension.

Does my donation go directly to the child I sponsor?

Until your child is past the 10th grade or S4 in Uganda, all sponsorship donations are put into one fund that is distributed equally to all sponsored children. This is to ensure that each child receives a consistent level of care that is not dependent upon a sponsor’s payments. Once a child is past the 10th grade/S4, they decide what they would like to do for higher education. Because their education costs will greatly vary at this point, we set up separate accounts for each child. Those who choose a university degree may require another sponsor and/or a scholarship from our scholarship fund. With the separate accounts, we can add those additional funds to their account as provided.

Does each child only have one sponsor?

Generally, if a child is fully sponsored at \$70/month they have one sponsor and if they are co-sponsored at \$35/month they have two. If a child is in higher education, they may have an additional sponsor to cover the cost. Special needs children have many sponsors as their medical expenses are very high.

How can I learn more about my child?

If you have a specific question about your child, email our sponsorship coordinator Sharon Namanya at sponsors@newhopeuganda.org.

How long will my sponsorship last?

Our children are with us until they can be independent. For some this will be shortly after secondary school and for others, who pursue higher education, this could be until their mid-twenties. The children we care for have all suffered deep loss, rejection, and broken relationships; so we encourage people to think seriously before committing themselves to sponsoring such a child. It is another rejection for the children to cope with if they are assigned a sponsor and then shortly afterwards their sponsor quits. Having said that, we appreciate that financial situations can change, and if that happens we can freely release sponsors from their commitment.