



CHANGE 1'S LIFE AT HORIZONTE AZUL ORPHANAGE 2014



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Angola



About Angola

Angola is a country that possesses great amount of natural resources, such as diamonds and oil. The production of 1.6 million barrels a day makes the country the second largest oil exporter in Africa following Nigeria. Due to its fast GDP growth over the last years, Angola is now among the fastest growing economies in the World. Much of Angola's oil and diamond revenue has been put into national wide infrastructure projects that can mainly be seen in the capital city (Luanda).

Angola faced 27 years of civil war (1975-2002) that left the country in an overwhelming condition to progress further. For that reason, the local government has directed much of its development project into the reconstruction and reconnection of damaged roads, railways and

airports to improve the agricultural and commercial sector in Angola.

Nevertheless more than half of Angolans population remain poor. The capital of Angola (Luanda) is the world's most expensive city, while 67 % of the population survive on less than \$2 a day.

Since the civil war, the government of Angola has made a huge progression in rebuilding the country, as this seems to be the main focus of the government as there is a lack of interest in other fields, such as poverty reduction. Angola has the potential to become food self-sufficient with a strong agriculture sector that creates significant number of jobs, considering that two thirds of the population earn its living from small scale agriculture, but unfortunately the government puts less than 1% of its budget into the agriculture sector.



FAST FACTS

60%

More than 60% of Angolans population live below the poverty line

38%

38 per cent of the population does not have access to safe water sources

How Change 1's Life is helping

Change 1's Life UK started from the desire to support Angolan people in 2014, we work with local orphanages and rural schools to ensure less privileged children have access to basic education such as reading, writing and mathematics. But also provide the local communities with clean water, food, medical aid and clothing. We aim to contribute to the reduction of poverty in Angola, by supporting vulnerable children who live in the street, providing them with food, water, shelter and clothes.

We opened an office in Luanda in 2014, along with our warehouse in Cazenga, Luanda, where we sort food and clothes for distribution across Angola. We work with 12 orphanages from 5 different



provinces Luanda, Benguela, Malanje, Lubango and Huambo, to ensure less privileged children in Angola have access to food, water, education and basic health care.

Clothes, food and scholar donations from various parts of the world, are stored at our

warehouse in Cazenga, warehouse in Luanda, which then is distributed to our partners and families living on less than \$2 a day.

To date, we have distributed 600kgs of food and clothes to over 1,500 children and families throughout Angola.



Medical Aid

Apart from lack of food, clean water and education, another challenge faced by Sub-Saharan African countries including Angola, is the battle against epidemics such as Malaria and HIV/Aids. We provide lifesaving education to

help families prevent serious diseases. This is done by explaining the risks, causes and prevention of these epidemics. Due to the lack of hospital in many parts of Angola, more than 70% of the population struggle to access basic healthcare contributing to the high mortality rate, life expectance is only 51 years.

We have set up a 24/7 open window department in our warehouse, where the local community can pick up free condoms, mosquito nets, basic medication, such as painkillers and vitamins.

Change 1's Life is committed to help the people of Angola overcome poverty. We not only interfere in the reduction of poverty, but we support victims of natural disasters and catastrophe.

In March 2015 heavy rain hit two parts of the most populated districts of Angola (Lubito & Luanda) killing more than 100 people, most of them children. Thousands of people were made homeless. We made a clothes and food appeal for the victims of this catastrophe and provided shelter for those who lost their homes.