

Uganda National Commission for UNESCO

FINAL REPORT ON SHOES OF HOPE DISTRIBUTION



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SHOES OF HOPE

Introduction

“Shoes of Hope” is an interactive shoes donation project started by Art Miles Mural Project (AMMP). The AMMP is a non – profit organization recognized by UNESCO as an International program supporting “The Decade for the Culture and Peace”

“Shoes of Hope” is designed to deliver messages of hope through shoes painted with beautiful drawings and messages of peace, love and hope to youths in need all around the world.

In South Korea, Seoul Youth Center for Cultural Exchange (MIZY Center) joined this project through holding a “Sharing festival” Shoes of Hope in October 2007. The first festival was achieved very successfully. The second festival involved 4,000 pairs of shoes painted by 3,500 Korean Youths and donated to Ugandan Youth I February 2008.

In the light of a shared common history between Korea and Uganda characterized by violence and lack of peace and in the spirit of South to South cooperation between the two National Commissions for UNESCO, a working relationship was created in 2006. The first major activity under this cooperation was the joint organization in Kampala of a training workshop for teachers/tutors on Human Rights and Peace Education in July 2007.

As a means of furthering people to people contact and also promoting peace initiatives, the Korean National Commission solicited and got the support of Seoul Youth Center for Cultural Exchange (MIZY Center) to donate 4,000 pairs of shoes with peace messages, targeting youth mainly in Northern Uganda who have gone through untold suffering due to the LRA insurgency.

The “Shoes of Hope” hand over ceremony in Uganda was held on 20th February, 2008 at Kitante Primary School (Kampala) in which the following organizations/individuals witnessed:

- Ministry of Education and sports
- Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development
- Uganda National Commission for UNESCO
- Korean National Commission for UNESCO
- Seoul Youth Center for Cultural Exchange (MIZY Center)
- High – 1 Resort (Korea)
- Youth MP – Northern Uganda
- National Youth Council
- UNHCR
- Office of the Prime Minister
- Uganda Human Rights Commission
- Caritas Uganda
- Civil Society Organizations
- Secondary and primary schools students

- The press

During the hand over ceremony presided over the Hon. Minister of Education and Sports, a total of 100 pairs of shoes were distributed to students from primary and secondary schools as well as youths from youth centers.

Distribution strategy for 4,000 pairs of shoes

The Uganda National Commission for UNESCO and Uganda Catholic Secretariat had a mutual understanding by which Caritas Uganda, through their Caritas Uganda office offered custody of the 4,000 pairs of shoes in their stores until the completion of the distribution to the beneficiaries. Caritas Uganda also participated in the physical distribution of the shoes to the beneficiaries through their established community development and emergency response program.

The Ministry of Education and Sports and UNATCOM ensured that the taxes and clearance of the shoes were made and delivered for custody to Caritas Uganda offices in Nsambya.

Beneficiaries

The main objective of the project was for the Korean youth extending their solidarity to Ugandan youth, particularly those in Northern Uganda, with love and hope through the paintings and peace messages on the shoes. The primary beneficiaries of this donation were youth in primary and secondary schools with peace clubs, sports clubs and youth centers in the north. However, as love and hope are universal, all regions in Uganda benefited, though northern Uganda got a bigger allocation. Their usage was Shoes of Hope carried peace messages of solidarity from the Korean Youth to those in Uganda to promote peace and reconciliation in Uganda. The following categories of beneficiaries were identified:

- Education institutions that participated in the KNCU-UNATCOM workshop on Human Rights and Peace Education in Uganda in July 2007
- ASPnet schools with peace building programs
- Rehabilitation centers of formerly abducted children in northern Uganda (GUSCO – Gulu, Rachele Rehabilitation Center – Lira, World Vision – Gulu, KICWA – Kitgum, Caritas.
- Civil Society Organizations handling street children like Child Restoration Outreach – Masaka
- Youth centres
- Organizations with peace building programs
- Primary and Secondary schools especially with a history of peacelessness.

Regionally, the distribution was as follows:

- Northern Uganda – 2,000 pairs
- Eastern Uganda – 1,000 pairs
- Central Uganda – 500 pairs
- Western Uganda – 500 pairs

Total 4,000 pairs

Distribution strategy

Some of the selected beneficiaries picked the shoes from Uganda Catholic Secretariat; others were physically delivered to the beneficiaries by UNATCOM and CARITAS – Uganda.

For purposes of promoting UNATCOM's visibility, physical delivery was in the presence of the area MPs, District authorities and beneficiaries in the following areas:

- Child Restoration Outreach – Masaka District (24th, February 2009)
- GUSCO Peace Centre– Gulu District(27th, February 2009)
- St. Mary's Aboke Girls – Oyam District (26th, February 2009)
- Madera Girls Primary School – Soroti District (25th, February 2009)



Beneficiaries of Shoes of Hope							
S/No	Name of beneficiary	No of shoes	District	Nature	Region	Distribution Centres	Date received
1	Buddo Junior P.S.	80	Wakiso	HRPE	Central	Buddo	20th Nov 2008
2	Child Restoration Outreach	150	Masaka		Central	Masaka	24th Feb 2009
3	Bwera Demonstration School	40	Kasese	HRPE	Western	Masaka	24th Feb 2009
4	Kasese P. S	40	Kasese	ASpnet	Western	Masaka	24th Feb 2009
5	Ikirah Education Center	40	Masaka	ASpnet	Central	Masaka	24th Feb 2009
6	Immaculate Heart S.S.	40	Rukingiri	ASpnet	Western	Masaka	24th Feb 2009
7	St. Mugaga S.S.	40	Mubende	ESD	Western	Masaka	24th Feb 2009
8	Youth Groups - Western Uganda	250			Western	Masaka	24th Feb 2009
9	Makobore High School	40	Rukingiri	HRPE	Western	Rukingiri	24th Feb 2009
10	Nabumali H.S.	40	Mbale	HRPE	Eastern	Mbale	25th Feb 2009
11	St. Aloysius Demonstration	40	Ngora	ASpnet	Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
12	Lwala Girls	40	Kaberamaido	ESD	Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
13	Ococia Girls S.S	40	Amuria	ST Schools	Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
14	Madera Girls	40	Soroti	ST Schools	Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
15	Dabani Girls	40	Busia	ST Schools	Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
16	Youth Groups - Katakwi	100			Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
17	Youth Groups - Kaberamaido	100			Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
18	Youth Groups - Soroti	100			Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
19	Youth Groups - Kumi	100			Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009
20	Youth Groups - Eastern Uganda	250			Eastern	Soroti	25th Feb 2009

21	James Ochola Memorial School	40	Tororo	ASpnet	Eastern	Tororo	25th Feb 2009
22	St. Mary's College - Aboke Girls	80	Oyam	HRPE	Northern	Lira	26th Feb 2009
23	Barmwony P S	40	Apac	HRPE	Northern	Lira	26th Feb 2009
24	Komuny Girls School	40	Kaabong	HRPE	Eastern	Lira	26th Feb 2009
25	Rachele Rehabilitation Center	400	Lira	Rehabilitation Centers	Northern	Lira	26th Feb 2009
26	Gulu Army School	40	Gulu	HRPE	Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
27	Kalongo High School	40	Pader	HRPE	Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
28	Paidha Model School	40	Nebbi	Caritas	Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
29	Y.Y. Okot Memorial	40	Kitgum	ASPnet	Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
30	Sacred Heart S. S	40	Gulu	ST Schools	Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
31	GUSCO	100	Gulu		Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
32	Pajule Rehabilitation Center	200	Pader		Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
33	KICWA	200	Kitgum		Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
34	World Vision	150	Gulu		Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
35	Luo Talent Center	100	Gulu	Youth groups	Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
36	Youth Groups - Gulu	100			Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
37	Youth Groups - West Nile	300			Northern	Gulu	27th Feb 2009
38	Kigumba S.S.	40	Masindi	HRPE	Western	Kigumba	27th Feb 2009
39	St. Mapeera S.S.S.	40	Wakiso	Caritas	Central	Caritas	20th Mar 2009
40	Shimoni Demonstration School	40	Kampala	ASpnet	Central	Caritas	20th Mar 2009
41	St. Kizito P.S.	40	Kampala	ASpnet	Central	Caritas	20th Mar 2009

42	Kitante P. S.	40	Kampala	Host	Central	Caritas	20th Mar 2009
43	Baale S.S.	40	Kayunga	ESD	Central	Caritas	20th Mar 2009
44	Youth Groups - Central Uganda	200			Central	Caritas	20th Mar 2009
	Grand Total	4000					