



CHANGE 1'S LIFE AT HORIZONTE AZUL ORPHANAGE 2014



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Namibia



About Namibia

Namibia is a country situated in southern Africa that shares land borders with Angola, Zambia, Botswana and South Africa. On 21 March 1990, Namibia got its independence from South Africa following the Namibian War of Independence. Due to South Africa long-term occupation of Namibia, the country has lean on some of South Africa's reality such as the apartheid.

Although Namibia got its independence from South Africa in 1990, yet, the country was an ex German colony from 1884 to the end of the First World War.

A population of only 2.1 million people makes Namibia one of the least densely populated countries in the world. The country holds a large agriculture, herding, tourism and mining industry including gem diamonds, uranium, gold, silver and base metals. Nevertheless,

Namibia still has one of the most unequal income distributions in the world.

More than one in for households live in poverty and the poorest 10 % of households command just 1 % of the country's total income. Namibia is on the top 10 countries with largest gap between the rich and the poor.

HIV/Aids in Namibia is one if not the most critical public health issue. The country has one of the highest prevalence of HIV in the world, and the virus has been the leading cause of death in country. Close to 17 per cent of children under the age of 17 in Namibia are orphaned by at least one parent, mostly due to HIV. Of greatest concern to many are the Aids orphans and vulnerable children left behind in the trails of this disease.



FAST FACTS

130,000

More than 130,000 people in Namibia are orphans.

6,700

6,700 people die of HIV/Aids every day in Namibia.

How Change 1's Life is helping

Same as Angola, our work in Namibia began the same year the charity was established (2014). Twenty per cent of the population does not have access to adequate food, suitable clothes and the acceptable education. We support local orphanage, rural schools, hospital and less privileged families, to ensure children have access to food, clean water, clothes, medical aid and basic English and Mathematic education. There are more than 130,000 orphans in Namibia, and the number of children growing up without parental care keeps rising.

Some of our partners in Namibia are: the Orlindi orphanage,



Megemeno orphanage, Hope Village orphanage, Power House of God orphanage and Oshakati State Hospital that assists new born babies whose parents have passed mostly due to HIV/Aids. We do constant activities in these various orphanages to certify that our clothes and food donations

are being distributed correctly. Our team in Namibia, together with our volunteers, carry out regular English and Mathematics lessons in orphanages where education is out of reach for the children.

Community work

In Namibia, young orphans are often forced to work to provide food for an entire family, enticing them to become criminals or sell their bodies. We not only aim to feed, house and educate those in need, but we comfort the downcast too. Change 1's life is a charity managed by young individuals, we also provide counselling for young individuals. To date we have distribute, over 700kgs of food and clothes to various orphanages, homes and hospitals in Windhoek, Oshakati, Rundu and Swakopmund.

As results of the high level of HIV victims, we provide crucial lifesaving education to protect the

Namibia population from serious diseases such HIV/Aids, Malaria, Typhoid fever and Hepatitis A.

Additionally, we support individual like Marie Synders who is a 70 year-old battling breast cancer. Marie lives in Katutura, which is the poorest area in Namibia. She raises 17 grandchildren on her own using her 600 Namibian dollar (£33) pension. For hers and her grandchildren's needs, £33 is far from being enough to provide an acceptable quality of life for Marie's family. We send monthly food, clean water and clothes donations to Marie, as well as school materials donations for her 17 grandchildren. People like Marie are the pillar of many families and communities in Namibia.



Their role within a community is crucial, as they keep families together, feed, shelter and educate the children and act as a voice for the whole community. We understand how important individuals like Marie are, and we are committed to assist these individuals to bring about a better quality of life for them, their families and their communities.