



2023

*Unity is strength  
Together we can make a difference*

We are grateful for you reading this letter. With your interest, your prayers, your financial contribution and your thoughts, you are doing your part to ensure that the Kipepeo Family Foundation exists and can continue to exist.

"If many small people in many small places do many small things, we can change the face of the world"



We see us as social workers responsible to support local people with respect and appreciation when helping to plan (their!) future. Our aim is to fulfil their needs with external resources. People make their own decisions based on skills and the strength they have. Their own ideas and views matter most and are essential for us to work with when we are supporting them.

Our attitude as social workers is based on the fact that we always want to do things with people, not for people. This is a way to minimise unequal power relations.

*Farida & Otineli, social work students*

## FAMILY SUPPORT

### Real Case of \*Jelina Materu

Year 2000

Jelina became pregnant by a classmate at secondary school. His family rejected her and she was no longer allowed to attend school. She gave birth to the child and suffered a stroke in the same year. The physical impairment and the fact that she was a single mother made it difficult for her to work. Relatives of hers helped her for a short period of time.

Jelina married her husband in 2002.

They had three children together. Their income came from selling clothes and sheets. It was their own little business. They looked after, and cared for each other.

In 2020, with the death of her husband, Jelina lost the capital of their business due to the hospital costs. Her children could no longer attend school because Jelina didn't have enough money for the uniforms, books and daily meals. Everything revolved around survival and covering the basic needs for her and the four children.

We met Jelina in 2023 living with three children in a room that she hasn't been able to pay for months. Her youngest son is physically disabled and is completely relying on her. Jelina herself has physical paralysis, which is the result of her stroke. Still has she been full of hope and confidence that she would find a way to raise her children, give them a chance for education and lead them out of their current difficult life situation.

August 2023: Kipepeo Family Foundation supported Jelina's idea of using bananas to generate her own money. She contacted her grandparents' village and now orders bananas from their farm every week and sells them at the market in Moshi. With the income of her banana business she can pay the children's school fees again and has enough left to pay the rent, next to the basic needs of her family.



### Supported 2023

Based on their individual background stories and wishes for the future, were 25 families accompanied and supported by the Kipepeo Family Foundation this year.

### GO 2 SCHOOL WITH KIPEPEO

Aim is to ensure that children from disadvantaged families have the opportunity to receive an education without being completely separated from their carers. Parents should still be able to take full responsibility for the upbringing of their children by providing a safe home, shelter, food, medical care and clothing.

The Kipepeo Family Foundation offers the following assistance:

- Support with primary school enrolment
- Obtaining a birth certificate if this is not available
- Educational counselling, support for young people
- Financing of school and training costs
- Support with the organisation and resolution of conflicts that may arise at school

You can become a sponsor.

Please contact us for more information:

[info@kipepeo-kiwavi.com](mailto:info@kipepeo-kiwavi.com)

## FARM FOR SUSTAINABILITY

360 kg maize and as well beans was the yield from our farmland. We will distribute this to families who can barely afford a daily meal at the moment.

We are currently building the infrastructure of Kipepeo's Farm. We were able to complete the construction of the pig barn and the chicken house this year. Goal is to have all the buildings complet and the farm fenced in by summer 2024.

We look forward to further update you soon.



## KIWAVI HOME ; KOMAKYA

We look back with gratitude on the most successful year of our hostel. We were able to donate 2'040 CHF for the Kipepeo Family Foundation.

Nixon Simba, Kipepeo's founder and local manager, runs the Kiwavi Home in a very caring and warm way.

Guests come and go home happy, satisfied and fulfilled. The kindness, the garden to relax , the time to meet up with other people and the delicious breakfast are much appreciated by our guests.

Not forgetting the tasty coffee, which is now also available to buy. At the Hostel daily, in Switzerland whenever delivery is possible.

Instagram:  
@komakyaoffeeetz



Safari's & Kilimanjaro treks and day tours are now organized under the name Komakya Adventures.

Please contact us at our e-mail address if you are interested. We would be very happy to customise your trip for you and accommodate you at Kiwavi Home.

## BOYS; STREETOUTREACH

As previous mentioned in the news of June 2023 have many of the last boys group been able to embark on a new path for the future.

Reunification with their families and the opportunity to get an education and start training has already been possible for 10 out of 15 boys.

Thanks to the teamwork of Kipepeo and the courage of the children themselves. Their path that is no longer defined by the street!.

We are happy to receive financial support for the new group now. Our fundraising on Thereforyou is still open until 31 January 2024. The money will be used exclusively for the work with the children living on the street.

We currently meet twice a month with the new boys as a group for a dinner together. dinner together. The focus is on building relationships, social work and mutual trust. Some of them would already like to be accompanied by us individually.



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