

Two projects successfully completed

[Ayaga Dani Widows Group](#) in Kenya has set up vocational training for teenage mothers to stop the sexual and economic exploitation and abuse of girls. The [Hofstee Stichting](#) in the Netherlands made the funds available to purchase training equipment and tools from Tools To Work. The container arrived in September 2020, but the establishment and start of the training was delayed due to the covid-19 lockdown in Kenya. Meanwhile, the training has started, and the project (to set up the training) completed.



[ABEXINAH](#) in Uganda wants to break through the hopelessness of orphans in the region and of minor refugees from the Congo, by teaching them a craft. The association of EU employees ([EU-can-aid](#)) has provided funds with which, in recent months, new classrooms and a workshop have been built. The [Aelbrechtsfonds](#) had earlier made funds available to purchase machines and tools from Tools To Work. The covid-19 lockdowns in Uganda caused the necessary delays, but this project has now also successfully been completed



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Working together for the street children in Nairobi



Together with other partners, the Van Doorn Foundation supports the [Levozy Self Help Group](#) to expand the capacity of their training centre for street children. The life of the street children is primarily about survival, while they, like any other child, have the right to vocational education, a job opportunity and an income. The [Van Doorn Foundation](#) is presently funding the improvement of sanitation facilities of the centre and the procurement of computer training equipment; the [Transpetrol Foundation](#) is funding the construction of additional classrooms, and [EU-can-aid](#) is funding the construction of a new workshop for practical training. Together we are strong, working together for vocational education for street children.

Training equipment and tools are ready for shipment



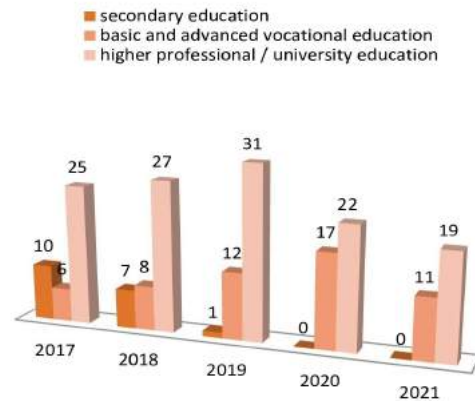
At Tools To Work, the training tools for the Lambwe vocational training centre in Kenya are ready for shipment. Due to the lack of training equipment and tools, there are not yet practical lessons at the Lambwe vocational training centre. The Van Doorn Foundation makes the training equipment and tools available through Tools To Work so that the students can actually learn the skills. They are now ready for shipment. In the event there is no new lockdown, practical lessons will be given from the new school year (September 2021).

Scholarships

In May 2021, the Van Doorn Foundation received 127 initial applications. Most applications came from Kenya (82) and Uganda (37) and some (8) from Tanzania. Many applications had to be rejected because they did not meet the criteria. 63 applicants were invited to submit a final application while only 19 complete final applications were received.

Of these 19 final applications, 14 were from girls and 5 from boys for basic and advanced vocational training and for higher professional and university education. In July 12 students are awarded a scholarship while 30 students receive scholarships for ongoing studies. This will bring the total number of scholarships for 2021 to 42

Awarded Scholarships



Graduated or still busy with their education!



John Mugambi Ngoro

John is following a 4-year teacher training at MOI University in Eldoret Kenya. He completed the third year of his study in June 2021.

He wrote: *“I have completed the [third year] second semester’s examination this week. Generally, attachment and teaching practice follow. I will be heading for my teaching practice in July this year. The semester has had ups and downs due to the global corona virus pandemic.*

We had to study both on and off campus. We had to stay at home for quite some time due to restrictions imposed by the government. As a result, it took us almost a year to complete the second semester. I am overjoyed and thankful that we have finally completed it.” Thank you for the financial support, as a result, I was able to focus more on my studies. I will proceed to fourth year of studies after the teaching practice.”

Faith Kachisa

In 2019, the Foundation received a scholarship application from Faith Kachisa from Mulawa, Kenya. She wanted to follow vocational training at the St. Angela Mumias Secondary Vocational School for Deaf Girls in Mumias Kenya. She follows a 3-year training for a diploma in dress design and tailoring. After her training she wants to become an instructor and teach those skills to other deaf children. The Foundation awarded her a scholarship for the training.

In January 2020 she started the second year of her education and in December 2020 she wrote:

“My study is very okay and I am happy about it. I am progressing steadily. I have been promoted third class with very good marks despite the challenges of Covid 19 which affected the schools by closing and opening.”

We wish Faith every success with the third year of her training.



Stanley Stephen Justinian



Stanley Stephen Justinian is from Karagwe, Tanzania, an orphan and living with his brother with his grandmother. He wanted to become an electrician but could not afford the training. He applied and was awarded a scholarship from the Van Doorn Foundation. In January 2020, he started the 2-year electrician training course at Sengerema Fold Development College in Mwanza Tanzania.

In January 2021, he wrote us that he had successfully completed the first year: *“My studies are going well with full participation in both theory and practical classes. There has been some changes in my personal circumstances. I feel more optimistic about my future with hopes that the skills and knowledge acquired will help me in my future.”*

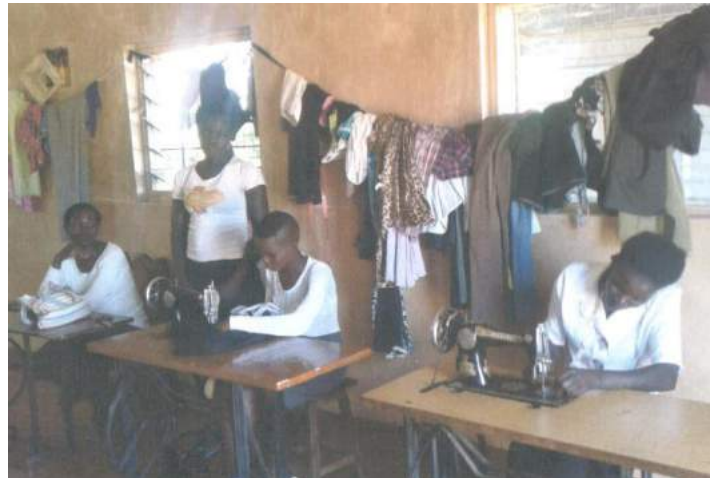
We wish Stanley much success with the second and last year of his study



Work in progress...!

Homa Hills Vocational Training Centre in Kendu Bay – Kenya

The Homa Hills craft school is an informal training centre founded with support from Norway. Young people in the region can learn market-oriented and immediately deployable skills. But because the training centre has not yet been officially accredited, a course does not give access to higher vocational education. A school business plan and curriculum have been developed with the support of the Van Doorn Foundation. The necessary learning materials have been identified to provide high-quality vocational education and to be recognized by the government. An amount of € 4,800 is needed to purchase the additional machines and tools. The Van Doorn Foundation is looking for sponsors to support this project!



CUWEDE vocational training for unemployed youth in Nebbi – Uganda

The Nebbi district in northern Uganda is one of the poorest districts, has seen multiple conflicts and wars and an influx of refugees from the Congo and South Sudan. The majority of young people have nothing to do or have become migrant workers living in poverty and earning little income with little hope of a decent life. CUWEDE is a CBO that is active in the diocese of Nebbi and has started three vocational training courses with training tools provided by Gered Gereedschap and now wants to start a fourth vocational training course (shoemaking). An amount of € 4,000 is needed for the purchase of machines and tools, for which the Van Doorn Foundation is looking for sponsors.

Prison Fellowship vocational training in Ndola – Zambia

Prison Fellowship Zambia advocates for a fair and effective criminal justice system in Zambia and improving the well-being of inmates, ex-prisoners and their families. Prison Fellowship organizes vocational training in Ndola prison to prepare inmates for their reintegration into society. Prison Fellowship now also wants to provide vocational training in two townships of Ndola (Mushili and Kawama) with the aim of empowering vulnerable unemployed young people and reducing the risk that they become involved in criminal activities. An amount of € 4,500 is needed for the purchase of educational materials (machines and tools), for which the Foundation is looking for sponsors.



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Twenty years Van Doorn Foundation looking back

Proud of the result and grateful to all volunteers and donors who have made it possible for more than 350 students to pursue vocational training and for more than 35 training centres to be equipped with learning materials so that annually more than 3,000 students can learn a craft in these centres.

In the first five years, the Foundation only made scholarships available to underprivileged students in West Africa, and in the following five years, in addition to individual scholarships to students, it also made collective scholarships available to schools in both West and East Africa. In the following period, collective scholarships were replaced by project funding, whereby local organizations with educational objectives received grants to make education more accessible to underprivileged young people in West and East Africa.

Over the past five years, that policy was continued and intensive fundraising made it possible to support a greater number of schools and more local organizations to provide quality vocational education to underprivileged youth, as well as special education to physically and/or mentally disabled young people, and to teenage mothers and girls who fled home from domestic violence.

Investing in better communication and communication tools resulted in more fans, more visits to our trilingual website, more readers of our bilingual newsletters, more likes on Facebook and Instagram. The increased brand awareness resulted in more sponsors and more donations for the Foundation, so that half of the activities were financed by sponsors.

In recent years, the Foundation has also started to involve the contact persons in West and East Africa more in the implementation of its policy. Possibly, the contact persons will play leading roles in the Foundation in the coming years and ensure that the support reaches the right target groups.

Results fundraising

The Foundation strives for 50% external funding of its annual expenditures and we managed to do that up to and including 2020. In 2021 we were once again fortunate with a donation of € 5,000 from [KWA bedrijfsadviseurs](#) in Amersfoort and a donation of € 3,300 from the [Transfair Foundation](#) in Leerdam for various projects. In addition, we received € 510 in individual private donations. A great start of 2021 for which we are our donors and sponsors very grateful!!

Learning Opportunity for Everybody

The mission of the Van Doorn Foundation is to contribute to the fight against poverty by funding education for vulnerable and financially less fortunate youths in developing nations, in order to increase their chances to find jobs, to provide for themselves and to support their families in the future.

Our target group are young people between the ages of twelve to twenty-five years, whose parents cannot or with great difficulty pay the school fees, and institutions (such as formal and informal vocational training centres, technical schools and special training centres for youth with disabilities) who need financial support to make education accessible and affordable for disadvantaged young people.



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