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2024 Annual Report: Girl Power USA

Girl Power USA's mission is to drive impactful change by supporting vulnerable communities, promoting education, and offering sustainable solutions. In 2024, we launched initiatives across Uganda, Kenya, and the Philippines, partnering with local leaders to ensure our support met community needs and fostered sustainable change by understanding the cultural contexts and every day challenges.

Our impact extends beyond support or one-time donations, we champion sustainable solutions guided by compassion and resilience. This year we provided essential resources, supporting education, improving healthcare, and above all spreading love.

Programs and Impact Highlights

Providing Essentials to Vulnerable Children

Home of Hope: February 2024

Located in Jinja, Uganda, Home of Hope serves over **150 children** with developmental disabilities, many of whom are abandoned by their families and marginalized by their communities. Girl Power USA proudly supported the home and the inspiring work of "Maama" Edith and her dedicated staff to deliver essential supplies including rice, oil, milk, posho, hygiene products, sanitary pads, diapers, and cleaning supplies to ensure these children receive the care and dignity they deserve.

Supporting Students in Kenya

Pillars of Hope Children's Home: March and October 2024

In Kenya, Pillars of Hope Children's Home provides a home for **75 orphaned boys and girls** facing difficult living conditions. Girl Power USA's support in the form of solar panels enabled them to complete household chores and schoolwork in a safe, well-lit environment. We also donated bicycles to reduce the grueling 18-kilometer trek to attend school. Our team went to the home with a feast of food and cake to spend quality time with the children and provide mentorship and support. Despite ongoing challenges, Pillars of Hope Children's Home and its founder, Vitalis Nyambeka, are devoted to creating a brighter future for these children.

Furthering Health in Uganda

Making Doctors Uganda: Building Tomorrow's Medical Leaders

The Making Doctors Uganda program was created to support future healthcare professionals committed to uplifting their communities. Girl Power USA is now sponsoring **three passionate medical students**:

- Agnes Amidiong: 1st-year at Kampala International University
- Devota Valerie: 4th-year at Uganda Christian University
- Martin Kiggundu: 5th-year at Kampala International University

Through this program, we're investing in the next generation of doctors, empowering them to create positive change in Uganda and beyond.

Celebrating International Day for Street Children: April 2024

With over 11,000 children living on the streets in Jinja, the need for healthcare and safety is urgent. Through a partnership with SALVE International, Girl Power USA organized medical outreach programs to provide healthcare services to these vulnerable children. Our volunteer doctors worked tirelessly to improve their health and offer a source of hope amid the hardships of street life.

The outreach reached **80 children** and provided medical awareness and resources for HIV and malaria, as well as deworming medicine and vaccinations.

Honoring Jobelle

Western Visayas Medical Centre: August 2024

In memory of our dear team member Jobelle, who inspired us with her unbreakable spirit and kindness in the face of cancer, Girl Power USA fulfilled her wish of bringing comfort to cancer patients. On the 10th anniversary of the Western Visayas Medical Center in the Philippines, we celebrated Jobelle's legacy by donating soft toys as something to hold on to as a symbol of Jobelle's strength and joy, even beyond her time with us.

Transforming Lives with Education in Nigeria

E-Enable: September 2024

The E-Enable Program focuses on creating sustainable solutions that drive economic growth and support community resilience. We awarded full scholarships to **four children and extended academic support to over 100 additional students** including scholastic and personal hygiene kits to break down educational barriers and enable young learners to pursue their academic dreams. We also brought cataract medicine and prescription glasses for Joy, a student in the program to promote both her education and overall health and happiness.

Kicking for Change

EcoWarriors in Uganda: October-December 2024

Eco Warriors was founded by Alinaitwe Derrick, a dedicated teacher who aims to keep girls engaged in school while raising awareness about climate action in Kagadi, Uganda. Girl Power USA proudly supports Derrick's vision by providing the **200 girls on the football team** with essential sports equipment such as jerseys, footballs, cones, and nets, enabling these young athletes to pursue their passions, build confidence, and learn the importance of environmental stewardship. We also ran a Christmas campaign to provide each of the girls, who currently play barefoot, with a pair of quality running shoes.

Combatting Period Poverty Across Africa

School Programs and Workshops: November 2024

Girl Power USA has launched our period poverty program, which included distributing **400+ pads to over 100 girls** in two different school programs, 'Go Girl, Shine Again', and 'Save A Month'. Our Associate Director Marion Nekesa joined two partners in a workshop to make reusable cotton pads to kickstart our sustainable model to combat period poverty. We aim to disseminate the skills in all our 3 focus countries to provide menstrual hygiene products and a source of income for women.

Local Impact Programs in 2024

- Agnes' Mission: Girl Power ambassador Agnes Amidiong dedicated time to visit and support families in Kisenyi's slum areas, delivering essential resources, and embodying our mission of compassion in action.

- Julie's Outreach: Another Local Impact member, Julie, extended her kindness to stray animals by regularly feeding cats in her neighborhood, promoting empathy and care for all living beings.

Through our initiatives in 2024, Girl Power USA made meaningful strides in creating safe, nurturing, and empowering spaces for children and youth around the world. We thank our partners, supporters, and communities for joining us on this journey. As we look to the future, we are excited to continue strengthening our impact in 2025.