

Many aid organisations and sponsorship project campaigns worldwide ensure needy children amongst others of sufficient food, clean drinking water, medical care as well as education. With comparatively small contributions it is possible to offer these children despite their poor circumstances ways into a better future.

## Informationen on the Kernen Masvingo Gesellschaft (KMG)

Through the strictly voluntary organised activities of the ‚Kernen Masvingo Gesellschaft‘ (KMG), it is possible to support and assume a sponsorship for a child. A donation of € 360 per year provides a child with accommodation, care, clothes as well as paying school funds in the Bondolfi boarding school near Masvingo (in Zimbabwe children have to pay school funds!). Furthermore the KMG finances 10 other children in Gokomere, Zimbabwe’s most renowned academia and secondary school as well as other schools in the vicinity for the children who do not succeed in being accepted into Gokomere.

A description of the distress of the child with photo, name, birthday and grade of school are presented to the sponsors. Via the address of the school the sponsors can communicate directly with the child they are sponsoring. The KMG responsible volunteers personally know the children because they at least once a year visit them while on journey to Bondolfi (on their own costs!), they go on an outing or they travel to the city to buy them new clothes.

In Zimbabwe the KMG concentrates, in the areas education and children, on the Bondolfi boarding school as well as the Masvingo orphanage ‚Alpha Cottage‘ with the aim to help as many orphans and needy children as possible to a better future. Blind, needy and orphaned children are, through the sponsorships, being given the opportunity to be taken in at the boarding school. 90 sponsors have sponsored the yearly costs of children through the KMG since 1999. Approximately 100 children attend the Bondolfi boarding school and there are also nearly 100 children living in the orphanage.

Drink water wells and hygienic Blair toilets, which do not need water, have been erected. Every child in the orphanage has received a mattress on which it sleeps. Books and school material are also available. A canopied wooden fired kitchen has been erected for the boarding school, since previously due to the many power failures the meals for the approx. 100 children had to be cooked in the ground in the open. A garden has been planted, which in the mean time now yield excesses that can be sold or exchanged for groceries and also offers the possibility in teaching the children on the cultivation of a garden. The KMG lives by the motto ‚help them to be able to help themselves‘. A maize-milling machine has also been bought to be able to grind the very scarce maize meal. The earnings from the maize mill are the backbone of the orphanage at this stage and therefore the best investment that has been made. Clients can then collect their maize meal the following day.



KMG sends computers to the Bondolfi Boarding School.



Embassador distributes footballs in Orphanage Masvingo.

Also the German nun of the neighbouring Bondolfi Mission Helene has embraced the children and helps them with shopping the necessary. She often also assumes the part, which the parents usually have. Through the support of the nuns the sponsorship money can be deployed even more purposefully. Most of all the children also have a psychological parent. Very often these children have in their short lifespan received very little love. They are another mouth to feed, where is very little at all. Helene tells of children that come to her and ask for a sweet but actually only want a hug.



***Each donation helps to support these projects!***

Zimbabwe has one of the highest HIV-Infection rates in the world. One quarter of the adults are HIVpositive. 980.000 children have already either lost their mother or farther to Aids. The deadly disease as well as droughts and floods have put many families in dire straights. Because of the Aids epidemic the KMG is also devoted to combating this disease. They have reached an agreement with a German pharmaceutical company to deliver a medicine to Zimbabwe for the next five years free of charge, which prevents the Aids virus from being passed from the mother to her child.

All together € 130.000 have been made available in the last years by the KMG for joint projects in Masvingo. The costs of journeys have to be fully financed by the participants themselves and are not funded by the KMG.

The German revenue office has recognised the benefit to the public. Donation receipts are issued.

You could also help a child to a better education, regular meals and clothes und therewith a happier life now and in future! Every single donation helps to support the ventures of the KMG. Donations can be paid into the bank account of the KMG (Account number 51431009 with the Kerner Volksbank, branch code 60262693). The joyful beaming eyes of the children are a thank you for this.

More info under [www.kernen-masvingo.org](http://www.kernen-masvingo.org) as well as with

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***Helping one child has a big effect on the future lives of many people. Thank you for caring!***