



Kumi Community Foundation

Helping others to help themselves



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WELCOME!

Kumi Community Foundation funds and promotes initiatives to help people living with disabilities in Kumi, Eastern Uganda. Founded in 2002, the foundation supports many individuals with disabilities and malnourishment who are living in extreme poverty in remote areas of the bush.



CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Coronavirus stats from WHO state in Uganda, from 3 January 2020 to 12 March 2021, there have been 40,535 confirmed cases of COVID-19 with 334 deaths.

On the 5th March 2021 the Ugandan Ministry of Health received an initial batch of 864,000 doses of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine - shipped to Entebbe Airport via the COVAX facility - the world's facility for universal access to COVID-19 vaccines.



The Minister for Health, Dr Jane Ruth Aceng and partners receive the 1st consignment of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccines



Vaccines being unloaded at Entebbe Airport 5th March 2021

Source Garda World, WHO, Ugandan Ministry of Health

For more information on the work of KCF and how you can help support please visit www.kumicommunityfoundation.co.uk

Your donations in action!

Our Christmas gift card campaign was extremely successful and we were able to raise enough money to purchase 161 chickens, 48 goats, 12 prosthetic limbs and 10 wheelchairs! Atom Ruth and Aluka Harriet have been working to identify suitable recipient's for these gifts, and take great care to ensure that the goats and chickens are given to the children who need them most. Ruth worked with a group of mothers with disabled children who have each received a goat as part of this campaign. So if you purchased a goat gift card for someone for Christmas their goat could be in these photos! We will continue to update you as we distribute your gifts to those in need in Kumi.



Atom Ruth donating goats to the Mothers group



Grateful recipients

Raise funds without leaving your home!

The pandemic has meant that traditional fundraising events have not been able to take place - but how many times have you shopped online since the lockdown began?? By using the websites below - you could be raising funds for KCF at no cost to yourself whilst online shopping!!



Proud owners of new chickens!



Amazon Smile - Please consider signing up for Amazon Smile if you shop online. Do your online shopping at <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/cj/.1184935-0> and Amazon makes a donation to KCF each time you purchase at no cost to you!



With over 4,000 stores, as a **@Giveasyoulive** member every time you shop KCF receive a percentage of your spend as a donation! Its completely free to join - visit <https://giveasyoulive.com/join/kumi-community-foundation/1184935/0?>

And don't forget - you can now buy our gift cards all year round! A great gift for birthdays etc. Visit www.kumicommunityfound.co.uk/buy-your-gift-cards-here to find out more....

MEET THE TEAM

Atom Ruth

Atom Ruth trained in community based rehabilitation and lives in Soroti with her son, Chris. She works with Kumi Community Foundation as an Outreach Worker and is an invaluable member of the team working to identify children and adults with disabilities who might benefit from support from KCF. Atom Ruth helps clients in a number of ways - from the provision of equipment to aid rehabilitation, supporting clients in setting up income generating projects, identifying candidates for surgical intervention or providing a family or individual with a goat or chicken. She is also passionate about working with and supporting new parents. Here Atom Ruth talks about her work with KCF....

"I am Ruth and work under Kumi Hospital as community based rehabilitation worker since 2001 but met Elspeth in 2003 and as very interested in field work , so I became close to Elspeth because of the way I always identified with my clients and she liked me so much. We were 7 field workers by then but I was the only lady among the men! So Elspeth continued supporting Kumi Hospital especially when the hospital had challenges and always continued supporting me too in terms of motivating me to continue with our community work with children with disabilities. Elspeth shared with me my difficult moments and encouraged and always appreciated my work with families with children with disabilities"

If you are interested in finding out more about how you can help KCF - either by supporting their outreach work, funding a prosthetic limb, funding a child's education, or helping with hospital expenses ... contact kumicomfound@yahoo.com or visit www.kumicomcommunityfoundation.co.uk



Atom Ruth and her son Chris



Atom Ruth and Elspeth visit a client



Atom Ruth distributes food

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