Believing In Miracles
OUR MISSION: To improve the lives of orphaned and disadvantaged children and their families in Uganda through quality education, healthcare and income-generating programs.

OUR VISION: Educated, healthy, and empowered Ugandans as agents for positive social and economic change.

OUR WORK:

EDUCATION
Education is the cornerstone of what we do. Sponsored children receive a year’s tuition, a uniform, school supplies, daily nutrition and health services. Additionally, some of our sponsors cover dormitory fees providing children with a safe learning environment. We also offer teacher sponsorships and adult learning programs.

HEALTH
Our health programs focus on supporting children and families affected by malaria, typhoid, respiratory conditions, TB and HIV/AIDS, increasing access to medical resources and improving health and nutrition through education.

WATER
Our comprehensive water program focuses on expanding access to clean water in Migyera with a community well and home rainwater harvesting combined with sanitation and hygiene education and projects.

MICROENTERPRISE
Our microenterprise programs provide families with loans, training and support to start, build and grow businesses. Our programs also help children purchase livestock to raise for income and food.

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Believing In Miracles

One of our students, Grace Kabazarwe wrote “When one looks at me today and tries to remember how I used to look before ChangeALife came into my life, you to start to believe in miracles.”

Our supporters are helping us recreate Grace’s story time and again by empowering children and their families every day through education in the classroom and beyond. Thanks to our sponsors, we now have 360 students (70 more than in 2013!) receiving the life-changing gift of education. There are 97 adults and 55 children participating in our micro-credit programs learning skills that will help them change their lives and improve their futures.

Like Grace, I too believe in miracles. The generosity of our donors, partners and volunteers never ceases to amaze me. This year we expanded our Literacy for Living and Math Skills Programs for parents, helping them strengthen their commitment to their own children’s education. We also saw the completion of phase one of our efforts to bring clean, running water to Migyera. Dave and I were there when Father Lawrence turned on the water at the St. Lawrence School for the first time and I will never forget the atmosphere of joy and gratitude.

In this report, we are happy to share with you several stories that epitomize how our donors are helping us change lives. We are excited about CALU’s progress and accomplishments and look forward to continuing our mission of changing lives and creating miracles for the children and families of Uganda.

Jean Semler
President

Financial Summary 2014

Income: Where the Money Comes From

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Net Assets as of January 1, 2014: $103,457

Net Assets as of December 31, 2014: $151,224
The Miracle of Education

Grace Kabazarwe is a 14 year old girl who graduated from the St. Lawrence School in 2014 and is currently enrolled in secondary school. She is a wonderful example of how education has the power to change lives. We are happy to share the contents of a thank you letter she sent to CALU.

“This is my success story as a ChangeALife beneficiary. In my early childhood, when I had just started schooling, life was not very good. I used to go to school sometimes dressed in shoes and sometimes not. At school I went without something to eat and spent the whole day hungry at school. I would admire the clever children, the smart children and those who had things to eat at break time and lunch time. Every time women came to sell eats at school, I would stand there near them and watch my friends at school buying so that I asked them to give me something to eat at break time and at lunch time. This sometimes disturbed me in class. But when ChangeALife came into my life, everything changed.

My life changed so much that I have been always happy at school and when I go back home. ChangeALife started paying my school fees and I was always sure to get something to eat at school. My performance has improved and my parents are very happy about everything. The letters I receive, the gifts and the love I have been shown by both my sponsors and CALU have greatly changed my and always made me happy and proud to be a lucky girl.

Since ChangeALife came into my life, I have always been wearing shoes at school and my uniforms have always been clean. I had never thought that I would even be in the boarding school but ChangeALife made my dream come true. I started being in class in time, have meals on time and this made me perform better and better each year.

When one looks at me today and tries to remember how I used to look before ChangeALife came into my life, you start to believe in miracles.”

Grace’s education and boarding have been generously sponsored by Carol Wisniewski.

The Gift of Health

Dr. Linda Taylor, an OB/GYN physician from Connecticut, and her father Joseph Temple, a retired businessman living in Florida, joined forces to help us achieve Uganda’s vision that “women go through pregnancy, childbirth and the post-partum period safely, and their babies be born alive and healthy.”

In the summer of 2014, Dr. Taylor brought her medical expertise, and a portable ultrasound, to the St. Francis Health Center in Migyera, Uganda. The Health Center, which CALU opened in 2012, has made great strides in improving local access to health care, but still lacks sufficient skilled health care providers, as well as critical supplies and equipment.

During her visit, Dr. Taylor examined 115 women and learned that the nearest ultrasound, a basic tool commonly used to identify pregnancy risks and reduce maternal and neonatal mortality, was 70 miles away.

After learning about his daughter’s experiences and eager to make a difference, her father donated $13,000 to CALU in memory of his wife Ann for the purchase of an ultrasound and other maternity supplies.

With deepest gratitude, CALU thanks Dr. Taylor and Mr. Temple, a “dynamic and caring team” for all they have done for the mothers and expectant mothers of Migyera.
The Wonder of Water

After five years of planning, a multi-phase construction project, and thousands of quarters collected by thousands of New Jersey school children, on July 18, 2014, Father Lawrence pulled the lever and water flowed for the first time at the taps outside the St. Lawrence School in Migyera. The whole community celebrated this wonderful day with music, singing, speeches and traditional dances performed by the St. Lawrence School students. For the first time, the St. Lawrence School, the St. Francis Health Center and neighboring families had access to clean, running water. The indoor plumbing at the school even allowed the students to experience their first showers.

Just four months later, during the intense 2014 dry season, there were water shortages all over Uganda and an increase in food prices. Ponds dried up and many animals died due to the drought. During this difficult time, ChangeALife Uganda’s taps were running, providing water to the hundreds of people who brought Jerri cans to fill on a daily basis. Elizabeth Mutanba, a student at St. Lawrence School wrote, “I am writing this letter to thank you for the water project you gave us. We are very lucky because with no water, there is no life. Because of your love, we now have a good life, we have the miracle of water.”

Even as we celebrate this achievement, including a 512’ well and a 50,000L water tower, made possible by our many supporters, we begin a new water project to expand access to clean water in Migyera through home water harvesting and containment coupled with hygiene education, home latrines and related income-generating opportunities. The wonder of water continues.

The Power of Potential

Meet Adunu Milly. Adunu is a member of the Agali Awamu Group, a CALU microcredit consortium in Kitweyambogo village, Migyera. Adunu has used micro-loans to finance the production of local brew, which she sells in the village. She invested her early profits in two piglets that unfortunately died due to illness. Adunu was undeterred and continued to make local brew, investing later profits in planting and harvesting groundnuts. Her husband used a micro-loan to fence in property so that they could cultivate cassavas. The family has been able to use their earnings to build a permanent home.

“I am proud of CALU because through the different projects I have actively participated in, I feel my livelihood and the family in general has improved. In 2014, we made a great achievement in our family through the micro-loan project. We were able to sell the cassavas, which provided the funds to build a permanent structure from a grass-thatched house. Even though it is not complete, we enjoy staying in the permanent structure. Life has never been the same again.”

Adunu also hopes to harvest 5 to 7 sacks of groundnuts, which she says “will increase our household income.” She and her husband have five children; two of them are sponsored students at the St. Lawrence School. “I would like to thank ChangeALife Uganda for the wonderful projects especially the micro-loan project that is improving our livelihood through small scale businesses.”
The Year in Review

EDUCATION

360 Students participating in our child sponsorship programs (205 students at the St. Lawrence School in Migyera; 155 students at various schools in Nabbingo)

515 Students attending the St. Lawrence School in Migyera, up from 90 in 2007

#2 Rank of St. Lawrence School in the Nakansanga district

27 Sponsored students boarding at the St. Lawrence School

21 Graduating students at the St. Lawrence School achieved the highest grade on the national Primary Leaving Exam (up from 6 students in 2012)

2 Graduating students at the St. Lawrence School received scholarships to well-respected secondary schools

9 Sponsored students graduated from the University and Post Secondary Programs with degrees in Business Administration, Economics and Statistics, Hotel Catering, Hotel Management and completed certificates in Motor Vehicle Engineering, Tailoring and Hair Dressing

11 Teachers will be housed at the St. Lawrence School upon completion of new teacher housing in 2015

162 Parents (151 women and 11 men) are participating in CALU’s adult literacy program

270 Students are playing and learning to play chess, which develops skills of concentration, critical thinking, and self-confidence (90 in Migyera, 180 in Nabbingo)

HEALTH

500 Student physicals completed by the US and Ugandan health team

30 Children enrolled in the Gardens of Health International program to prevent malnutrition and support self-sufficiency with education, seeds and livestock

2,375 People tested for HIV at the St. Francis Clinic in Migyera

368 Patients receiving HIV services from CALU partner Mildmay Uganda

2 Globe Med students from California State University San Bernardino completed a 3-week internship in Migyera focusing on HIV patient support and student journal writing

115 Women examined with a portable ultrasound by visiting U.S. doctor and volunteer Linda Taylor

$13,000 Donated by Joseph Temple in memory of his wife to purchase an ultrasound and maternal care equipment

WATER

7/14/14 Day the water from the 512’ deep well and the 50,000L water tank began to flow after 5 years of planning, fundraising and construction

1,400 People now have access to water in addition to the St. Lawrence School students and staff and the St. Francis Health Center patients and staff

3 Graduate students from the Nicholas School of the Environment at Duke University conducted WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) research

MICROENTERPRISE

152 Participants in microenterprise programs (97 adults and 55 children)  

26 Women participated in a 12-month tailoring program with the goal of becoming financially independent

34 Women are earning income in CALU’s CashForCrafts program creating baskets and jewelry for sale in the U.S.

$15,400 Raised in 2014 selling crafts made by Uganda women in the U.S.
Our Partners

Our U.S. Partners:
Charles DeWolf Middle School, Old Tappan, NJ
Colts Neck Reformed Church, Colts Neck, NJ

Cranbury School, Cranbury, NJ
Davidoff Associates, Inc.
Duke University
emPOWER Energy Group
Gardens for Health International
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St. John’s Academy, Hillsdale, NJ
Sophia Kho & Co.

Our Uganda Partners:
Action For Community Development
ACODEV
Gardens for Health International
MILDMAY Uganda
PACE Uganda

Join Us

We invite you to join us and help change the lives of children and their families in Uganda.

To learn how to sponsor a child or support our other programs, please visit www.changealifeuganda.org or call us at 732.833.1736. We welcome the opportunity to talk with you about how you can change a life.

You can also make a donation to the program of your choice online at www.changealifeuganda.org or by mailing your check (payable to ChangeALife Uganda) to us at 46 Oakmont Lane, Jackson, NJ 08527.

To make a gift of stock or to discuss your donation, please contact us at the above number.

Thank you!

ChangeALifeUganda is designated as a 501c3 nonprofit organization.
EDUCATION Programs

DollarsForScholars™
A child sponsorship program that gives the gift of quality education to disadvantaged children who lack the means to attend school. Your sponsorship provides educational support, medical care, nutritious food and counseling. A sponsor-child relationship develops through letter-writing and photo exchanges.

SponsorsForTeaching™
A teacher sponsorship program to attract and maintain highly-qualified teachers to lower the student/teacher ratio by providing higher salaries, housing, medical care and professional development.

BucksForBeds™
A program that provides a dormitory for students who live miles from school, or have challenging family situations. Accommodations provide students (many are orphans) with a safe place to sleep, three meals a day, clean water and academic support.

LiteracyForLiving™
A program to educate parents on speaking and writing English.

HEALTHCARE Programs

MoneyForMedicine™
A program to support mother, infant, pediatric and adult healthcare, including HIV treatment and to expand and equip the St. Francis and Nabbingo Health Centers.

QuartersForWater™
A program to provide clean drinking water for students of St. Lawrence School, the Health Center and the rural village of Migyera.

NutritionForHealth™
A program in partnership with Gardens for Health to end malnutrition in children by training mothers in hygiene, infant feeding, agriculture and livestock rearing.

MICROENTERPRISE Programs

CashForCrafts™
CashForTailoring™
Programs to empower women to become financially independent through skills development. CashForCrafts teaches women how to make jewelry, baskets and other crafts which are sold in Uganda and the U.S. CashForTailoring teaches women how to sew and develop advanced tailoring skills.

FinancingForFamilies™
A microenterprise loan program to fund small business opportunities for the families of our sponsored children, such as brick making, a small restaurant, a grocery, retail or beauty shop.

FundsForFarming™
A microenterprise loan program to increase crop production and to raise livestock for income and food.

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