



Making A Difference in Tanzania

MWANGAZA MISSION STATEMENT

Mwangaza Kwa Wenye Ulemavu (The Beacon for Those with Disabilities) connects disabled and seriously ill children and adults with the medical, surgical and rehabilitative services they need.

We develop and conduct ongoing health education programs to teach the prevention of disease and disability.

We assist poor and underserved communities in developing and implementing programs that improve health and wellness.

Mwangaza's Work

Health Clinics: We have conducted over 60 health clinics, screening more than 3600 children and adults for a wide variety of diseases and illnesses. Clinics are held at rural health centers together with health center doctors and nurses.

Mobile Clinics with FAME*: Working together with FAME we have conducted three rural health clinics and have more scheduled. The Mobile Clinic team assesses and treats adults and children for a variety of diseases and illnesses often bringing quality care to an area otherwise underserved.

Corrective Surgeries: Through "outreach safaris" we have identified over 400 children in remote villages who had treatable disabilities and then made arrangements to transport them to Arusha for orthopedic and plastic surgery.

Mobile Clinic Team and Wilbert who was assessed at the first joint clinic held by FAME and Mwangaza at Minjingu Village

Mwangaza's New Hand Carry

The Health Clinics, Mobile Clinics and Corrective Surgeries all require medical equipment and supplies. Purchasing supplies in Tanzania is expensive and frequently important supplies are not available.

To address this issue Mwangaza is partnering with US organizations that collect medical equipment and supplies that are otherwise destined to be dumped in a land fill.

We will receive the equipment and supplies and distribute them to undersupplied clinics and hospitals. These are the health care facilities where we bring our patients and the better they are supplied the better the treatment our patients receive.





What You Can Do

Help Hand Carry

If you are traveling to Tanzania for business, pleasure or charitable work consider filling a bag or a portion of your bag with medical supplies or equipment for us.

How to Arrange to Hand Carry

Contact a representative of one the organizations we are partnering with listed to the right where we have an application and wish list on file. Each organization asks for a contribution which covers procurement, shipping, storage, and administration system incurred by the organization.

What to expect

The organization you choose to work with will ask that you make a contribution and give them contact information so they can ship a package of supplies to you in time for your departure. They will supply the necessary documents you will need to get the package into Tanzania.

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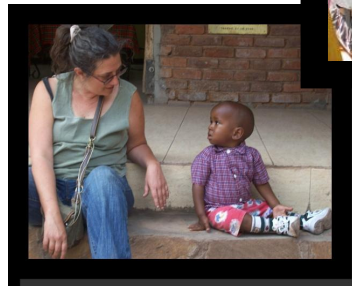


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To learn more about FAME visit www.fameafrica.org

Below: Paula and Wilbert after Wilbert received treatment for tuberculosis.



Above: Paula and Dr Sidney assessing a patients during the February Mobile Clinic at Kiru Six Village



Mwangaza is a Chicago-based 501c3 formed in 2000. We have an all-volunteer Board of Directors, no full-time or part-time staff and virtually no overhead costs. The members of our Board personally do all of the fundraising, legal work, bookkeeping, development of marketing materials, and maintenance of the website.

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