



## Child Sponsorship FAQs

***Q: How can I support Humanitarian Hands Charities' (HHCharities) children and programs?***

**A:** HHCharities has identified children who need assistance with tuition for a quality education. As a sponsor, your generous donation will provide a child's tuition along with uniforms, meals and school supplies.

***Q: How will my donation make an impact on HHCharities' children and programs?***

**A:** Your donation helps children focus on academic achievement to promote future success for them in the job market. A quality education for these children not only opens doors for them, but it also empowers the community in which they live.

***Q: How much does it cost to sponsor a child?***

**A:** The cost to sponsor a child is only \$33 per month.

***Q: What percentage of my donation goes to programs?***

**A:** Your donation is being spent wisely and effectively, with 89% of your sponsorship gift for your child's education going directly to Uganda to cover their needs.

***Q: Will I be the only person sponsoring the child I'm helping?***

**A:** Yes; the child you chose to help will have just one sponsor ... YOU!

***Q: How does HHCharities ensure that my support actually benefits the child I sponsor?***

**A:** We work exclusively through the children's managers to assist the children. They are personally acquainted with each sponsored child and his or her unique needs. We conduct audits regularly to make sure funds are properly received, tracked and managed.

Additionally, HHCharities' CEO or individuals from the Board of Directors visit Uganda once or twice annually to follow up on the use of funds and request program updates. Our children's manager in Fort Portal, Uganda also provides regular updates on individuals and projects. HHCharities shares these updates through letters, photos and drawings from the students who talk about their lives, school and homework, daily food, and new clothing.

We feel it's not enough to just ensure that funds are spent on your child. Like you, we want to also ensure that real development is taking place in the life of every sponsored child. For this reason, we monitor and evaluate the program's effectiveness and long-term impact — right down to the individual child.



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***Q: May I send gifts to my child?***

**A:** Yes. We encourage you to give additional monetary gifts for special occasions, to address specific needs, or simply as an act of love. These gifts are another effective way for you to reinforce your care and commitment to your sponsored child. The local children's manager will purchase your specified gifts on your behalf and make certain that these funds are used appropriately.

You may also send a gift to your sponsored child's family or guardian. With your monetary gift, the children's manager will purchase items your sponsored child's family needs, such as new beds, livestock, mosquito nets, and food supplies. We will work closely with the family to determine the greatest need and then purchase items accordingly.

***Q: As a sponsor, how will I learn about the child I am helping?***

**A:** Your child will write to you at least twice a year — and up to six times per year, depending on the frequency of your letters. A teacher or staff person will help children who have yet to learn how to read and write.

As you share your own family and personal concerns with the child you support, you'll probably discover that he or she is consistently praying for you. Also, as your exchange of letters with the child you sponsor grows over the years, you can build a scrapbook of letters and photos from your child. Your scrapbook will serve as a constant reminder of the relationship you've developed with the child you're helping and of how you've contributed to his or her growth.

***Q: How long should my child sponsorship last?***

**A:** You will have the opportunity to stay with a child for a number of years.

A sponsored child's circumstances may change which could mean the child must be removed from the program. We will inform you as quickly as possible if any such circumstance affects the child you sponsor, and we'll offer you the opportunity to support another child in need of your help.

***Q: What do I do if I am considering canceling my child sponsorship?***

**A:** We understand that circumstances sometimes occur which cause sponsors to discontinue their support of a child. To inquire about canceling your child sponsorship, please call our office at 972-331-6098 or email us at [Info@HHCharities.org](mailto:Info@HHCharities.org). You may discontinue your sponsorship at any time.

***Q: If I must discontinue my child sponsorship, what happens to the child I'm helping?***

**A:** If you need to discontinue your child sponsorship, we will work to find a new sponsor for your child as quickly as possible.



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***Q: Are my child sponsorship contributions tax-deductible?***

**A: Yes. All contributions are tax-deductible in the United States. We will send you letters during the year advising you of contributions received from you to support the child you are sponsoring. In this letter, we will verify that, in alignment with the regulations of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), no goods or services of any value will be transferred to you in association with your contribution.**