Welcome to **FURAHA AFRICA RELIEF ASSOCIATION**



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JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER

GIFTS GIVEN OUT IN UGANDA BY FURAHA AFRICA RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Here's a look at how Furaha Africa Relief Association is helping in Uganda. Recently gifts given out included: sewing machines, bicycles, animal projects, and agriculture aids to help communities and families in many ways. They are very grateful for this assistance from FARA in Canada.



FURAHA AFRICA RELIEF ASSOCIATION RATIFIES TWO NEW MEMBERS

At the June 18, 2022 Membership Meeting of FARA, two new members were ratified and welcomed: KATHY SMITH and JANET JANSSEN ODISHAW. They join Rick Lewis, Julie Brundage and Valerie Krushel. Current members serving as board members are: Ken Wiebe, Del Pierce, Wendy Inscho. Julie Wiebe (FARA Sponsorship Program Coordinator) sits as an exofficio member.

AN UPDATE FROM OUR PROGRAM COORDINATOR - JULIE WIEBE

We appreciate each of you as a sponsor, who are enabling 266 children in Uganda, Congo and Sudan to receive help for an education and relief needs through the Furaha program. This year to date, 7 children and 6 sponsors have exited the program. Joining us are 4 new sponsors and 1 new sponsor child. Also, 9 children have been re-sponsored so they can continue in the program when their sponsor was no longer able to support them.

Other children who are waiting for sponsorship since 2018, so if you are considering this, please join us now. The children presently waiting are:







It's been exciting to welcome Kathy Smith, from Ontario, as an assistant to work with me on the correspondence tasks. Kathy has worked with various charities in administration and has gone on several mission trips – one of which was helping us on a review trip to Uganda. She still serves in different capacities with the "Loads of Love" organization and in her local church. In 2022 so far, there has been 138 letters/photos distributed to sponsors.

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email: sponsoradmin@gmail.com or check out the FARA website at fararelief.com



AN UPDATE FROM OUR TREASURER - DEL PIERCE

Change is not easy, but it can be done and is usually worth the effort. Through the process of changing the means by which we sponsor children in Africa, we have discovered new ways of doing things and it is good.

When we receive contributions to our projects they are entered into a program developed by Software4Nonprofits called DONATION. This program keeps track of what funds are being supported by individuals and can create reports and print out the receipts at the end of the year.

We receive contributions by cash, cheque, E-transfer or by credit card. All funds are deposited in our account at the Alberta Treasury Branch. E-transfers are the easiest for us to handle as they are deposited directly into our account without any fees and the donor can change the amount at any time.

We are learning that donations received from credit card transactions are a little more involved. When you fill out the form on our website to make a contribution, the transaction is handled by a company called Stripe who receives the funds from your credit card and transfers them to our bank. There is a fee for this service but it is reasonable. The challenge with credit cards comes when you want to change the amount you are giving. If you have set up a subscription to donate the same amount every month and then want to change that amount,we have learned that you need to contact us so that we can contact Stripe to have your existing subscription cancelled. Then you can go to our website and create a new subscription with the new amount.

As we say, sometimes change is not easy. So a big thank you to all who have endured and helped us as we learn the process. The bottom line is funds are getting through and the needy are being helped. Please remember that for this year we are requesting that sponsors donate a minimum of \$36.00 per month to support a child.

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