

The Millennium Group (TMGF) Foundation¹ Press Release

TMGF commits to fund HUPA AIDS Orphans for 3 years

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TMG Foundation announces its commitment to support HUPA AIDS orphans for 3 years in Bamenda, North West Province, Cameroon

- 25 orphans and/or poor children who would otherwise not complete their primary education would now be able to do so
- Several AIDS-infected widows get some support too.

TMG Foundation has today announced it has committed to support HUPA in Bamenda for a period of 3 years commencing 2008. HUPA - or Hope for the Under-Privileged Association - is an authorised NGO based in the North West Province of Cameroon, Africa, operating under Registration Number 016/E.29/1111/VOL8/APPB. It has its Head Office located in Ntambeng Quarter, Mankon – Bamenda some 7km outskirt of the Provincial Head Quarter.

The mission of HUPA in their own words is "to improve on the living standards of the population of the North West Province especially the needy and the marginalized through relief supply". Their target beneficiaries include: Orphans and Vulnerable Children; Needy and Marginalized people; and People Living with HIV and AIDS.

TMGF has started funding 25 (*twenty five*) primary school AIDS orphan and vulnerable pupils – who would otherwise drop off school. We have committed to funding them to the end of their primary education. These children qualify either due to them having lost all their parents at such early ages (typically to AIDS) or because they are in dire poverty. TMG Foundation would provide fees, books, subsistence and other miscellaneous support to these children.

Mrs Theresia Ngu, HUPA's Coordinator, said: "We are so pleased with this commitment from TMG Foundation. This will support children in schools in or around Bamenda including CS Ntambeng, PS Mendankwe, GS Ngomghom, GS Ntingkag, GS Matrofor, GS Matsom, PS Alabukam, CS Alamatu, and so on. Thank you on behalf of the children and some AIDS-infected widows".

Prof Sama Nwana of TMG Foundation noted: "The TMGF trustees were very impressed with such a noble organisation like HUPA whose goals align perfectly with TMGF's mission. How could we not support such marginalised children? We look forward to seeing them finish their primary education which they would otherwise not complete – to compound their misfortune of being orphans and/or desperately poor is criminal"

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