



INFRASTRUCTURE

Provide structures that promote safety, dignity and stability for children

GIFT OVERVIEW



Help launch a new Compassion centre in Kyentale, Uganda

Your Gift of Compassion will help our church partner in Kyentale to launch a brand-new child development centre, providing hope, new opportunities and critical support to 200 children and their families.



NEW CENTRE:

Kyentale Child Development Centre



CENTRE CODE:

UG1020



CHURCH PARTNER:

Kyentale Faith Evangelistic Centre



EXPECTED TO SPONSOR:

200 children



FIRST DAY OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES:

17 January 2020



GIFT AMOUNT:

\$10,000

Compassion partners with local churches in some of the world's most vulnerable communities. Their church building forms the Compassion centre, the hub of our Child Sponsorship Program.

At their centre, children have opportunities to connect with a sponsor, hear the gospel, receive education and healthcare and be equipped to ultimately become self-supporting. It is a place where children can have fun, learn and flourish.

Each centre is overseen by a director and run by a local committee, encouraging local engagement and accountability. By employing local staff and volunteers, the centre also plays a role in boosting the local economy.

When you launch a new Compassion centre, you are helping to transform hundreds of children's lives. You also become part of expanding Compassion's ministry to children worldwide.



Your support provides:



A place of safety and refuge for children at their new Compassion centre where they can learn, play, explore and build friendships within a protected and caring environment.



Healthcare and nutritional support as required to protect children from disease and help them develop healthily so they can embrace their education at school and the centre.



Educational support and resources that help children to grow in confidence, build their knowledge and skills and prepare for life after the classroom.



One-to-one sponsorship opportunities for children, including the chance to write letters and build a unique relationship with a sponsor.

Why launch a centre in Kyentale?

In Kyentale, many children and their families live in poverty. Like all new Compassion centre locations, this community was chosen strategically and in collaboration with our local church partners.

- Kyentale Faith Evangelistic Centre is a well-established local church that is already serving the community faithfully. However, the church cannot keep up with the amount of need that exists in the community. Local parents find it difficult to provide their children with food, shelter, schooling and healthcare. Most families earn just 150,000 Ugandan shillings per month (approx. A\$60).
- The community's situation is so dire that some fathers choose to abandon their families. Other fathers have lost their lives to HIV/AIDS. Left behind are many heartbroken women who struggle to work long hours—usually in labouring jobs—while also caring for their babies.
- Severe poverty has driven many parents to seek comfort in dangerous activities such as substance abuse. Other common cultural challenges include child marriages and child sexual abuse. When young girls fall pregnant, it also limits their access to education and future opportunities.
- Quality medical care is scarce. As a result, children suffer from deadly diseases and the mortality rate remains tragically high. Lack of health information contributes to limited knowledge about family planning; the average woman has eight to 10 children.

Investing in long-term development

Compassion is committed to sustainable child development. For this reason, the launch of a new centre is always carried out as a long-term partnership with maximum community engagement.

Your support will equip local community leaders with the information and skills they need to open and run this new centre and respond confidently to any challenges along the way.

Once this centre is established, children will start to be registered in Compassion's Child Sponsorship Program and receive sponsors. For a child, the chance to be connected with a sponsor is precious—it's an opportunity for them to receive long-term support, love and encouragement.

The impact of a new centre goes far beyond its walls, touching all aspects of community life: investing in the next generation, building the local economy and becoming a place where children and families can meet and share life together for many years to come.

“In Uganda in 2012, two thirds of all new HIV infections were among adolescent girls. HIV is now the second leading cause of death among adolescents, 300 deaths every day.”

UNICEF, 2015

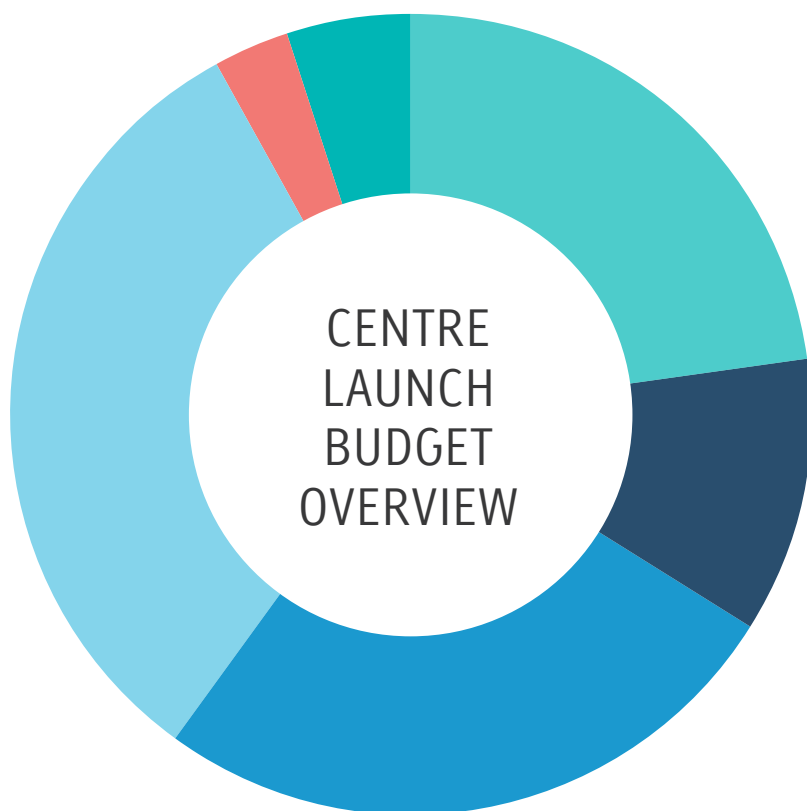
Thank you for partnering with Compassion Australia to release children from poverty in Jesus' name.



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CENTRE LAUNCH BUDGET

Your Gift of Compassion, combined with those from other generous individuals nationwide, will provide our local church partner with a grant to launch a new centre in Kyentale, Uganda. Below is an overview of how our church partner plans to distribute those funds. Where possible, goods and services are sourced locally, investing in the community's economy.



23% NEW CENTRE STAFFING

- Staff recruitment
- Staff training
- Staff salary



11% REGISTRATIONS AND ORIENTATIONS

- Initial caregiver meeting
- Registration day items
- Camera



26% BUILDING AND REPAIRS

- Minor roof and wall repairs
- Purchase and install doors and windows



32% EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

- Office computer and printer
- Office filing cabinets and shelves
- Office desk and chair
- Office supplies



3% KITCHEN MATERIALS

- Cups, bowls and eating utensils



5% HEALTH SUPPORT AND SUPPLIES

- Height and weight measurement tools



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CENTRE LAUNCH TIMELINE

This Infrastructure project will be implemented by our church partner using local services and resources. Here's what you can expect to take place during the course of this project.

