



United help for CHILDREN



The **THOMAS ENGEL-Foundation** was named after our son who died after a nine-year long battle with cancer at the age of 36 on May 25, 2008.

The purpose of the foundation is to help needy children in very poor countries and hopefully transform them into confident, able-bodied responsible adults.

The **THOMAS ENGEL-Foundation** does not hand out charity, but instead provides sustainable

HELP FOR SELF-HELP

*It is better to show someone how to fish
than to give him a fish.*

Thomas continues to live in the children who might have died otherwise without this help. This thought gives us comfort and solace.

The Founders

Ingrid[†] and Ernst Engel

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ASSISTANCE PROJECTS

The volunteers of the **THOMAS ENGEL-Foundation** have reliable contacts in eSwatini, Tanzania, Uganda and Ecuador. Multiple times a year they travel at their own expense to those countries to ensure the correct use of the donations and the further development of the assistance projects.

ESWATINI (formerly Swaziland)

eSwatini, bordered by South Africa and Mozambique, has 17,500 square kilometres and is **the second smallest country**. Approximately **1,2 million people** live in the small kingdom of eSwatini. According to the data from UNAIDS, in 2015 about **20%** of the population or approximately **240,000** were affected with HIV (or they have a double epidemic; HIV/multi resistant tuberculosis). More than two thirds of the population live on less than one dollar a day. The **average life expectancy of a new born is 48 years**, which is the lowest in the world based on a statistic from 2015. (**Germany = 81 years**).



Up to an age of 15 years about **80,000 orphans and half-orphans** live in eSwatini. The **THOMAS ENGEL-Foundation** together with the **Moewenweg-Foundation** and in concert with the local partner organization **Young Heroes** started the programme **"LITSEMBA - hope"**. Through this programme we care for about **3000** children.

The orphans and other needy children are taken care of in **89 NCPs** (= *Neighbourhood Care Points*). These NCPs are simple, but solidly-built day-care houses. About **500 volunteers** (= *caregivers*) take care of the children in the morning. In the afternoon older siblings, grand-parents or other community members take care of these children in very primitive houses.





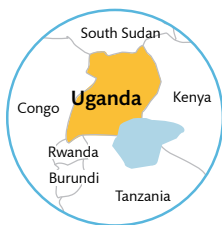
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UGANDA

About **37 million people** live in this very poor African country.

The two sisters **Charlotte** and **Sophia Campbell** started a project called **howareyou** and together with the local foundation **Beacon of Hope Uganda**, a Non-Government Organization (NGO), provide medical care and education for needy children. In 2013 they opened the **Hope Center** which is used as an elementary school and meeting point for workshops. In 2017 they finished the **Hope Farm**. By growing vegetables and raising chickens and other animals they hope to generate funds to support the Hope Center financially in the future.

Furthermore, "howareyou" tries to help individuals in distress. One example is the building of a little house for Jaqueline - a girl who lost her eyesight after a stroke, but still has to take care of her younger siblings because both parents died.



At those NCPs the children are also taken care of by a **mobile clinic** and they are vaccinated and tested for HIV. Moreover, they are treated for worms and given vitamin supplements and are given basic medical treatment, if needed. Nowadays the **LITSEMBA-Mobile Clinic** also provides basic medical care for adults.



If possible, the children in the NCPs also receive one **warm meal** which consists of corn flour, beans, rice, sugar and oil. The food is mostly donated by WFP (= *United Nations World Food Program*). However, when there is a shortage in supplies, the supporting organizations of the LITSEMBA-project provide the help.

The **collection of rain water** in the NCPs and its control is another LITSEMBA-project and it provides for the necessary water supply for the children.

Pre-school education at the NCPs is also an important element of early childhood development, also known as ECCD (= *Early Childhood Care and Development*).

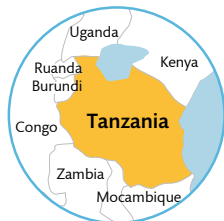
Income generating activities such as sewing, arts and crafts are further helpful measures which are done by the caregivers at the NCPs in the afternoon. Even in eSwatini it can get very cold at night. As part of the LITSEMBA-project we **bought warm winter clothing and blankets on the spot**. The **construction of additional NCPs** and their maintenance as well as construction of **solidly-built 2-room houses for extremely poor families** is another assistance project of LITSEMBA.

Responsible for the project is **Claudia Kolarski** – claudia.kolarski@thomasengel-stiftung.org

TANZANIA

This country of **38 million inhabitants** is one of the poorest countries in the world. It is situated in the east of Africa on the Indian Ocean.

The **Flowers Children's Centre** is located in the north east of the country and was founded in 2016. This little nursery school teaches and takes care of about 90 children aged between 2-6 years. These children come from very poor families and mostly live with only one parent. In the Flowers Children's Centre they receive basic medical care, a warm meal and a regular pre-school education. Handicapped children are integrated and given special care. The Centre is also used as a counselling centre for parents and other family members: Responsible for the project is:



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For more information please view:

www.howareyou.pageflow.io/hey#138119 or under Facebook.

ECUADOR

Ecuador is one of the poorest countries in South America and has **14 million** inhabitants. It is located in the north west on the equator line between Colombia and Peru.



Die **THOMAS ENGEL-Foundation** supports two projects in the coastal region of Santa Elena:

- **Melvin Jones School for the handicapped.** Approximately 180 physically and mentally handicapped children and young adults receive therapy and vocational training. It is the only facility of that kind in the entire province. Using simple methods it works very successfully. The government helps sparsely. The school is mostly funded by donations and school fees.



The **THOMAS ENGEL-Foundation** also sponsors several children and young adults. Without our support they would not be able to receive therapy or vocational training.

- **Helping Kids in Ecuador (=HKIE).** In the province of Santa Elena but also in other parts of Ecuador there is an above average amount of children with birth defects and other disabilities. The main cause of this is lack of medical attention during pregnancy and incest. **HKIE** established a network of local doctors and hospitals where the children get surgeries at very low costs or free of charge to their families. The doctors donate their time and the hospitals only charge a minimal fee.

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You also can become a member of the booster clubs **"Friends of the THOMAS ENGEL-Foundation"** Fulda e. V. and Nastätten e. V. to support the carefully-monitored assistance projects.



1. *Medial Consultation (HIV – testing and medical care)*
2. *Siblings*
3. *Construction of new NCP*
4. *A warm meal*

Donations

The **THOMAS ENGEL-Foundation** was initiated with a large financial endowment that is invested in accordance with the articles of the foundation's constitution. The foundation is performing its task from the proceeds of this asset and with the help of donations. Unfortunately, the return on investment of the existing capital is almost non-existent.

The mostly volunteers of the foundation are trying to generate more money through different activities, but we need donations. Those are tax deductible, since our foundation is a non-profit legal entity.

If you donate Euro 100,00 or more you will automatically receive a tax receipt. If you donate less than Euro 100,00, all you need is a copy of your check as a receipt for your tax deduction.

Bank Account for Donations

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Donation, Name and Address of Donor

Every
donation
helps



You, dear donors, can be assured that your money will go 100% towards helping the children in the different assistance projects and the money is used efficiently and un-bureaucratically.

Every donation counts, is precious and makes a difference.

Contacts and Booster Clubs



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Booster Clubs

Currently, the two Booster Clubs with their approximately 130 members provide personnel and financial assistance to the foundation. They recruit new members for the booster clubs, organize events and help to serve the purpose of the foundation. The Booster Clubs significantly promote the level of awareness of the foundation.

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