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2007 Year in Review

In African society orphans are nothing," wrote Kelvin, "but for me I know I am something, now that I am loved, cared for, and receiving a good education. Since I've come to a Be A HERO Children's Home and have a sponsor, my mourning has turned to rejoicing, and I see a bright and wonderful future lying before me."

Our HEROES have raised over \$4,000,000 for more children's homes, schools, medical clinics, refugee housing, and disaster relief. These funds have saved the lives of thousands of orphaned children like Kelvin (see above), paying for them to have food, a warm bed, schooling, medical care, and caregivers to love them. At one time, these orphans were barely surviving by begging, scrounging in garbage dumps, kept as slaves, or worse. Here are some 2007 highlights:

AFRICA

Kenya - This year marked the opening of a new High School, a new elementary school, completion of a waste treatment plant, another dormitory for 80 orphans, construction of a medical clinic, and initiation of an agricultural project. [Full report...](#)

Projects under construction include another dorm, four more classrooms and a dining hall/kitchen in Nyahururu. [Details...](#)

Uganda - The Village of Hope for the child-mothers (those who have escaped or been rescued out of slavery by the LRA) in Gulu is nearing completion. Over 25 hut homes have been built, and the Vocational Training Centre opened its doors to almost 450 young women who will benefit from the programs offered there. A Nursery school has started, to care for the children while their moms are in class. Next on the construction schedule is an elementary school.

[How you can help...](#)

In Namugongo we have started construction on a 160-bed dormitory to enable us to take in more children.

[Project Proposal...](#)

Liberia - New school construction brought the capacity of the educational centre in Ganta to almost 1000 students! [The whole story...](#)

Mozambique - Three teams helped with the distribution of over \$85,000 in disaster relief after the

DID YOU KNOW...

Be A HERO sends 100% of funds donated for projects to the Homes.

45,000—number of Congolese dying each month because of war, disease or malnutrition. In the past decade, 5.4 million have died—a figure equivalent to the population of Denmark. Average per person spending on health care in the year is \$15. In the US it's \$6000. [Click here to see how you could help war orphans.](#)



Could you turn her away?



Agape Children's Home in

Accra, Ghana

Thomas Jefferson said:
"Do you want to know who you are? Don't ask. Act! Action will delineate and define you."



devastating floods in the spring of 2007. [Details...](#)

DR Congo – A water system was installed to provide water to the site. A boys dorm is nearing completion, and another dorm has been started along with a school. The immediate need is completion of a huge rock security wall, to keep the children safe and prevent theft by the rebels in the area. [Further info...](#)

Ghana – Completion of a new children’s home in Accra. Now we’re working to build a school on site. See Heroes for Today story below. [Join with us...](#)

Malawi – We’re starting a water filtration project that will save the lives of thousands. [Details...](#)

INDIA

Telpura - Exterior construction has been completed on a large building in Telpura that will serve as a Community Centre, a Medical Clinic, and a School for the impoverished community. [Read more...](#)

Chennai – Funds have been raised, and plans are underway for a School for Girls in Chennai.

CAMBODIA

Poipet – Land has been purchased and building has started on a children’s home. [How you can help...](#)

PHILIPPINES

Pasig City – fund raising is underway to enable us to purchase the land our children’ home is built on. [Urgent need for investors...](#)

BRAZIL

A school for street children was established and is proving to be wildly successful. This is a pilot project we would like to expand to other areas of Brazil. [Read the full story...](#)



Hundreds of participants joined Be A HERO for a Hero Holiday in 2007, visiting Kenya, Ghana, Mozambique, Brazil, DR Congo and Mexico to assist with mercy projects.



*Join us on an upcoming
HERO HOLIDAY*

Israel: May 8 - 16

Mozambique: July 21 - 28

Uganda: July 29 - Aug 3

Brazil: Nov 4 - 17

TBA Mozambique/ Kenya:
Nov 29 - Dec 6

**Full details will be available as soon as possible,
[CLICK HERE](#)**

2007 Stats

**TOTAL raised in 2007 for
Sponsorship and Projects:
\$1,712,200**

CHILD SPONSORSHIP
(1800 children in care)
\$520,200

Projects
(children’s homes, schools, medical clinics,
disaster relief, refugee housing):
\$1,192,000

HERO HOLIDAYS
(volunteers go to work with orphans)
*Mozambique, Kenya, Ghana, Brazil,
DR Congo, and Mexico.*

**Total raised for
Be A HERO sponsorship
and projects since 2004:
\$4,160,000**

**Total raised for other people’s
projects and programs:
Over \$1,000,000**



HEROES FOR TODAY...

DEB WALLACE - Napa Valley Language Academy



Deb and her students have held numerous fund-raising events, most recently a Christmas Concert to raise funds for the war orphans of DR Congo. To read the whole story, [CLICK HERE](#)

ANDY & SHEILAH FLETCH



Organized auctions to benefit the orphans who live at the Agape Children's Home in Ghana. In August, they visited "their" children in Accra. Andy, a vet, helped them set up a rabbit project. To read the whole story, [CLICK HERE](#)

Be A HERO's policy is that we send 100% of donations to the project's homes, and raise our administration through partnerships. Because we don't keep a portion for admin, we rely on Partners who commit to a monthly donation to help us with accounting, offices, staff etc. A few dedicated people, working in offices in several nations, are saving the lives of thousands of orphans. Will you help us to care for more children by becoming a Hero Partner? Any amount will help, [CLICK HERE](#).



Aerial view of our Children's Home, "Heroes of the Nation" at Nyahururu, Kenya. The children lined up to spell out HEROES! Photo shows two blocks of classrooms (bottom right), two completed dorms and a third close to completion, new dining hall and kitchen under construction in the centre, medical clinic (upper right), cottage home for the little ones (upper centre left) and the foundation for a new babies house. The High School, another dormitory, and the land under cultivation are not in the photo. Note: the tiny tin-roofed building at the centre bottom has been the kitchen, cooking meals for over 450 people twice a day. More than 400 children (almost all orphans) call this little village Home.

This is what your gifts to Be A HERO result in!

HERO:

- : a man admired for his achievements and noble qualities
- : a person noted for feats of courage or nobility of purpose, especially one who has risked or sacrificed his or her life.
- : someone who fights for a cause

Please consider investing in these projects:

Remember that 100% of the funds donated towards these projects will be sent to the Homes.

Pasig City, **PHILIPPINES:** We have a small window of opportunity to purchase the land our children's home is on. We have been leasing the land and facility, but the owner now wants to sell it. This is home for 40 children and a school for 100 children. It is also a base for various programs: 1) a supplemental feeding program benefiting 300 families per month, 2) outreach to street children giving medical and dental care, 3) micro-enterprise facilitation, 4) workshops and seminars for the community. In order to purchase this land, essential for all of the above projects, we need \$80,000 by the end of March. For further information on this project, [CLICK HERE](#).

Gulu, **UGANDA:** Our Village of Hope for child-mothers (who have escaped or been rescued from slavery out of the LRA) has become a real success story. We have built homes (huts) for about 30 women and their little ones and a vocational training centre providing 450 young moms with marketable skills and literacy programs. Next on the agenda is a school for the children. An additional \$40,000 is needed to build a school at Village of Hope. For full details click here, [CLICK HERE](#).

Namugongo, **UGANDA:** Our children's village, just outside of Kampala, is thriving, providing a home, elementary and high schools, and medical clinic to care for more than 300 orphans who live there and the surrounding community. But many more orphans need the care and safety found inside this fence. We would like to build a dormitory for another 80 children. In order to do so, we need \$46,000 more for this project. To donate towards this dormitory, [CLICK HERE](#).

To view a slide show of everything Be A HERO has accomplished, [CLICK HERE](#)

For books and other resources on mercy and social justice, [CLICK HERE](#) or visit www.heroresources.com



Blessings

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