

PARTNERS

Associazione Cuore d’Africa (Heart of Africa Association) cooperates with Kenyan Community of Hope Association, founded back in 1992 with the intent of assisting poor people and orphans in Machakos District.



Community of Hope had been registered as a company, so the committee decided to register an NGO; this came to be realized in 2009 by registering an NGO by the name of Heart of Children Foundation.

Community of Hope and Heart of Children Foundation have been very useful to local people, for they have helped many children with their studies thanks to international sponsorship.

You can find more information about these charities on their website: www.haertofchildren.org.

In this contest there is a deep connection with Associazione Cuore d’Africa. Biographies of children who are going to be sponsored through Cuore d’Africa are initially selected by Heart of Children Foundation. Such a primary selection is very important, for our Italian personnel has no direct connections with Kenyan territory and has not enough information to decide which child should have priority in being sponsored because of his particular economic family condition.

Now we want to introduce you all the people who work hard every day to create such a bridge between Italy and Kenya, and especially between Associazione Cuore d’Africa and Heart of Children Foundation. Let’s have a close look at who they really are.



The father founder of Community of Hope is Fr. Charles Kyallo Mutua, who back in 1992 was given the task of providing school education for 10.000 poor children in the Machakos District. He immediately started working very hard, collecting clothes other supplies for those children and their families. He succeeded in creating a real aid network both locally and internationally, by starting a sponsorship program, raising funds and collecting various supplies among generous and willing people who have always cooperated with him throughout so many years.

Today Fr. Charles is a member of the board in many charities: Community of Hope, Heart of Children Foundation, Martyrs of Uganda Home (the orphanage founded by himself), Calosci nel 2000 Vocational Training School (the cut and sewing polytechnic where 10 girls are sponsored by

Cuore d’Africa every year), Village of Hope Children’s Home (the hostel Cuore d’Africa is building entirely with its own fundraising).



Monicah Kaluki Mulindu is the overall coordinator and the chief contact person of Heart of Children Foundation. She has executive powers in all the activities of the organization in Kenya. She is also one of the Directors of Community of Hope. She monitors and evaluates organization’s quarterly and yearly reports. She prepares reports to the Non Governmental Organization National Board Office and to our partners locally and internationally. She maintains constant correspondence with all our partners, locally and internationally. She keeps and supervises all the financial transactions in the office. She deals with the children challenges in Schools in liason with teachers and their guardians and parents. She distributes and supervises all the daily activities in the office of Heart of Children Foundation and Village of Hope Children’s Home. Monicah coordinates the members of staff and chairs the Board meetings. All staff members employed under Heart of Children Foundation are answerable to Monicah.



Milcah Ndandu Juma is one of the three Directors of Heart of Children Foundation. She is the most long serving member in the office, where she is also a social worker and a secretary. She visits over 231 children (supported by cuore D’Africa and Sorriso D’Africa, another italian charity) in different schools at different levels, knowing their needs, paying for their needs and keeping the cash book and receipts, keeping and updating the records of children in the office. Milcah visits the Hospitals attended by our children, she clears the bills, she attends meetings and recods minutes and undertakings. She also cares for receptionist duties by handling mails for Executive of Community of Hope and Heart of Children Foundation, responding some of the letters, keeping records of Investment Income Tax matters. She fills business corresponding with benefactors of the children helped through Community of Hope and Heart of Children Foundation locally and internationally. Milcah knows all of our children personally, in order to be able to assist them better, she reads and translates letters from the benefactors, she counsels children and encourage their guardians and

grandparents, she welcomes Italian friends and volunteers who come to visit their sponsored children and makes them feel at home in the villages and in the houses where their children stay.



Lucia Mbumbua Mung'oti is mainly working as a social worker. She visits different children in different villages and schools. She does the shopping for the children and pays for them the required fees. She takes children to the hospitals when they need specific cure. She helps in the office work by filling account books, filling office documents, and she also acts as office messenger. Thanks to this small staff it is possible to translate Cuore d'Africa's projects into real achievements, being sure we are confiding in highly specialized personnel.