

UPENDO CHILDREN'S HOME

(Extending Hope to Vulnurable Children)

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PART A: UPENDO CHILDREN'S HOME DETAIL

Name of the Home	UPENDO CHILDREN'S HOME		
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Legal status	It is registered under the ministry of Labor and Social Protection. Reg. no. RGO/CBO/196/2023		
Number of staff members	15		
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PART B: HOME DESCRIPTION

History of Upendo Children's Home

Upendo Children's Home is a community support initiative dedicated to empowering vulnerable children and their families. It was established in Migori, Kenya, in 2022 by the Church of God of Prophecy-Canaan and was officially registered with the Government of Kenya as Upendo Community Based Organization (C.B.O) in 2023. The Home exemplifies the Church's commitment to aiding orphaned and disadvantaged children, showcasing its dedication and charisma.

The primary mission of Upendo Children's Home is to empower orphaned and disadvantaged children by providing them access to education, health services, and opportunities for participation in family and community development activities. The overarching vision is to foster a supportive environment where these children can thrive and become productive members of society.

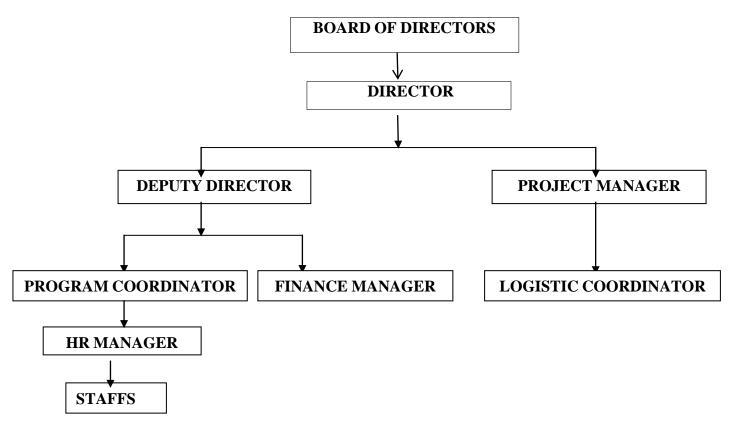
Currently, Upendo Children's Home supports 102 children from Kangeso and the surrounding village areas. These children are placed in 89 households, with some households accommodating more than one child. These households are managed by willing guardians, predominantly members of the Church of God of Prophecy-Canaan, who voluntarily take on the responsibility of caring for these children. This model of child placement in community households ensures that children grow up in a familial environment, receiving love and care from dedicated guardians.

The supervision and overall management of the children's welfare are handled by the Church through its volunteer staff members. This system ensures that the children receive consistent care and guidance within a supportive community framework. Regular check-ins and monitoring by volunteer staff help maintain high standards of care and address any issues promptly. The success of Upendo Children's Home is largely attributed to its collaborative efforts with various organizations and governmental bodies. Key collaborators include Go Volunteer Africa,

	which provides essential volunteer support and resources; the Rongo Children's Department, which offers regulatory oversight and additional support; local administrative bodies, which facilitate smooth operations and provide logistical support; and the Church of God of Prophecy, which continues to play a vital role in its operations.
	Upendo Children's Home offers a range of programs aimed at holistic development. The Home ensures that all children have access to quality education, regular health check ups, and medical support. The children are encouraged to participate in community development activities, fostering a sense of responsibility and belonging. Efforts are also made to integrate the children into stable family environments, promoting emotional and psychological well-being.
	Since its inception, Upendo Children's Home has made significant strides in improving the lives of orphaned and disadvantaged children in Migori. The Home's approach of placing children with willing guardians has created a stable and nurturing environment, essential for their growth and development. Moving forward, Upendo Children's Home aims to expand its reach and impact by increasing the number of children served, enhancing educational and health programs, strengthening partnerships with local and international organizations, and continuing to build the capacity of volunteer staff and guardians.
	Through its comprehensive and collaborative approach, Upendo Children's Home not only addresses the immediate needs of the children but also lays a strong foundation for their future success. With continued support and dedication, the Home will continue to be a beacon of hope for orphaned and disadvantaged children in Migori, Kenya.
Vision	To provide the orphaned and disadvantaged children with a home, love, happiness and a bright future.
Mission	To be an institution that shows the community and the world at large that every child needs a secure future
Overall goal	To empower the orphaned and disadvantaged children to improve their lives through access to education, health services, participation in family and community development activities.
Objectives	 a. To restore dignity and recognition to orphaned and disadvantaged children b. To provide education to orphaned and disadvantaged children c. To develop opportunities, situations and environment which will make these children associate themselves with others
Statement of values	The core values of Upendo Children's home include but not limited to:
	Commitment
	All Upendo Children's Home staff are expected to show the spirit of commitment, effectiveness and diversity
	Transparency
	Leaders and staff members shall observe transparency in matters that involve the use of Upendo Children's home's resources by providing all stakeholders with fiscal and financial implementation reports
	Respect
	The potential and dignity of human being shall have worth and respect
Key activities	 i. Provision of education to the orphaned and disadvantaged children ii. Provision of food to the orphaned and disadvantaged children iii. Provision of school fees to the orphaned and disadvantaged children
	iv. Fundraising for project implementation

	v. Provision of vocational training to children who do not make it to secondary schools and universities		
Geographical position	The home operates within Migori county, Rongo sub-county, west kamagambo location, kangeso sub-location		
Beneficiaries	Orphaned and disadvantaged children		
Stakeholders/partners	Guardians and the community		
Approaches	Upendo children's Home uses participatory approach as its basic methodology in which case the community is encouraged to take lead in its own problem solving and decision making. Upendo children's Home sees this approach as a cornerstone to sustainable community development. This approach is also a way of maintaining a sense of ownership among the community members and to secure its contribution in the development activities		
Strategies of Upendo Children's Home.	Strategies for the vision ,mission and goals include; a- Individual motivation aimed at mobilizing others to be creative. b- Internal capacity building of the Home staff through training c- Encouraging and ensuring networking and collaboration among all project stakeholders. d- Initiating need based sustainable community identified developmental project/program. e- Integrating gender issues in all development interventions.		
Strength	 Qualified and competent staff Good relations with the local government and other stakeholders Transparency in matters of fiscal and financial implementation 		

ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE



SOME EVENTS AND PARTICIPATION OF THE CHILDREN IN PICTORIAL FORM



