

The logo for ChildVoice, featuring the word "ChildVoice" in a sans-serif font with a stylized double-bracket symbol to the right. The background of the entire cover is a long-exposure photograph of a night sky with star trails in white and yellow, curving across the frame. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of palm trees and buildings against a bright orange and yellow sunset or sunrise sky.

ChildVoice

ANNUAL REPORT

2015

TRANSFORMATION

FROM STUDENT TO MENTOR

FROM THE FOUNDER

Conrad posing with
Tracy, one of our
new graduates



Dear Friends of ChildVoice,

It's hard to believe that eight years have gone by since we welcomed the very first students at the Lukome Center. While so much has changed over the years, we remain resolutely committed to war-affected children and youth. Since our founding in 2006, we've built a new campus, we've refined our therapeutic model, and we've built a network of loyal friends and supporters. But that was the easy part.

Although we provide opportunities for young women affected by war, it is these young women themselves who envisioned and embraced a future filled with hope. They transformed their lives through determination, perseverance, and faith. Our dedicated Uganda-based staff join them on this tenuous journey and together they are building a brighter future for their families, their communities, and their country.

The theme of this year's annual report, *From Student to Mentor*, was inspired by Tracy, a Lukome Center Graduate from the class of 2014. This year we share with you Tracy's story (see page 3) to highlight the struggles of children affected by war and the path to transformation.

In fiscal year 2015, we not only celebrated Tracy's success, but also the success of the entire graduating class. After living, working, and studying at the Lukome Center for 18 long months, these young women acquired the skills, the education, and the confidence to return to their communities poised for success.

The Lukome Center campus continued to expand in 2015 to meet the needs of our students, staff, and visitors. This fiscal year we added new housing for students and we continued to enhance our farming operations. We've been able to increase our crop production through investments in new equipment and new methodologies as we move closer to our goal of self-sufficiency.

Our progress in South Sudan continued as we selected a site for our future campus in Yei, South Sudan. We will continue to work with the government of South Sudan and the Mayor of Yei to determine how to best provide reintegration services for the returning child soldiers.

In the U.S. we continued to focus on financial sustainability and launched a sponsorship-based program to expand our church partners. This program, called the Naomi Project, is designed to engage congregations and their leadership through sponsorship of students.

As we look ahead to 2016 we are inspired by our students, our staff, and our loyal friends. Thank you for your support of war-affected children and youth.

Regards,

*Conrad Mandsager
Founder and President*



South Sudanese Refugee Camp

FROM STUDENT TO MENTOR TRACY'S STORY



In December 2014, the Lukome Center's graduating class included 18 students. For over a year and a half these young women worked hard to recover from the trauma of war through counseling, and to rebuild their futures through life skills training, education, and vocational training.

For young women growing up under the shadow of war, the effects are devastating. From abject poverty to displacement, their communities are left broken. In this environment sexual and gender-based violence rises along with drug and alcohol addictions.

This year's graduating class included former child soldiers, orphans, victims of sexual and physical abuse, and child mothers. This class faced tremendous odds and Tracy was no exception.

Orphaned as a baby and later abused by an adoptive parent, Tracy left home at a young age looking for love and acceptance. Unfortunately, girls like Tracy are often exploited and abused. Without the skills or education to support herself, Tracy soon found herself in a series of abusive relationships. By the time she was 20, she had two children and was struggling for survival. That is until the day Tracy heard an announcement from ChildVoice on the radio. When she heard that the Lukome Center was accepting students, she knew that this was the opportunity she so desperately needed to turn her life around.

And so Tracy and her children arrived at the Lukome Center with the dream of a better future. For the first time in her life, Tracy had found a sanctuary. Sheltered from the violence of her youth, Tracy was able to work with a counselor to recover from her trauma. With a safe place to live, food, and medical care at her disposal, Tracy was able to attend classes at the Center and begin vocational training. And she began to thrive. A natural leader, Tracy was elected to serve as a student representative. By the time she graduated in December 2015, Tracy had transformed to a hopeful, confident, and educated young woman.

While most students return to their home villages, Tracy followed a different path. Impressed by her accomplishments and natural leadership skills, the Lukome Center staff offered her a position. Tracy now works as a House Mother helping the students adapt to their new lives and mentoring them as they begin the long hard process of transformation.



And Tracy's story is just one of hundreds. Thanks to the support of our donors and our dedicated staff, lives are transformed every day at the Lukome Center.

Thank you so much for your support in restoring the voices of children effected by war.

Conrad



2015 Graduating class



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GIVING REPORT

-Thank you for your generosity!

2013-2014

Gifts Received
\$651,404

Expenses
\$754,534

2014-2015

Gifts Received
\$666,855

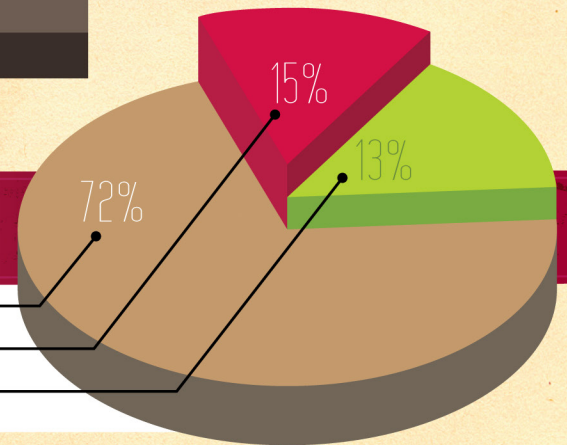
Expenses
\$696,098

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Every gift you give to ChildVoice is 100% Tax Deductible?

2015/2016 CHILDVOICE PROJECTED BUDGET:
Giving Opportunities: \$678,354

Program: \$491,059
Management & General: \$ 97,964
Fundraising: \$ 89,322



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Become an Amplified Partner through ChildVoice's monthly giving program. Even a \$1-a-day or more strengthens ChildVoice programs that benefit child mother families. Just visit www.childvoiceintl.org to learn more.



Promote ChildVoice within your community through local clubs, churches and schools. Contact ChildVoice to learn more.



Visit Uganda as part of a ChildVoice team. Come, see and help the work that's being done!



Spread the word by liking us on Facebook, following us on Twitter, and reading our regular email reports. You can sign up for our eNewsletter at www.childvoiceintl.org.



Join ChildVoice's sponsorship program and sponsor a student & her family at the Lukome Center. For more information contact naomiproject@childvoiceintl.org

Thank you for making the work in this annual report possible. Thank you for helping people in war-torn regions of the world to experience a fresh start in life. We invite you to continue to get more involved. We're excited about the year ahead together!

Restoring the Voices of Children Silenced by War.