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REFLECTION FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear friends and supporters,

It is with immense pride, humility, and gratitude that I present to you our Annual Report for the fiscal year 2024–2025. This year has been nothing short of extraordinary, and I am deeply honored to share the collective progress we have made in advancing our mission to reduce extreme family poverty through strong and efficient support to children's education.

Through this report, you will find an account of the initiatives we have implemented guided by our four pillars: children's education, parental and financial training, youth economic empowerment, and livelihood strengthening to meet our shared goals. Vulnerable children received vital scholastic support, while parents gained financial and parenting skills that improved family stability and learning outcomes.

Our Youth Economic Empowerment Program continued to grow via enrollment of new cohort, equipping them with vocational skills and entrepreneurial opportunities. The graduation of Cohort 2 and Peer Driven Change (PDC) Project stood as powerful symbols of community-led transformation.

To ensure sustainability, we launched our modern pig farming as social enterprises to diversify our source of funds, and introduced a modern rabbit farming for our beneficiaries to ensure they have access to meat and improve their socio-wellbeing.

Behind these achievements stands the dedication of our team, the generosity of our partners, and the courage of our beneficiaries. Together, we are not only responding to urgent needs but building a future where families live with dignity and take charge of their children's education.

As we look to 2026, we remain committed to our vision of a brighter future for all. We will continue to adapt, innovate, and collaborate to address the evolving needs of our community. I am confident that, with your continued support, we will achieve even greater heights in the coming years.

Thank you for standing with us. Together, we are transforming lives and building lasting change.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Mr. IYAMUREMYE NSHUTI Augustin
Executive Director, Hope of Family





INTRODUCTION

Hope of Family (HoF) is a local Non-Governmental Organization established in 2018, situated in Shyogwe Sector, Muhanga district, Southern Province of Rwanda. Since its inception, HoF has been steadfast in its mission to reducing extreme family poverty through strong and efficient children education.

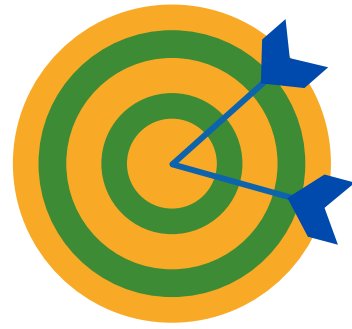
Our organization has evolved with a strategic focus on enhancing children's education, improving family livelihoods, and empowering youth economically. Through targeted interventions and community-centered programs, Hope of Family strives to uplift vulnerable families and create sustainable pathways out of poverty.

At the heart of our efforts lies the commitment to our mission: "Reducing Extreme Family Poverty through Strong and Efficient Children Education." By fostering educational opportunities, supporting livelihood initiatives, and empowering youth, HoF continues to make a profound impact on the communities we serve in Rwanda's Southern Province.



OUR MISSION

Reduce extreme family poverty through strong and efficient children education



OUR VISION

Families that live decent life with appropriate and timely involvement in their children education



OUR VALUES



Transparency



Time Management



Respect



Lifelong Learning



Accountability



Cooperation

YEAR IN

STATS:

GROWTH &

IMPACT

2024-2025



OUR 2024-2025 IMPACT IN FIGURES



Children who received comprehensive support in their education

839



Our Supported Primary School Children Passed the National Exam

32

100% TRANSITIONED TO SECONDARY SCHOOL



Adults people graduated in community literacy schools through HoF Support.

869



New titles produced for our Community Library books

5

NEW TITLES PRODUCED

100



Direct beneficiaries' families trained and actively engaged in enhancing their children's education

24,000



Parents and Community Members Engaged and reached by the campaigns done by Hope of Family on parental involvement in their children's education.

568



Children Attended the Talent Detection Program

76



Youths attended and graduated from our Leadership Academy training



Youths completed TVET school via our Youth Economic Empowerment Program

51



Youth Employed in Their Trained Fields

67



Families Empowered through Pig Livestock Support

50



Families Rehoused from Unsafe Living Conditions

11



Beneficiaries' families started small income-generating activities through savings and credit loan groups.

582



Supported Early Childhood Development centers

8



Children under 5 Received Nutritional Support via ECD Centers

132



Parents received comprehensive training on preparing balanced diets for their children

231



People paid for community-based health insurance

1,500



Modern kitchen gardens built for our beneficiaries

21



Families mobilized and established home gardens & received vegetable seeds

380



Families Launched rabbit farming projects for better nutrition and diversified income

100



Toilets built for our beneficiaries who struggled to have safe sanitation

46


EDUCATION THAT TRANSFORMS: THE IMPACT OF OUR HOLISTIC SUPPORT ON THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN FROM VULNERABLE FAMILIES.





At Hope of Family, we believe that every child regardless of their socioeconomic background deserves the opportunity to succeed in school and in life. During the fiscal year 2024–2025, we proudly supported **839 children from low-income beneficiary families** by equipping them with **a full package of scholastic materials**, including school bags, notebooks, pens, school uniforms, and more. This vital support ensured that every child completed the academic year with readiness, confidence, and the tools needed to thrive.


For families living in poverty, these basic items represent more hope and a real opportunity for their children to thrive.


The impact of this intervention speaks volumes:

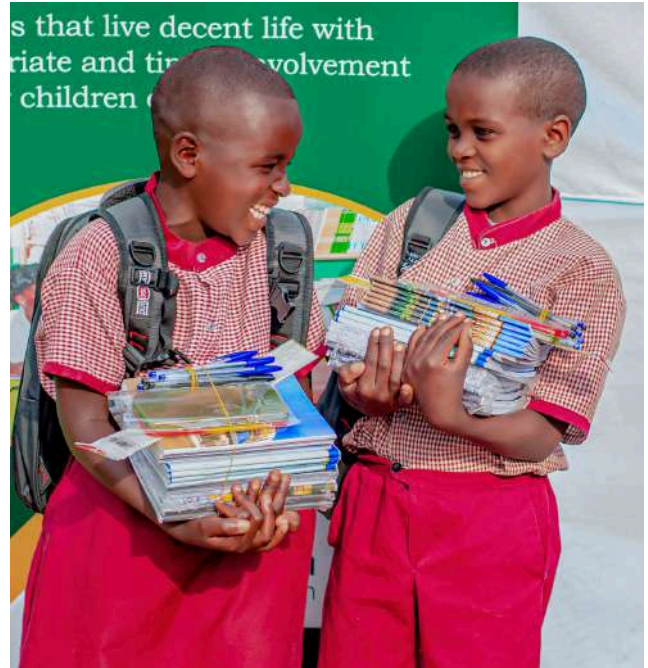
 **32 children** from our supported families successfully completed primary school, sat for the national examination, and achieved a **100% pass rate**. All of them have now transitioned to Senior One in secondary school, marking a major milestone in their educational journey.

 **85%** of supported students advanced to the next grade level, showing consistent academic progress.

 **78%** improved academically, showing at least a 1% increase in their average marks compared to the beginning of the school year, a clear indicator that the learning support is working.

 **96.5%** demonstrated accountability and care for their school materials, signaling not only responsibility but a deeper appreciation for the opportunity to learn.

 **91%** demonstrated a positive shift in attitude toward learning and school attendance. Children who once faced the risk of school dropout are now showing up, staying engaged, and believing in their potential



UNLOCKING POTENTIAL BEYOND THE CLASSROOM: OUR TALENT DETECTION PROGRAM





At Hope of Family, we believe that education extends beyond textbooks. In the fiscal year 2024–2025, we made significant strides in promoting holistic child development by expanding our Talent Detection and Development Program: a unique initiative that uplifts vulnerable rural children by unlocking their hidden potential talents and restoring joy, confidence, and purpose in their lives.


This year, the program empowered and brought together 568 vulnerable children to discover and develop their hidden talents, restoring their self-worth, strengthening peer connections, and creating a sense of hope for the future.


This program operated on weekends and throughout long school holidays, giving children a safe, stimulating environment to develop socially and emotionally while staying connected to education through play. For many of these children, this was the first time they had access to structured recreational activities, resources that children in urban areas often take for granted.


With mentorship provided by trained coaches, children were guided through structured talent tracks:

 **68 children in Drawing & Art** learned to express emotions and tell their stories visually.

 **103 children in Football** developed teamwork, discipline, and physical health.

 **207 children in Reading & Storytelling** cultivated literacy and imagination.

 **145 children in Traditional Dance** reconnected with cultural identity and pride.

 **45 children in Modern Dance** explored creativity and self-expression.



The impact has been profound:

- 🌟 Children's talents were discovered and nurtured, some for the very first time.
- 😊 Smiles returned to faces that were once marked by hardship.
- 🤝 Friendships and social bonds blossomed, enhancing emotional well-being.
- 🎓 Most importantly, they remained in an educationally enriched environment, reinforcing positive behavior and boosting motivation to learn.

By integrating play, mentorship, and personal growth into our education agenda, we are redefining what it means to support a child from a low-income background. This program isn't just about discovering future artists or athletes, it's about giving every child the dignity to express themselves, the space to dream, and the support to grow.



BRINGING JOY WHERE IT'S MOST NEEDED: CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR WITH 1,000 VULNERABLE CHILDREN



At Hope of Family, we believe that every child deserves more than just the basics of survival, they deserve to feel seen, celebrated, and loved. In the 2024–2025 fiscal year, we brought that belief to life by organizing a joy-filled Christmas and New Year celebration for 1,000 vulnerable children, including those from our beneficiary families and the wider rural community.

For many of these children, holiday celebrations are an unimaginable luxury. In our region, thousands grow up without ever experiencing the joy of Christmas, simply because their families cannot afford even the smallest gesture of festivity. But this past season, **we changed that story.**

🎄 Children sang songs, received surprise gifts, and celebrated with Santa Claus himself, a magical experience many had never had before.

🎁 Every child received something tangible, gifts that symbolized that they matter and are not forgotten.

😊 Most importantly, they experienced laughter, connection, and belonging in a safe and joyful environment.

This gathering created a happy memories and reinforced the emotional well-being of vulnerable children, encouraged social interaction, and built positive community spirit.

By offering moments like these, we reinforce our commitment to **holistic support**, combining educational access with emotional and social nourishment, so children grow not only smarter, but stronger, prouder, and more connected to their community.



HOPE THROUGH KNOWLEDGE: ADULTS ACQUIRED FOUNDATIONAL LEARNING SKILLS VIA ADULT LITERACY SCHOOL.





This year, Hope of Family proudly celebrated a significant milestone in our mission to break the cycle of intergenerational poverty: over **153** parents graduated from our Community Adult Literacy School via two cohorts. Each cohort completed an intensive six-month learning journey, equipping them with foundational literacy and numeracy skills that are already transforming their lives and the lives of their children. These dedicated individuals whom once limited by illiteracy, can now read, write, and actively support their children's education at home.

At Hope of Family, we recognize that the home is a child's first classroom and that empowered parents are the cornerstone of a child's success.

Through this initiative, we are not just teaching literacy; we are restoring dignity, rebuilding confidence, and reigniting hope. Our approach goes beyond the classroom—offering holistic support that addresses both educational and socio-economic challenges faced by vulnerable families.

✓ With this latest cohort, we've now reached a total of 819 adult learners who have acquired critical literacy and numeracy skills through our program. These parents are becoming active participants in their children's education, making informed decisions, and contributing to their communities in new and meaningful ways.



EMPOWERING FAMILIES TO CHAMPION EDUCATION: ADVANCING CHILDREN'S SUCCESS THROUGH PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN CHILDREN EDUCATION PROGRAM



In 2024–2025, Hope of Family made a significant stride toward achieving sustainable educational outcomes by strengthening one of the most overlooked pillars of child success—**parental involvement in children education**. Recognizing that active family engagement is a powerful predictor of a child’s academic performance, we designed and implemented a targeted intervention to equip parents with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to participate meaningfully in their children’s education.

Throughout the year, **100 new recruited families** participated in a one year comprehensive training sessions that covered:

- Parental involvement in education
- Reproductive health
- Human rights education
- Financial literacy

This training empowered parents to become proactive advocates not only within their own households but also in their communities. As a result of the **program’s community assignment model**, each trained parent was tasked with sensitizing at least one neighbor about the importance of education. This peer-to-peer outreach model yielded extraordinary results: **200 additional community members were mobilized** and are now increasingly engaged in supporting children’s learning.

BEHAVIOR CHANGE & MEASURABLE RESULTS FOR PARENTS

New recruited beneficiaries plus existing one are actively involving in their children education via setting aside revision time at home, assisting with homework, regular monthly visits to schools, participating in parent-school related activities.

100% of new trained parents are now visiting their children at school at least once a month, strengthening collaboration with teachers and school administrators.

24,000 people reached by Hope of Family’s campaigns advocating for engaged parenting in education.

In the 2024–2025 fiscal year, an inspiring **636 parents** and including our direct beneficiaries and those whose children attend **EP MBARE**, a school we support—actively engaged in their children’s education by visiting the school at **least once every month**.



Community-Led Change!

What makes this intervention unique is its community ownership model. Trained parents becoming advocates has triggered a multiplier effect—building a movement of informed, engaged, and empowered families who are taking collective responsibility for children's education across the sector.

YOUTH ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM ACHIEVED STRONG RESULTS IN ITS SECOND YEAR



In the second year of implementation, Youth Economic Empowerment Program (YEPP) has proven itself not only as a vehicle for transforming youth from vulnerable into productive, self-reliant individuals, but also as a catalyst for revitalizing entire families and safeguarding the education of younger siblings.

By targeting youth who were forced to abandon school due to financial hardships, this program is not only transforming the lives of individual participants but also elevating entire families and securing educational continuity for younger siblings.

WHEN EDUCATION STOPS TOO SOON

In many low-income rural households, education is often cut short. Young people especially from vulnerable families are pulled out of school due to financial constraints, becoming unable to contribute meaningfully to household income or development. This creates a cycle of intergenerational poverty, with little hope for reversing the trend unless deliberate intervention occurs.

Hope of Family responded to this challenge by developing a Youth Leadership and Skills Empowerment pathway, specifically for out-of-school youth. The aim is not only to empower them economically, but to rebuild their capacity to become change agents within their households and communities, including supporting their siblings' educational journeys.



PROGRAM REACH AND MILESTONES (2024–2025)

🎓 Cohort 2 Highlights:

- 67 youth enrolled, all of whom had dropped out of school due to economic constraints.
- Participated in Leadership Academy training with a three-month intensive curriculum covering:
 - Reproductive Health
 - Human Rights Education
 - Entrepreneurship & Leadership
- 51 graduates advanced to **TVET and technical training tracks in:**
 - Hairdressing (8)
 - Tailoring (6)
 - Masonry (5)
 - Mushroom Production (25)
 - Bike Taxi Operations (5)

These youth are now financially contributing to their families, paying school fees for siblings who otherwise would have dropped out, a direct and measurable impact on child education retention rates in their households.



RIPPLE EFFECTS IN THE COMMUNITY

One of the most powerful success stories comes from our mushroom farming graduates. After completing their six-month technical training, a group of youth formed savings and credit group and began supplying mushrooms to local hotels in Muhanga, saving the money at time. Today, they earn at least 200,000 RWF per month collectively, and have become a beacon of inspiration to others.



We used to struggle at home because we had dropped out of school. But after Hope of Family's training, our mindset changed. We chose mushroom farming, trained for six months, and started our business together. Now, we feed our community and develop ourselves every day.

— Victor SINDAYIGAYA, Mushroom Farmer & Program Graduate



COHORT 1: FROM GRADUATION IN TVET SCHOOL TO TRANSFORMATION

After the successful graduation of Cohort 1 in the program's first year, the impact in 2024–2025 is real and visible across communities.

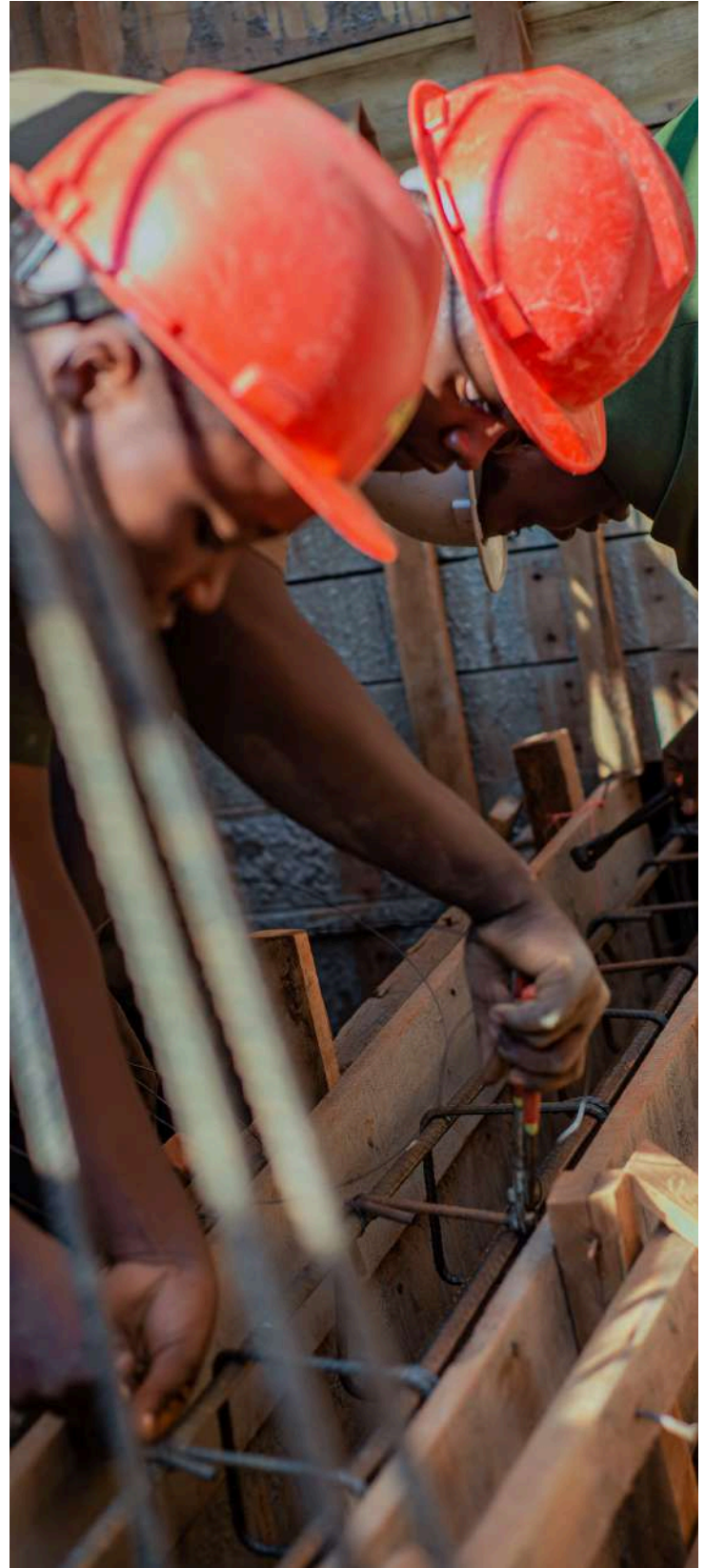
From **26 youth who graduated in tailoring and sewing**, 5 have established their own businesses and are now professional tailors operating independently. The remaining 21 received tailoring machines from Hope of Family and have formed savings and credit groups, ensuring both financial resilience and mutual support.



In welding, all 17 Cohort 1 graduates are meaningfully employed, 5 directly in welding, and 12 in related professions such as painting and construction finishing. **The 3 masonry graduates** have also secured stable employment, proudly supporting their households. In carpentry, all youth are now off the job market and integrated into productive roles, contributing to their local economies and homes.

The youth we serve were once seen as school dropouts. Today, they are entrepreneurs, tradespeople, and role models, proof that with the right opportunity, every young person can change their story and uplift those around them.

Because when youth rise, families heal—and children dream again.



HOPE IN THEIR HANDS: HOW SUPPORTED FAMILIES ARE RISING THROUGH OUR LIVELIHOOD INITIATIVES



SMALL INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITIES INITIATED

In fiscal year 2024–2025, we advanced another key pillar of our strategic plan: livelihood empowerment—with the primary aim of enabling families to independently support their children's education and overall well-being. This year, we provided catalytic support to **582 families**, helping them to launch a small sustainable income-generating activities and strengthening their capacity to build resilient, self-reliant households.

To make this possible, new recruited households(100 families) were integrated into 5 saving and credit group bringing our total to 36 Savings and Credit Groups established and supported by Hope of Family this year. Each member enjoyed **100% access to group-based lending**, which served as a springboard to start or scale their small businesses. Recognizing the barriers these families face in accessing traditional financing such as complex documentation and high interest rates, we provided seed capital to every group. This boosted their internal savings and loan capacities, making borrowing simpler, safer, and more effective for members.



"I got money from DUTERIMBERE saving and credit group where I belong. For us, it's difficult to ask for money from the bank because they request a lot of documents and the interest rates are high. So, I asked for credit from my savings group. I had a small project idea but lacked capital. I combined the money I got from the group with what I had and started this kiosk. Now, it's very beneficial to me and my family.

Thanks to her kiosk, Grace has significantly improved her family's quality of life.

I pay school fees for my child who is in secondary school, and I renovated our home. Our house was in a miserable state. I took some money from the group and renovated it. Now, we are living in a safe place.

My ambition will never stop there: I want to expand my kiosk and make it bigger. Soon, I will take another credit from the saving and credit group, buy more stock, and accommodate more clients from the community.

—Grace UWAMAHORO, our beneficiary.



FAMILIES STRENGTHENED VIA COMMUNITY-BASED HEALTH INSURANCE

At Hope of Family, we believe that a family's ability to support their children's education is deeply connected to their overall well-being, particularly their access to basic healthcare. When families are healthy, they are more productive, resilient, and better equipped to invest in their children's future.

That is why, during the fiscal year 2023–2024, we took a bold step in prioritizing health as a foundational pillar of socio-economic empowerment. With compassion and purpose, we provided annual Community-Based Health Insurance (CBHI) coverage to **1,500 vulnerable individuals** in our program areas.

Each of these individuals received full coverage worth **3,000 RWF per person, granting them access to Rwanda's public healthcare system for an entire year.** This critical support ensured that our beneficiaries could seek medical attention without facing financial hardship or having to make the impossible choice between healthcare and their children's school needs.

This initiative is critical as over 38.5% of the population in Muhanga district lives below the poverty line, (NISR's 2016/17 Integrated Household Living Conditions Survey (EICV5), making it difficult for many families to afford mandatory health insurance. By stepping in to provide this essential support, Hope of Family is ensuring that vulnerable families can access healthcare, which in turn helps create stable and safe conditions for children to learn and thrive.

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As of today, from these supported individuals, children no longer miss school due to untreated illnesses or parental health emergencies.



FIGHTING MALNUTRITION IN UNDER FIVE: HOME-BASED ECD CENTERS AT THE HEART OF CHANGE



At Hope of Family, we recognize that a child's ability to learn and thrive begins with proper nutrition. In communities like Shyogwe Sector (our area of operation) where 49.8% of children under five suffer from malnutrition and 46% of households live in poverty—intervening early is not optional; it is urgent and life-saving.

That's why in fiscal year 2024–2025, we continued to strengthen and expand our Home-Based Early Childhood Development (ECD) program, a critical arm of our livelihoods and child well-being strategy. This initiative directly combats under-five malnutrition while laying a strong foundation for children's lifelong learning and development.

ZERO MALNUTRITION AMONG GRADUATES

Last year, **100%** of the 60 children enrolled in four previously supported home-based ECD centers graduated to primary school **without a single case of malnutrition.**

Each of these children not only avoided the devastating consequences of stunting and cognitive delays, but also began their educational journey stronger, healthier, and more prepared to succeed.

SCALING THE IMPACT

Building on this momentum, we enrolled a **new round of 60 children** across the existing supported ECDs, providing each child with daily access to a balanced diet including porridge, eggs, and vegetables grown in on-site kitchen gardens. At the same time, we expanded the program by bringing in **four new home-based ECDs** centers, bringing the total number of under-five children supported in 2024–2025 to **132.**

EMPOWERING PARENTS TO SUSTAIN CHANGE

We know that nutrition doesn't stop at the center, it starts at home. That's why 100% of the children's parents received comprehensive, hands-on monthly practical training on how to prepare nutritious meals using locally available foods. This ensures that even when children are at home, they continue to receive the nourishment they need to grow, learn, and thrive.



KITCHEN GARDENS BUILT AND STRENGTHEN SOCIO-WELLBEING OF OUR BENEFICIARIES



In communities where families face poverty and food insecurity, daily meals rich in vegetables are often out of reach. This reality affects children most, leading to undernutrition that undermines their health and academic progress. as part of our holistic approach, we constructed **21 modern kitchen gardens** for 24 of the most vulnerable households in our program communities. These gardens provide families with consistent access to fresh vegetables, enhancing daily nutrition and reducing reliance on market purchases in vulnerable families where financial means are limited.

Recognizing the power of our beneficiaries-led solution, we mobilized **320 families** to establish their own kitchen gardens at home. These families were equipped with high-quality vegetable seeds and empowered with guidance on how to cultivate and manage small-scale gardens using local resources. This support has significantly improved their household food security and diversified their diets, directly benefiting both adults and children.

EDUCATING THE WIDER COMMUNITY PEOPLE

Beyond the gardens themselves, we leveraged the power of education to drive sustainable behavior change. Informative nutrition boards were installed in **29 villages**, sharing simple, actionable messages on how to prepare balanced meals using locally available ingredients. These boards reached an estimated **11,000+ community members**, many of whom are now more aware of the importance of nutrition and how to achieve it affordably.

"I used to consume food without vegetables. Our habit used to be the same—we didn't eat vegetables; we thought they were only for animals. But after recognizing how vegetables bring utilities to my body through trainings i got from Hope of Family, I decided to eat them every day with my family as well. We thank Hope of Family for building for me this modern kitchen garden as well. I am living the life I have never imagined before.
—NDEZI Gabriel, our beneficiary.



SUPPORTING BENEFICIARIES THROUGH LIVESTOCK AS A LADDER TO ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT



At Hope of Family, our commitment to improving the socio-economic welfare of vulnerable households is rooted in practical, sustainable, and dignity-centered solutions. In 2024–2025, we advanced this belief through a targeted livestock intervention aimed at enhancing income diversification, food security, and long-term resilience for our most vulnerable beneficiaries.

As part of our holistic and solution-oriented livelihood strategy, we supported **53 vulnerable families** by providing them with **domestic pigs** as a practical, income-generating asset with multiple returns. Carefully selected by their peers to ensure transparency and fairness, these families are now equipped with the opportunity to improve their living standards and contribute meaningfully to their children's educational journey.

LIVELIHOODS THAT FEED THE CLASSROOM

With the income from rearing pigs, families are meeting their basic needs and also are able to invest in school fees, uniforms, and supplies, thereby supporting children's uninterrupted access to education. In tandem, these families received hands-on training in proper pig farming practices to reduce disease risks and improve animal health, ensuring the intervention remains impactful and sustainable over time.

Moreover, our approach delivers more than just economic returns. The pigs also provide natural manure, which beneficiaries use to fertilize their kitchen gardens and farmlands, improving crop productivity and food security at home.



"I was given a pig to farm by Hope of Family as part of their many initiatives. Before this, I had no animals at home. From that one pig, I was able to grow and eventually buy a cow and goats. Now, the manure I use to nurture my land comes from my own animals."

I am now profiting from the rain to cultivate this taro so that it grows well. I'm expecting a bountiful yield and am incredibly thankful to Hope of Family. I am no longer in poverty—I have developed and grown wealthier.

—Nyirabavakure Agnes, a 68-year-old farmer and mother whose life has been transformed via pig farming.



A ROOF OF HOPE: HOUSING RENOVATIONS THAT TRANSFORM LIVES



At Hope of Family, we believe that every child deserves a safe and stable home because a secure shelter is not only a basic human right, but also the foundation from which children can thrive academically and emotionally.

During the fiscal year 2024–2025, as part of our holistic approach to our beneficiaries, our commitment to addressing the socio-economic barriers that hinder educational success led us to one of the most pressing challenges facing our beneficiaries: unsafe and poor housing.

Guided by our strategic vision and by considering our beneficiaries' feedback, we identified families living in extreme housing deprivation—structures that were not only unsafe, but that placed children in environments unfit for learning, rest, or growth.

In response, A total of 11 homes were renovated for our most vulnerable beneficiaries this year. 100% of these homes were previously unfit for human habitation, exposing families to cold, rain, disease, and insecurity.

These renovations have drastically improved the quality of life for these families, providing safe, weather-resistant living conditions and a conducive environment for children to revise their lessons, sleep comfortably, and live with dignity.



But our impact didn't stop at roofs and walls. Recognizing that health and hygiene are integral to family well-being, we addressed another pressing need: sanitation. Many of the families we serve lacked access to basic toilets, a gap that directly compromised hygiene, privacy, and public health. In response, **we constructed 46 durable, hygienic toilets for 46 families.** These new toilets have drastically improved daily life by reducing illness, restoring family privacy, and promoting a cleaner living environment for both children and adults.

"We feel human again. Before the renovation, our house was falling apart. My little son had no space to study, and we were always afraid when it rained. Now, we have a home that is safe. My child is proud to invite his friends. he has a place to read his books especially in evening time while revising his lesson. Hope of Family restored my life.

—Mukantabana Emerthe, Our beneficiary .



WE LAUNCHED A MODERN RABBIT FARMING PROJECT: A COMMUNITY- DRIVEN AND LIVELIHOOD INITIATIVE





In fiscal year 2024–2025, Hope of Family took bold strides toward addressing one of the most pressing challenges facing our beneficiary families: **food insecurity and poor nutrition.**

We proudly launched a modern rabbit farming project: a transformative initiative with 100 committed beneficiaries uniting to rewrite their story.

Beginning with just **50 rabbits**, the farm has doubled its livestock in only four months, growing to **100 rabbits**. This rapid progress is proof that with the right support, vulnerable communities can unlock pathways to resilience and long-term wellbeing.

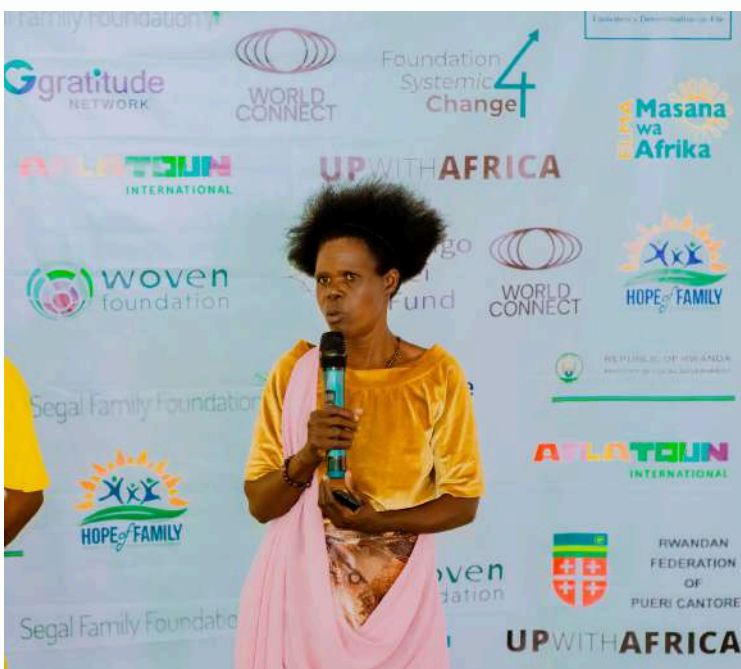
☞ Each of the 100 participating families is set to receive a rabbit, offering a crucial source of protein in households where access to meat has traditionally been limited due to economic hardship. This directly contributes to reducing malnutrition especially among children, whose physical and cognitive development is often hindered by poor diets. With healthier meals, children are more alert, more active, and more likely to perform well academically.

This rabbit farm will also serve as a practical learning center, where other community members can visit to gain hands-on experience in modern rabbit farming techniques. By promoting peer learning and knowledge-sharing, we're building local capacity and preparing the ground for future micro-enterprises in the sector.

The modern rabbit farming initiative embodies our holistic approach: tackle poverty from the ground up by empowering families with both the means and the mindset to thrive.

A JOURNEY OF TRANSFORMATION: CELEBRATING THE GRADUATION OF 220 FAMILIES





In the fiscal year 2024–2025, we proudly celebrated a powerful milestone in our journey toward our mission: the graduation of 120 households from Cohort 2 and 100 households from our Peer Driven Change (PDC) project. These families completed a 3–4 year transformative journey under our holistic model demonstrating that when families are supported comprehensively, children thrive academically and socially.

Our graduation day was filled with emotion and celebration. Families stood tall, not just with certificates in hand, but with compelling stories of transformation etched into their lives—stories made possible by our four foundational pillars:

- Children’s Education
- Parental & Financial Training
- Youth Economic Empowerment
- Livelihood Strengthening

**EDUCATIONAL IMPACT THAT
RESONATES FOR THESE
GRADUATES**

199 children from these graduated households completed primary school: a remarkable feat for families previously grappling with educational access and retention. These children were not only supported academically but also had the opportunity to explore and grow their talents through our Talent Detection Program in football, storytelling, art, and dance, nurturing both minds and self-esteem.

120 parents were trained in crucial areas including child rights, reproductive health, nutrition, and the importance of parental involvement in schooling. This helped build a home environment where education is prioritized and supported daily.



15 out-of-school youth from graduated families were reintegrated into vocational training, and are now employed, contributing to family income and modeling positive change for their younger siblings.

GRADUATED FAMILIES EMPOWER FOR SUSTAINABLE CHANGE

90% of graduated families launched income-generating activities, leveraging our savings and credit groups to build sustainable livelihoods.

98 families received pigs, now multiplied to 400+ piglets, ensuring sustainable income and food security.

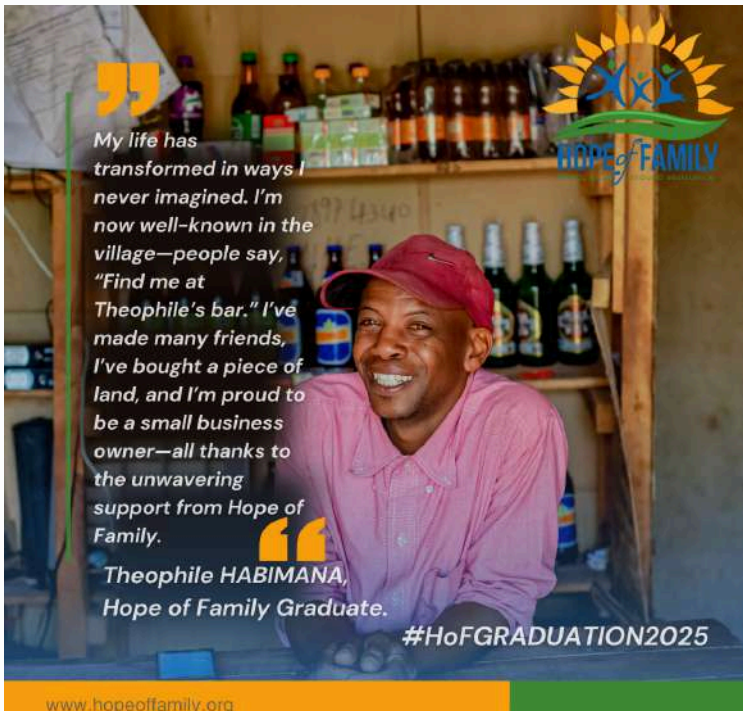
100 households now benefit from safe, renovated toilets; improving child health and school attendance.

COLLECTIVE POWER IN ACTION

Through solidarity and skill-building, our graduated community groups launched:

- Rabbit farming initiatives that doubled in just four months.
- A tailoring center that now trains 35 youth, empowering a new generation of entrepreneurs.
- A thriving hen farming project and a bicycle business through the innovative DUKOMEZANYE Group.

The graduation ceremony was filled with joy, pride, and powerful testimonies from families who now stand on their own. Local government officials, community leaders, our fellow partners joined us in celebrating this progress, underlining the deep-rooted partnership between Hope of Family and the communities we serve.



**DRIVING OUR SUSTAINABILITY:
LAUNCH OF MODERN PIG FARMING
COMPLEX AS OUR SOCIO ENTERPRISE**



In the fiscal year 2024–2025, Hope of Family achieved a landmark milestone in our journey toward long-term sustainability and community-led development. As outlined in our strategic plan, **we officially launched the Modern Pig Farming Complex**—a bold step forward in securing the future of our interventions for vulnerable children and their families.

This pioneering intervention is far more than a farm. It is a multi-dimensional solution to the interconnected challenges of poverty, food insecurity, and limited educational opportunity for vulnerable children. By generating local income, the Pig Farming Complex will allow us to reduce reliance on external funding and redirect revenues to sustain educational and livelihood programs, ensuring that vulnerable children continue to study effectively, dream boldly, and achieve strong academic performance.

This modern pig farming will also serve the community as:

📌 **Livelihood Boost for Vulnerable Families:** Through our Livelihood Program, this pig farming model will provide vulnerable families with access to piglets, contributing directly to improved household income and socio-economic welfare.

📌 **A Hub for Practical Learning:** Our facility will also serve as a professional training center, offering regional farmers and our program beneficiaries hands-on experience in modern pig farming, guided by qualified veterinarians and agriculture experts.

📌 A Go-To Resource for the Region:

We are proud to become a trusted piglet provider and agricultural partner. The farm will supply healthy piglets to community members while offering ongoing mentorship, ensuring best practices in animal care and maximizing economic returns.



OUR WORK WITH PARTNERS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT



I. WE COLLABORATED WITH FRENCH BOY SCOUTS TO RENOVATE HOMES FOR VULNERABLE FAMILIES IN SHYOGWE SECTOR.

In the fiscal year 2024–2025, Hope of Family strengthened its commitment to improving children's education and family well-being through a meaningful collaboration with a group of French Boy Scouts. Together, we renovated a home for one vulnerable family in Shyogwe Sector, improving living conditions and creating stable environments where children can study, rest, and thrive.

A family of Mr. Nyandwi Ildephonse, a father of two primary school children. His home, which was previously in an unsafe and dilapidated state, was restored to a safe and decent condition. This transformation allowed his children to revise their lessons in a secure environment and demonstrated the powerful link between stable housing and academic performance.

During their visit, the French Scouts immersed themselves in the rural life of Shyogwe. They interacted with local families and connected with children in our Talent Detection Program, particularly those participating in drawing and football activities. These interactions created moments of cultural exchange, learning, and mutual understanding.

This intervention is rooted in our mission to support vulnerable households and strengthen children's educational outcomes. According to a baseline study conducted by Hope of Family in 2018, 90 percent of parents in the Shyogwe Sector cannot provide adequate revision time for their children at home, largely due to poor housing conditions. Additionally, recent data shows that approximately 784 families in the sector still live in unsafe homes.



II. WOVEN FOUNDATION PARTNERS' LEADERSHIP CORNER GATHERING

In the fiscal year 2024–2025, we proudly joined a transformative three-day Leadership Corner alongside fellow grassroots partners **Dorcas Consolation Family (DCF)** and **Peace Education Initiative Rwanda**. This milestone engagement, made possible through the generous support of Woven Foundation, created a collaborative space where community-rooted organizations came together to drive shared learning and action.

This unique space brought together executive leaders, program managers, and even beneficiaries to exchange knowledge, challenge assumptions, and co-create innovative responses to the pressing issues facing our communities. The space enabled authentic peer-to-peer learning, as executives engaged in direct dialogue, and program leaders shared insights with their counterparts.

Key focus areas included strengthening transparency and accountability in grassroots programming, cultivating trust-based collaboration, and fostering values-driven leadership that aligns with community needs. This approach reinforced the belief that impactful change emerges when all voices from leadership to the grassroots are acknowledged and empowered.

This experience strengthened our internal capacity, leadership and reaffirmed the power of partnerships in shaping sustainable solutions. We are deeply grateful to the Woven Foundation for their vision, support, and commitment to uplifting local leadership.



III. WE PARTNERED WITH MUHANGA DISTRICT TO SUPPORT FAMILIES THROUGH A FAMILY CONFLICT RESOLUTION GATHERING.

In the fiscal year 2024–2025, Hope of Family partnered with Muhanga District and Shyogwe Sector to support 62 vulnerable families through a Family Conflict Resolution Gathering. The event addressed key issues such as gender-based violence and legal consequences of family disputes, with guidance from local authorities, RIB, and RNP. Four families shared their stories of reconciliation, inspiring others to begin their journey of healing.

A powerful moment came from Mrs. Mukambonyi Delphine, a former beneficiary who completed our one-year parental training. She now supports other families, showing the lasting impact of equipping parents with skills in conflict resolution, financial literacy, and positive parenting.

Hope of Family's one-year parental training program continues to equip families with essential tools to foster safe, stable, and supportive home environments where children can focus on learning and thrive academically.

This work is critical. According to the 2023 Rwanda Governance Board Citizen Scorecard, family conflict (22.3%) is the leading threat to family cohesion, directly affecting children's education and emotional well-being. Through our partnership with government and community actors, we are building resilience where it matters most—at home.



STRENGTHENING OUR SKILLS FROM WITHIN: OUR YEAR OF WORKSHOP AND CAPACITY BUILDING

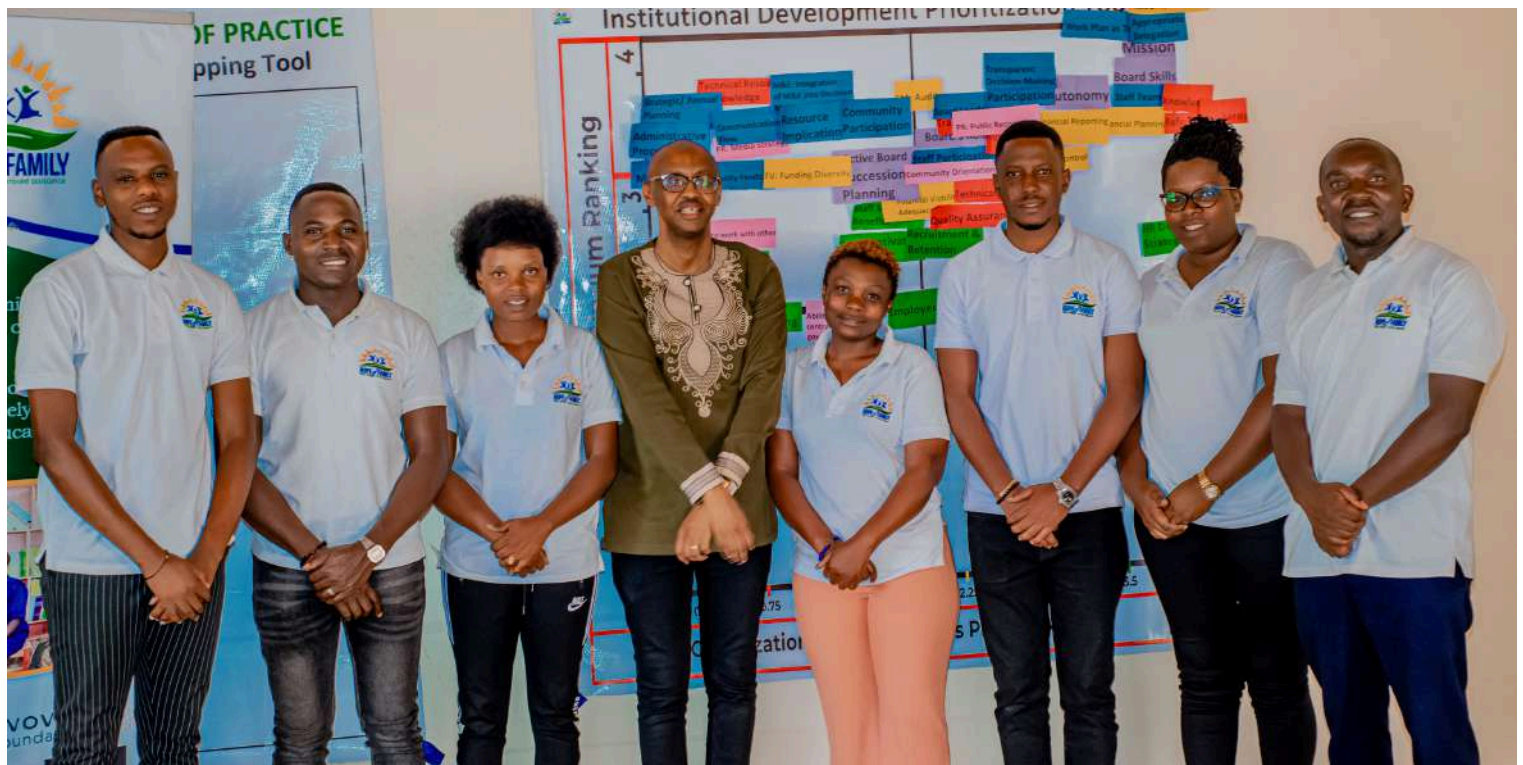


I. ENHANCING ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY THROUGH THE INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK (IDF) WORKSHOP

In fiscal year 2024–2025, we took a step toward long-term sustainability by engaging in a transformative three-day Institutional Development Framework (IDF) workshop. This intensive training equipped our team with powerful tools to assess the health of our organization across key domains including leadership, strategic planning, staff capacity, and resource management.

By applying the IDF tool, our staff conducted a critical self-evaluation that uncovered both strengths and areas for growth. As a result, we designed and developed a comprehensive improvement plan that addresses gaps, mitigates risks, and unlocks new opportunities to deliver even greater impact to the vulnerable families we serve.

This workshop marks a significant milestone in our journey toward organizational excellence. We are deeply grateful to the **Woven Foundation** for supporting this initiative.



II. INVESTING IN OUR PEOPLE: A TRANSFORMATIVE STAFF RETREAT TO STRENGTHEN WELL-BEING AND IMPACT

At Hope of Family, we believe that our ability to uplift communities is directly tied to the well-being of the people behind our mission. In the fiscal year 2024–2025, we took a bold and intentional step to invest in our most valuable asset: our team.

As part of our commitment to holistic care, our implementation team gathered in Rubavu for a three-day transformative retreat under the theme “**Navigating Difficult Emotions for Better Wellbeing.**” Far more than a moment of rest, this retreat was a strategic investment in emotional resilience, mental clarity, and team renewal.

Led by a professional psychotherapist, the first two days were dedicated to a guided silent retreat, where staff engaged in mindfulness practices, emotional intelligence training, and deep personal reflection. In a safe and structured space, they learned tools to better navigate stress, manage emotional fatigue, and maintain balance; all critical skills for professionals working closely with vulnerable populations.

The final day brought a soulful connection with nature. Our team explored the tranquil shores of Lake Kivu, embracing the calm and beauty of the environment. This peaceful water journey was not just scenic, it was symbolic of the clarity and restoration we aim to carry back into our daily work.

The outcome was powerful: our staff returned refreshed, emotionally grounded, and more connected to themselves, to one another, and to the mission we serve.

The ripple effect of this experience is already evident in stronger teamwork, improved communication, and renewed energy in our community engagement efforts.

This retreat reaffirmed our belief that caring for those who care for others is not a luxury—it is a necessity. By cultivating internal well-being, we are strengthening the external impact of every intervention we deliver.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the **Imago Dei Fund** for making this possible. Your continued support goes far beyond programmatic impact—it strengthens the very people who make lasting change possible.



III. STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION TRAINING TO AMPLIFY IMPACT

In fiscal year 2024–2025, we invested in strengthening one of its most vital tools for growth and influence: communication. As part of our ongoing commitment to organizational excellence, our team took part in a transformative one-day workshop titled **“Enhancing Communication & Engagement.”**

Led by Communication Specialist Alice DUSABIMANA and co-facilitated by Emmanuel TUGANIMANA, this session empowered our staff with practical knowledge and skills to effectively communicate our work, connect with our audiences, and showcase the real-world impact of our interventions.

Through this training, our team developed stronger capacities in:

- ✓ Responsible personal social media use to safeguard and uplift the organization's public image.
- ✓ Strategic content planning to increase visibility and tell our story with clarity and purpose.
- ✓ Effective workplace communication to improve internal collaboration and accountability.
- ✓ Storytelling for nonprofits, learning how to craft authentic narratives that resonate with supporters and beneficiaries alike.

This training served as an investment in how we share our mission, impact, and the voices of the communities we serve. With these strengthened communication skills, our team is now better equipped to mobilize support, inspire action, and amplify the success of our beneficiaries.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the **Segal Family Foundation** for sponsoring this workshop. Your support not only enriched our team's capabilities but also enhanced our ability to drive lasting change through more powerful engagement.



IV. STRENGTHENING THE TEAM BEHIND THE MISSION: STAFF GROWTH WORKSHOP ON LABOR DAY 2024–2025

At Hope of Family, we know that the strength of our impact begins with the strength of our team. That's why, during the 2024–2025 fiscal year, we turned this year's Labor Day celebration into a meaningful learning experience by organizing an internal workshop themed: **“Managing Staff Personality and Behavior.”**

This workshop was a pivotal moment of **self-reflection, growth, and renewed unity**. Guided by a personality and behavior framework, each team member gained deeper insight into their working style; whether they are people-oriented or task-driven, sociable or reserved. This journey into self-awareness and empathy has already begun strengthening how we collaborate, resolve conflict, and support one another in our shared mission.

Beyond learning, the workshop served as a reflective pause, allowing us to celebrate how far we've come, assess areas for improvement, and recommit to the path ahead with intention and solidarity.

Our Executive Director, Mr. IYAMUREMYE NSHUTI Augustin, closed the day with words of appreciation and encouragement. He praised the team's dedication and emphasized the importance of staying united as we continue transforming lives.



V.DEEPENING OUR CULTURE OF SAFETY AND ACCOUNTABILITY: SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP

Fiscal Year 2024–2025 marked a pivotal moment in our ongoing commitment to safety and protection. With the invaluable support of **Segal Family Foundation**, we organized a dynamic Safeguarding Refresher Workshop that empowered our team to reinforce one of the most critical pillars of our work: safeguarding the dignity, rights, and well-being of every child, beneficiary, and staff member we engage with.

Far from being a routine compliance activity, this workshop served as a transformative learning experience. Our staff actively engaged in scenario-based roleplays, practical exercises, and peer-led discussions that deepened our understanding of the safeguarding policy and elevated our capacity to recognize, report, and respond to signs of abuse or harm.

The sessions reignited our collective awareness that safeguarding is not just a document we reference, it is a culture we embody. Whether in the field or at the office, it is the lens through which we evaluate our decisions, our interactions, and our accountability to the communities we serve.

This renewed commitment is already translating into stronger practices:

- Staff are more confident and proactive in raising safeguarding concerns.
- Clearer reporting channels and response protocols have been integrated into our day-to-day operations.

At Hope of Family, we believe that true impact begins with safety. This workshop marked a significant step forward in operationalizing that belief, ensuring that every program we implement is built on the bedrock of protection and care.

We are deeply grateful to the Segal Family Foundation for recognizing the importance of this work. Your support enabled us to strengthen our capacity, reinforce our values, and deliver on our promise to serve with compassion, vigilance, and integrity.



SPECIAL EVENTS AND MEETING ATTENDED



I.HOPE OF FAMILY AT THE WOVEN FOUNDATION'S EAST AFRICA PARTNER COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE GATHERING

In fiscal year 2024–2025, Hope of Family took an important step toward deepening our institutional resilience and operational excellence by actively participating in the Woven Foundation's Community of Practice Gathering held in Kampala, Uganda. Representing the organization, our Executive Director, Mr. IYAMUREMYE NSHUTI Augustin, joined peer organizations from across East Africa to engage in critical discussions centered on the Institutional Development Framework (IDF); a key pillar in ensuring long-term sustainability and effectiveness among mission-driven entities.

This year's gathering, hosted by Our Lady of Perpetual Support (OLPS), provided a platform for partners to present progress made since the last convening in Rubavu. Organizations collaboratively explored the Institutional Development Mapping Tool, a robust assessment instrument designed to evaluate capacity, identify opportunities for growth, and flag operational risks. Through this process, participating organizations, including Hope of Family, refined their strategic thinking around institutional health and investment readiness.

Our Executive Director played a vital role during the gathering by sharing Hope of Family's experience with implementing the IDF. His leadership in conducting our internal Organizational Capacity Assessment served as a powerful case study, illustrating how structured frameworks can translate into actionable insights for institutional strengthening.

His contribution not only highlighted the strides Hope of Family has made but also inspired peer organizations on their own journeys toward sustainable growth.

By engaging with regional partners, we strengthened not only our knowledge base but also our regional alliances—foundations that are essential for building resilient systems that can drive lasting change.

We are deeply grateful to the Woven Foundation for cultivating a space that empowers organizations to think critically about their operational health and to support each other in elevating their impact.



II. SEGAL FAMILY FOUNDATION'S END-OF-YEAR COCKTAIL WITH RWANDAN PARTNERS

As part of our continuous commitment to building strong partnerships and enhancing organizational capacity, Hope of Family had the honor of participating in the **Segal Family Foundation** End-of-Year Cocktail held at Kigali Convention Center. This high-level gathering brought together change-makers and partner organizations of Segal Family Foundation from across Rwanda, reinforcing the power of collaboration and shared vision.

A standout panel discussion featuring Isabelle Kamariza (Solid'Africa), Uwamahoro Delphine (Our Sisters Opportunity - OSO), and Satir Omar Bahati (Uwezo Youth Empowerment) tackled pressing challenges and opportunities facing grassroots organizations like ours.

Key takeaways included:

- Innovative fundraising approaches in traditionally underfunded sectors such as inclusion and equity.
- Building resilient ventures by leveraging past experiences and local wisdom.
- The critical importance of staying true to organizational identity and mission, even when faced with funding that might risk compromising core values.

This opportunity to connect, exchange, and learn from fellow Segal Family Foundation partners reaffirms the immense value of being part of such a visionary network. It sharpened our strategic thinking and strengthened our resolve to implement impactful and scalable programs in the communities we serve.

We are deeply grateful to the Segal Family Foundation for fostering a platform where local organizations can grow, innovate, and lead. Events like this directly contribute to our institutional development and ultimately translate into more effective solutions for vulnerable families and children.



III. HOPE OF FAMILY AT THE 9TH EAST AFRICA PHILANTHROPY NETWORK (EAPN) CONFERENCE

Hope of Family proudly participated in the 9th East Africa Philanthropy Network (EAPN) Conference, held in Kigali under the powerful theme: **“Agile Philanthropy: Adapting to Economic, Social and Political Shifts.”**

Our Executive Director represented the organization among a diverse network of leading philanthropic institutions, grassroots actors, and policy influencers across East Africa. This strategic engagement allowed us to immerse ourselves in transformative conversations aimed at redefining African philanthropy—not as charity from the top down, but as community-driven solutions led by the people closest to the challenges.

One of the most powerful messages from the conference was that ***“communities must be seen as the experts of their own development.”*** This insight directly validates our model at Hope of Family, where we invest in family empowerment, early childhood education, and local leadership.

By attending, Hope of Family strengthened its voice in shaping the future of philanthropy, aligning our mission with a broader continental movement. The knowledge and partnerships gained are already informing our strategic direction and deepening our impact on the ground.



IV. PROVINCIAL FORUM ON EMPLOYMENT PROMOTION AND DECENT WORK

In fiscal year 2024–2025, Hope of Family continued to strengthen its voice in national dialogues shaping Rwanda's future. We participated in Provincial Forum on Employment Promotion and Decent Work held in Huye District. This high-level gathering brought together a wide spectrum of stakeholders including government representatives, academia, private sector actors, and members of the National Employment Taskforce—to explore the implementation of the National Employment and Skills Strategy (NESS).

The forum emphasized private sector engagement and academia-industry collaboration as critical components in creating a resilient and future-ready workforce; goals that are deeply aligned with our mission.

Through our flagship Youth Economic Empowerment Program, we are actively contributing to these national priorities by empowering rural youth especially those who missed formal education with market-relevant skills and opportunities. We support them to enroll in TVET schools, graduate with confidence, and transition into entrepreneurship or employment.

Our presence and recognition at this strategic forum affirmed our role as a committed partner in national efforts toward inclusive employment creation. It also offered valuable opportunities to network, learn from peers, and reinforce partnerships that will continue to scale the impact of our work.



V. PARTICIPATION IN THE WOVEN FOUNDATION EAST AFRICA COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE MEETING – KISUMU, KENYA

In fiscal year 2024–2025, we continued to strengthen our regional collaboration and deepen our institutional learning by actively participating in the Woven Foundation's East Africa Community of Practice (CoP) Meeting held in Kisumu, Kenya.

This vibrant convening brought together visionary partners from across the region, including newly onboarded organizations such as Nyanam Widows Rising and AGIR-DRC, offering a fertile ground for collective reflection, knowledge exchange, and strategic alignment.

Our team proudly presented our updated Institutional Development Framework (IDF) improvement plan, sharing our progress and lessons learned with fellow partners. We also had the honor to co-lead critical sessions on Theory of Change and knowledge sharing, reinforcing our leadership in peer-to-peer learning and promoting our community-driven approach to development.

Engaging with fellow partners, visiting grassroots initiatives, and exchanging with local beneficiaries reinforced our belief in locally-led, culturally-rooted solutions. This experience not only enriched our strategic thinking but also positioned Hope of Family as a strong regional voice in driving transformative change for rural communities.



VI. HOPE OF FAMILY AT MUHANGA DISTRICT OPEN DAY

We proudly took part in Muhanga District Open Day, a key event uniting district partners including local authorities, private institutions, international and local NGOs, and faith-based organizations. This special exhibition provided a unique platform for all partners to showcase their contributions to the socio-economic development of the district.

We leveraged this opportunity to speak on local radio, presenting compelling evidence of our impact and emphasizing the importance of child-centered, family-empowering approaches. Visitors from across the district visited our booth, where we discussed our tailored interventions, especially our savings and credit initiatives, and how they serve as gateways to economic independence for vulnerable families.

During the closing ceremony, our beneficiary of our programs took the stage in front of district officials and fellow partners. She shared her powerful transformation from hardship to hope, thanks to her participation in our savings group. Her testimony about launching income-generating activities and securing her children's education was a profound reminder of why we do what we do.

The event not only provided a platform to showcase our work but also strengthened our commitment to improving the lives of families in our community.



VII. OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GRADUATED FROM GRATITUDE NETWORK FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

This year, we are proud to share a significant achievement that reflects our ongoing investment in excellence and growth: our Executive Director IYAMUREMYE NSHUTI Augustin successfully graduated from the prestigious **Gratitude Network Fellowship Program**.

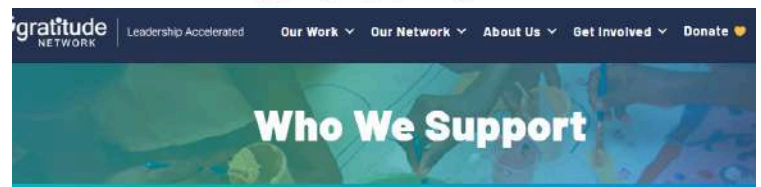
This competitive, year-long global fellowship selects only 30–40 nonprofit leaders annually from around the world. It is designed to accelerate the growth of high-impact organizations working to transform the lives of children and youth through Education, Health and Wellbeing, and Children's Rights—three pillars that are central to our mission.

Throughout the program, our Executive Director engaged in intensive virtual coaching, leadership development, and strategic planning—equipping Hope of Family with enhanced tools to scale our work, improve operational effectiveness, and deepen our impact. This experience has not only strengthened our leadership but also expanded our global network of changemakers and potential collaborators.

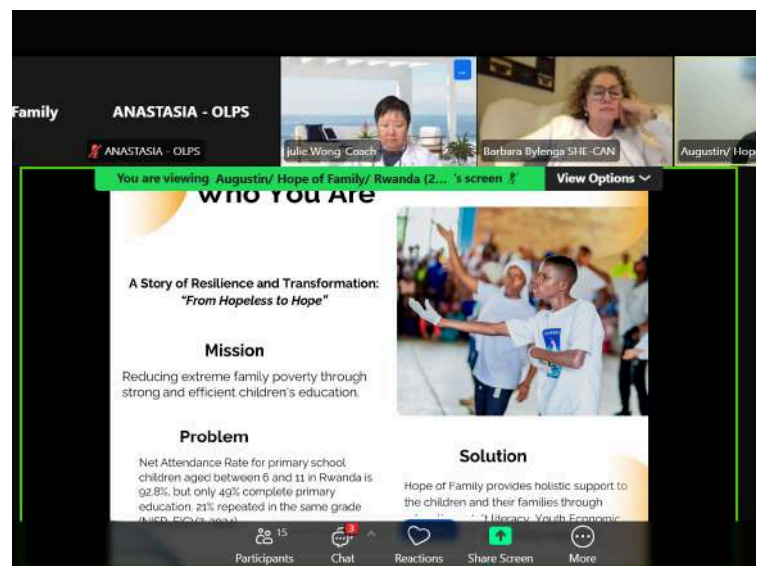
We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Gratitude Network for empowering our vision and helping us dream bigger for the children and families we serve. This milestone underscores our commitment to continuous learning and excellence as we work to break the cycle of extreme family poverty through education-focused solutions.



www.gratitude-network.org



2024 Fellows



VIII. STRENGTHENING REGIONAL COLLABORATION WITH UP WITH AFRICA

In year 2024–2025, Hope of Family proudly participated in a regional convening of Up with Africa partners from across East Africa; a dynamic gathering designed to strengthen collaboration, reflect on shared progress, and ignite collective ambition for the year ahead.

The meeting fostered open dialogue around ongoing activities, offering valuable insights into what's working on the ground and how we can better serve our communities through adaptive strategies. Our team left inspired and equipped with fresh perspectives, new tools, and a renewed sense of purpose.

Our team also with Steve Dobo, the visionary Founder of Up with Africa, and Tamra Arp, the dedicated Managing Director. Their passion and leadership continue to energize our efforts and remind us of the power of grassroots partnerships in driving meaningful change.

More than just a meeting, this gathering deepened our regional collaboration and sparked dialogue around new, high-impact initiatives. It reaffirmed our shared vision of sustainable development driven by trust, learning, and grassroots leadership.

The insights and networks gained from this encounter are already informing our planning processes and enhancing our capacity to deliver results that matter.



NEW PARTNERSHIP MADE



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WELCOMING A TRANSFORMATIVE ALLY IN OUR MISSION: ELMA MASANA WA AFRIKA

This year marked a pivotal moment in our journey at Hope of Family, as we proudly welcomed a new and transformative partner into our growing circle of supporters: ELMA Masana wa Afrika.

Masana wa Afrika is a dynamic, Africa-based foundation dedicated to empowering grassroots organizations working at the heart of communities to ensure that African children not only survive but thrive. Their commitment to driving long-term, community-rooted impact aligns seamlessly with our mission to reduce extreme family poverty through strong and efficient children's education.

Their partnership is not just a funding milestone—it is a powerful affirmation of the relevance and potential of our work. With the support of Masana wa Afrika, we are strengthening our capacity to reach more families, unlock new opportunities for vulnerable children, and accelerate the transformation of entire communities.

This collaboration brings renewed energy and purpose to our work. Together, we are not only expanding access to quality education but also deepening our impact across multiple dimensions of family well-being—from economic resilience to social empowerment.

We are deeply grateful to **Masana wa Afrika** for placing their trust in us. Their belief in our approach reinforces our determination to build sustainable pathways out of poverty for the families we serve.



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As we reflect on the milestones achieved throughout this fiscal year, our hearts are filled with deep gratitude. The unwavering support from our donors has been the driving force behind every success, every life transformed, and every child empowered through our programs.

From sustaining our day-to-day operations to fueling new and innovative initiatives, your generosity has touched every corner of our work. In every classroom, family meeting, and community activity, your belief in our mission has made a profound difference.

Thank you for walking alongside us, for trusting in our vision, and for being champions of change. Your continued support inspires us to reach further, work harder, and dream bigger for the communities we serve.

Together, we are proving that when we invest in children and families, we create ripple effects that shape a brighter, more equitable future.

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SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO BARRY SEGAL, FOUNDER OF SEGAL FAMILY FOUNDATION



IN MEMORIAM: HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF BARRY SEGAL

This year, we at Hope of Family were deeply saddened by the passing of Barry Segal, the visionary founder of the Segal Family Foundation. His departure is not only a great loss to your organization, but also to all of us who were honored to walk alongside his mission.

Barry was more than a philanthropist; he was a beacon of hope and a powerful advocate for African-led change. His unwavering belief in local solutions and grassroots leadership enabled transformative work across the continent. Here in Rwanda, his influence lives on in the families and children whose lives have been changed through the support he so generously provided.

We have always considered the Segal Family Foundation as part of our extended family, and Barry as a guiding elder whose values shaped and uplifted our journey. His legacy will continue to inspire us as we carry forward the work he so passionately believed in.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the entire Segal Family Foundation team. May Barry Segal's remarkable spirit continue to guide and strengthen all of us working to build a better future.

With sympathy and solidarity,
Hope of Family Team

Segal Family Foundation

OUR 2024–2025 SPECIAL VISIT HIGHLIGHTS





Hosting Mrs. Valentina Beeler of Suyana Foundation—an enriching exchange focused on our shared mission to uplift vulnerable families.





Honored to host Stand Together for Change, a local NGO uplifting children with disabilities from underprivileged families.





We had the pleasure of hosting a team from SINAPISI Rwanda, a local NGO dedicated to advancing education, health, social welfare, economic empowerment, and food security. This enriching visit served as a platform for mutual learning, experience-sharing, and exploring future avenues for collaboration.





Hosted Peace Education Initiative Rwanda for a Leadership Corner session—fostering peer learning and partnership through Woven Foundation’s initiative.





We were honored to host Mrs. Sophia, a dear friend of Hope of Family, for a meaningful visit that offered her firsthand insight into our mission and impact. Her day began with a tour of our office and a detailed presentation on our programs to reduce extreme family poverty through strong children's education. The visit continued in the field, where she met UWINDEMEYE Vestine, one of our inspiring beneficiaries.



We Visited FMI Ubumuntu in Gisagara, we learned from their volunteer-driven approach and joined their 'School Greening' campaign by planting trees.





We visited Gardens for Health International, a Rwanda-led nonprofit and We engaged in valuable peer learning with their dedicated program managers, strengthening collaboration and shared impact.



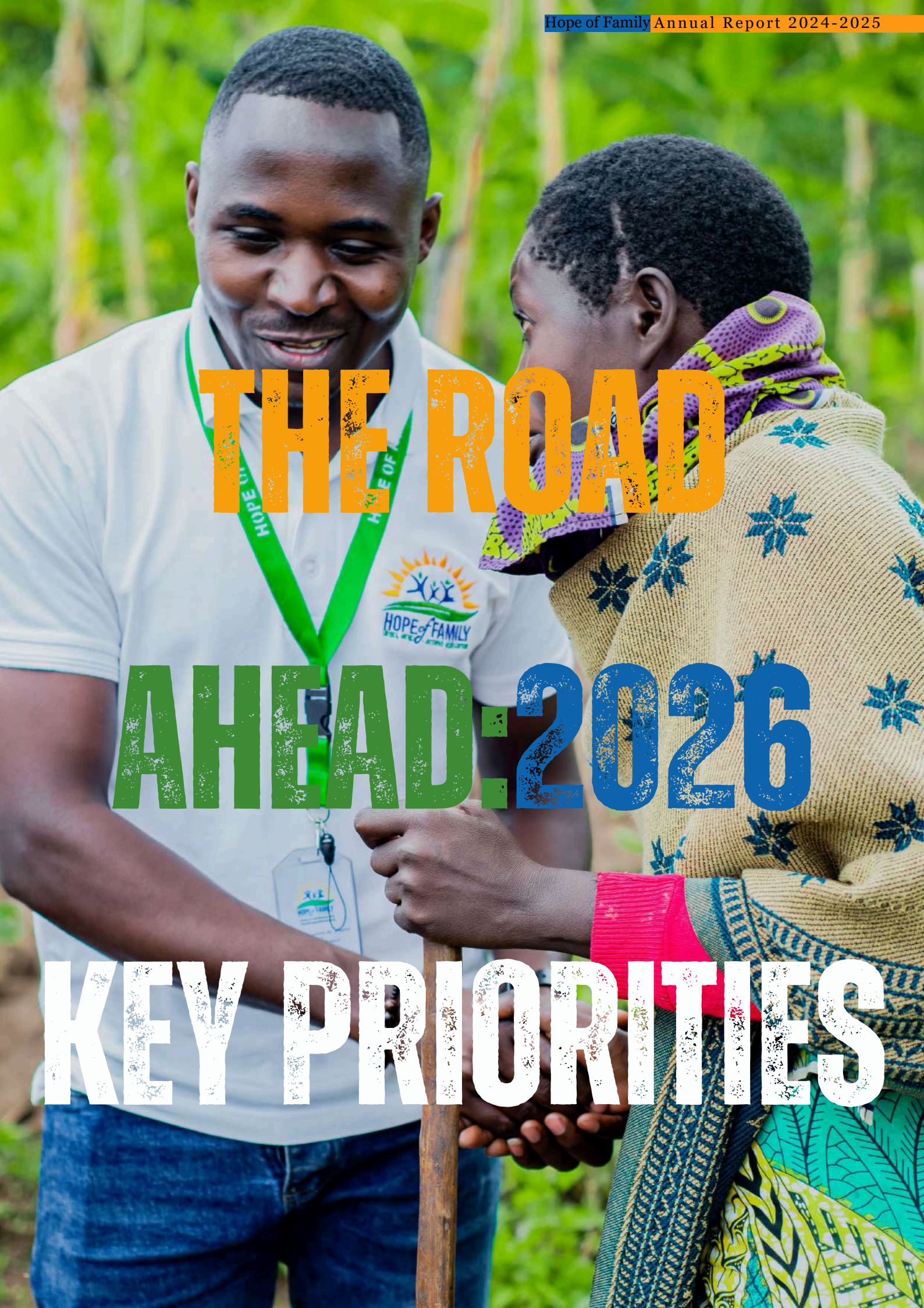
We welcomed Mrs. KAYITARE Jacqueline, Mayor of Muhanga, and officials to our office, sharing our work on children's education and livelihoods. She toured our rabbit and pig farms and met beneficiaries, seeing our community impact firsthand.





Welcoming Woven Foundation Partners: We were honored to host changemakers from Kenya, Uganda, and DR Congo as part of the Community of Practice initiative—fostering peer learning, collaboration, and cross-border solidarity among locally-led organizations.





THE ROAD

AHEAD: 2026

KEY PRIORITIES

As we reflect on the transformation made in 2024-2025—empowering children, families, and youth from vulnerable backgrounds—we step into 2025-2026 with renewed commitment and purpose. Below are the key priorities guiding our journey in the year ahead:

EXPANDING EDUCATIONAL ACCESS FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN

We will continue to bridge the education gap by providing school materials and learning resources to children from disadvantaged families we work with plus new families to be enrolled. This support ensures that no child is left behind due to a lack of basic tools needed for success in their primary education.

WELCOMING NEW BENEFICIARY FAMILIES

As part of our holistic approach, we will enroll a new cohort of vulnerable families into our support programs. These families will gain access to child education support, economic empowerment, health initiatives, and overall household strengthening interventions.

YOUTH ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT EXPANSION

In 2026, a new group of youth will be enrolled into our program, targeting those facing critical life conditions of dropping out the school due to financial issues. We will also scale support for our youth alumni by facilitating the creation of small businesses and linking them with local entrepreneurs to access employment opportunities and mentorship.

SCALING UP THE FIGHT AGAINST MALNUTRITION

We will broaden our malnutrition prevention initiatives through our ECD centers. This includes increasing nutritional support and care for children under five and extending our reach to new home-based ECDs, helping more families raise healthy children.

TALENT DETECTION AND RECREATION CENTER DEVELOPMENT

To unlock potential in children beyond academics, we will expand our Talent Detection Program by constructing a new recreation center. This will serve as a safe and inclusive space for children to express their talents in sports, dance, storytelling, and the arts.

INTRODUCING NEW PROGRAM

We are set to introduce a new program which will equip History teachers in secondary schools with high-quality teaching and learning materials. The program will also provide training to enhance their ability to deliver engaging and informed instruction in classrooms, as well as supporting students clubs and community awareness.

STRENGTHENING FAMILY SOCIO-WELFARE

We will deepen our impact on family well-being through an increase in community-based solutions such as the creation and support of new Savings and Credit Groups, construction of kitchen gardens, home renovations, and promotion of safe and stable living environments.



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