

after secondary school or after the university.

12. What if I am interested in supporting a child but cannot afford to pay this much?

You are free to join the Project together with your relatives or friends and share the expenses with them.

13. How many children are currently covered by the Project?

The Project currently covers 30 children. The sponsors are so far mostly Europeans but also Americans.

14. Why is this Project good for you?

This is a small Project so you are not anonymous. Becoming part of this Project is like entering a family. Sponsors enjoy the link to the supported children a lot!

HELP MATILDA!

Matilda is 8 years old. Her mother died last year. Her father is still alive but suffers from epilepsy and is not able to take care of the children or even of himself. Matilda and her 6 sisters and brothers live with their uncle, a 70-year old farmer. Matilda is malnourished and has had a history of malaria. Her feet are distorted. She desperately needs medical help.

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ORPHANS**



How
does
it
work?



1. What is the main idea of the Project?

The main idea of this Project is to connect the orphans from the Belo area (North West Province of Cameroon) with outside sponsors who will support the child until the end of its education. The sponsors cover all the basic needs of one particular child over the years through a monthly donation.

2. Do the children live in an orphanage?

No. According to the Kom tribe tradition, relatives take them in. But very often the relatives provide only shelter and have no money to cover other needs of the orphan.

3. What does the monthly donation cover?

The donation covers:

- School needs (registration fees, exam fees, textbooks and school accessories, uniform, shoes)
- Medical needs (regular check-ups and emergency cases)
- Clothing (a set of clothes twice a year)
- Food supplements for children up to 12 years old

4. Do the children/host families receive money in cash?

No, they never get cash. The people who run the Project (international volunteers & fieldworkers) take the sponsored kids to the market and buy the things they need, or they go to school/hospital together and pay there for the children.

5. How will I know that my money reaches the child?

The Project is run by international volunteers. Moreover, it is designed so that there are always two persons present when spending the money: an international BERUDEP volunteer and a fieldworker. They always request receipts that are later archived for evidence. Every child has a separate account book in which all the expenses are specified. Sponsors get copies of these account books every three months.

6. What happens when the Project Supervisor (an international volunteer) goes back home?

The Project Supervisor has to be a long term volunteer (available for at least 6 months). The primary task of a new Project Supervisor is to find the next Supervisor. The post of a Project Supervisor is a very desired one.

7. What do sponsors get in return?

Once every three months the sponsors receive a report from the Project Supervisor along with copies of the account book and a letter from the child.

8. Can I choose a child?

Yes. Sponsors are offered a choice of orphan profiles and can choose a child they want to support. The presented profiles are always high priority cases.

9. What is an orphan profile?

It is a document describing the situation of a child, its family story, education progress, medical needs, etc. It also describes the host family and says what the cost is for this particular child. The profile also contains photos.

10. What is the monthly cost of the sponsorship?

The monthly cost ranges from CFA 15,000 to CFA 25,000 (£17-£28/ €20-€37/\$35-\$60).

11. Why is the cost different for every child?

The cost is calculated on the basis of a careful cost assessment and needs analysis. It varies depending on the child's age and education progress. It also differs depending on the sponsor's decision whether to finish the sponsorship