

LIV LIFT UP THE
VULNERABLE

2019 IMPACT REPORT



is on a mission to lift up vulnerable children & women at-risk to human trafficking and oppression in warzones—specifically in Sudan and South Sudan.

THE GIFT OF RE-ROOTING - AUDREY MOORE, CEO

2019 was both a tough and tremendously important year.

As any of you who have been a part of transitions can relate, they are not for the faint of heart and can be rife with obstacles.

My team (both stateside and internationally) and I have had many sleepless and prayerful nights as we all wondered if the resources would come in to provide for the most vulnerable God placed under our watchful care.

We knew a reorganization and transition was a necessary next step for the mission Make Way Partners began and trusted that God had opened the doors for **LUV to grow and deepen** the quality of care for the most vulnerable in our network. But we also had to make a lot of tough decisions for the way forward, including significant budget cuts to ensure we had enough to provide for the precious lives under our protection.

A re-rooting was required to strengthen the mission of lifting up the vulnerable in warzones.

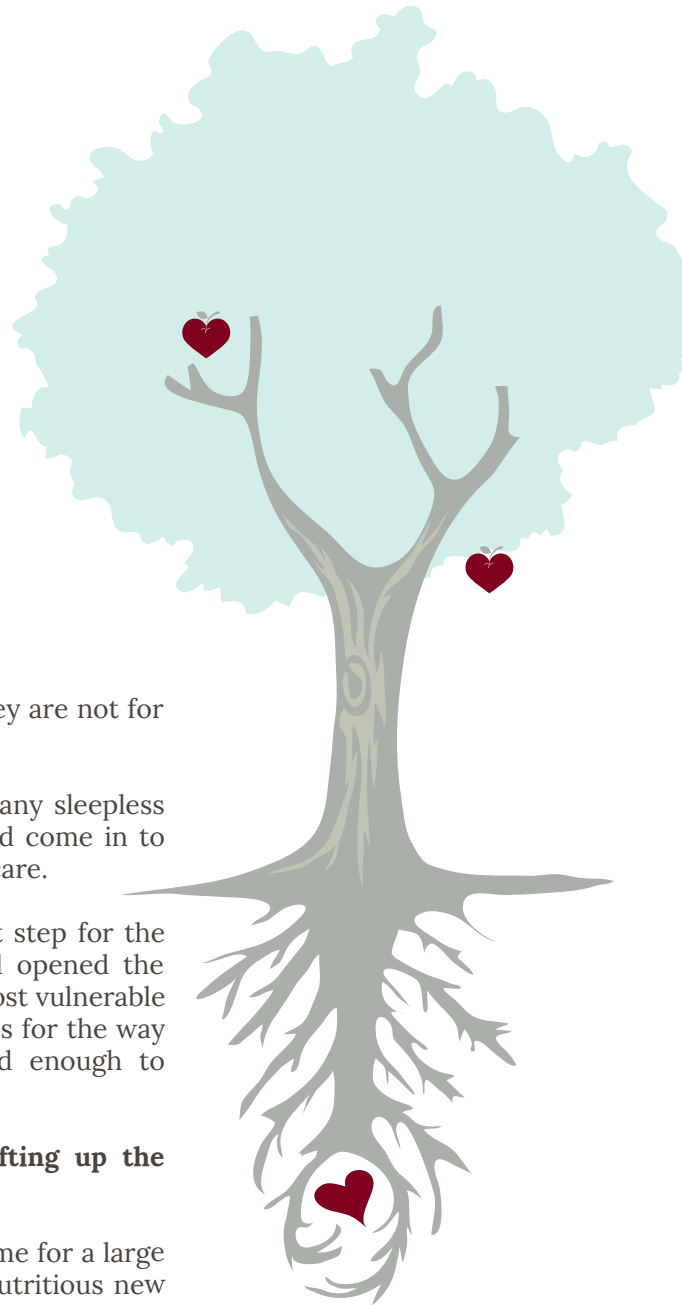
If you've ever gardened, you know re-rooting is a very tender time for a large plant and requires careful digging, a heap of help in moving, nutritious new soil, dedicated attention, and the simple gift of time to grow stronger.

The most essential part of re-rooting takes place unseen and sometimes that waiting period is hard to bear. But with deep breaths and fervent prayer, trust in the process reminds us that **as a fruit tree grows, the last thing to be revealed is the fruit.**

One of those fruits from 2019 was a **network of deeply generous partners** that offered themselves and their resources to stand with LUV and our mission to lift up orphans and widows in their distress. To each individual, church, company, and organization reflected in these pages, **THANK YOU & God bless you.** We all felt the gift of your love and we simply couldn't have re-rooted without your generosity of trust and continued faithfulness to this ministry. Your partnerships equip us to share Christ's love by protecting, empowering and lifting up children and women in warzones.

A second fruit was the **precious gift of a new perspective.** From our new vantage point, we have a clearer vision of where we're headed and what's needed next to deepen the quality of care we offer. This gift is opening new doors to further participate in the empowerment of our indigenous partners. We have exciting plans, new partnerships, and announcements for 2020—so stay tuned!

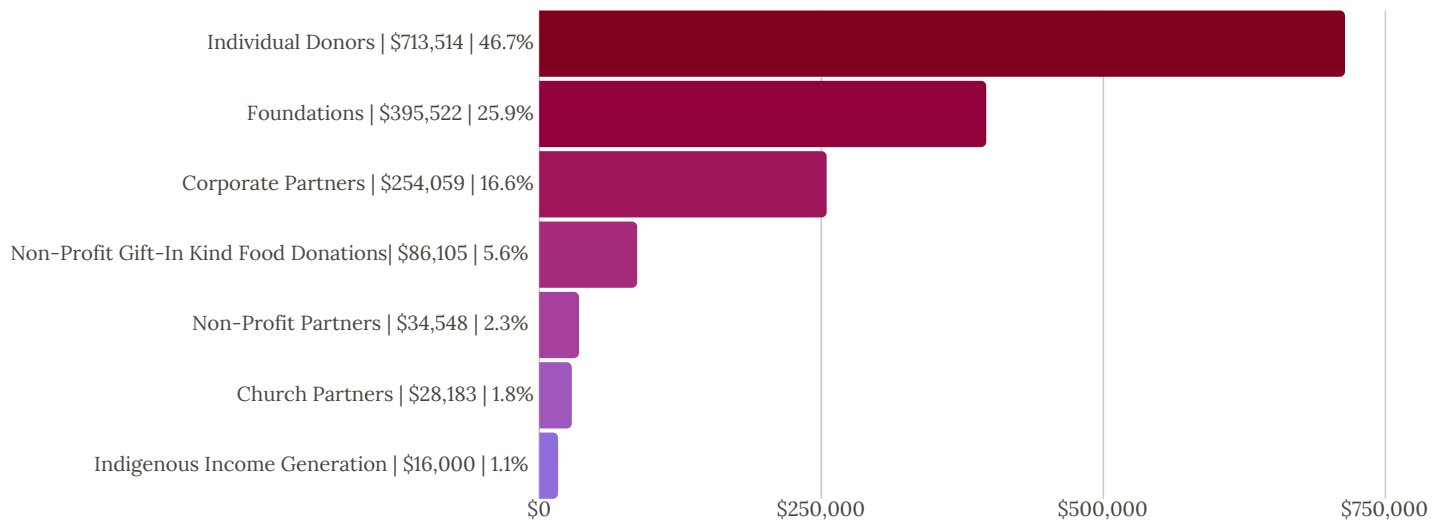
To follow is a brief overview of our 2019 financials and impacts. Fiscal transparency and excellent stewardship are our goals. If you have any questions please reach out to Sam Allison, CFO, or me directly and we'll be happy to schedule a time to share more with you.



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

REVENUE SOURCES

In 2019, partners from 39 states and 7 countries donated **\$1,511,931** for LUV's programs; an additional **\$16,000** was raised through new indigenous income generation initiatives in South Sudan.



INDIGENOUS INCOME GENERATION PROJECTS

As the adage goes, "necessity is the mother of invention," and in 2019 our indigenous partners at Hope For South Sudan began innovating ideas for local income generation to help bridge the gap due to the downturn in donations. Through networking with other organizations in the area, they discovered that their farm equipment could be hired out to generate income locally. **This year, Hope For South Sudan is leading the way in business innovation and self-sustainability initiatives!**

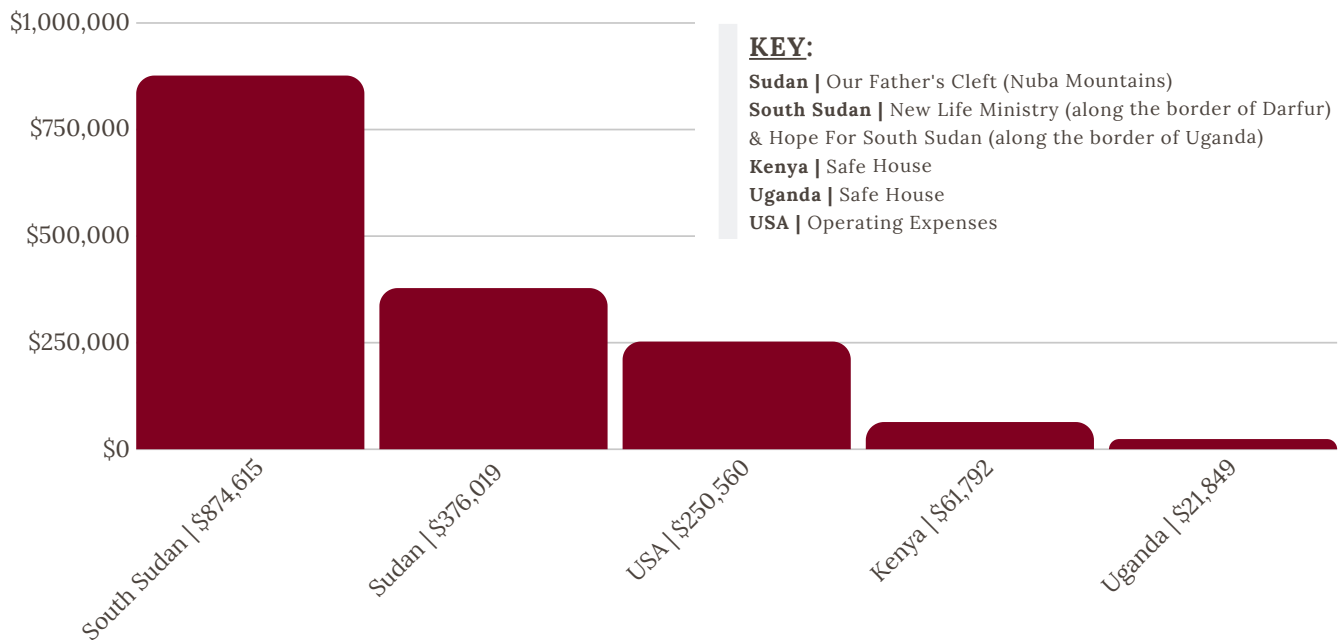
In March 2020, Eugenio Kirima, LUV's Chief Program Officer, will visit HFSS with an agriculturalist from our partners at **Rise Against Hunger** to help our team on the ground evaluate and craft a strategic plan toward increasing food growth for our children and agricultural commerce to sell in the local market and beyond.

If you have experience in agribusiness or other "business as mission" models and would like to participate and/or seed small projects, please contact Audrey Moore directly.



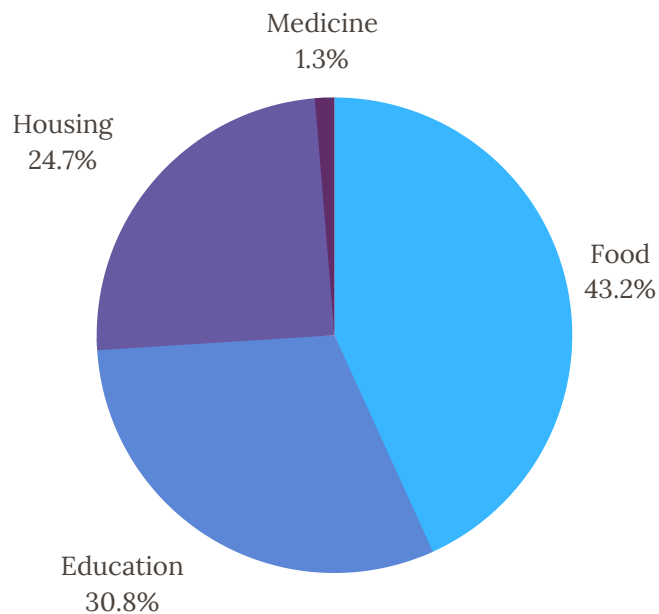
ORGANIZATION EXPENSES

84.2% of donations were used for program expenses in Africa; including food, housing, education, and medical care.



PROGRAM EXPENSES

The greatest program expense was food in 2019, which cost approximately \$683,344.





JOIN THE MOVEMENT OF LUV!

Our Mission:

Lift up vulnerable children and women at-risk to human trafficking and oppression in warzones.

Our Method:

The act of lifting requires strength. We are strongest when we lift together. Therefore, to effectively prevent human trafficking and exploitation in warzones, LUV unites indigenous directors, local staff, global partners, and passionate volunteers to creatively address the issues affecting the vulnerable in culturally appropriate ways.

Our indigenous partners in Sudan and South Sudan are then equipped to offer intervention, rescue, and aftercare for the most vulnerable in their communities.

Together, we provide food, housing, education, security, employment, sustainability initiatives, medical and spiritual care. These important resources are key components to addressing vulnerabilities and ending exploitation and trafficking.





927 children
protected in a
loving home

1,655 students
received
education

1.4M nutritious
meals
served

212 indigenous
leaders
empowered

LUV ENDS HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN WARZONES—ONE LIFE AT A TIME

For children like Daula, your partnership in providing a loving home, education, medical care, food, and lots of love protects vulnerable children from trafficking or oppression. She shares,

“The burden of carrying this different skin has caused me untold suffering and misery. I don’t know even why I am different.”

Daula’s “sufferings” are made more complicated by the lack of education on her condition. Many children living with albinism are isolated, abused and discriminated against. In east and central Africa, albinos have been kidnapped and trafficked across the borders to witch doctors who remove their body parts for use in witchcraft.

As an orphan, Daula found herself early on with no advocates and was forced to perform manual jobs to simply survive. When Daula learned of the love that you made possible for the most vulnerable in her community, she decided to seek admission at **Our Father’s Cleft home and school in the Nuba Mountains of Sudan**. Because of your partnership that makes these opportunities possible, Daula now has a family to stand with her. Her dream is to become a pilot so that she can rescue other vulnerable children and remind them that they belong.



For children like Akwero, your partnership in lifting up the vulnerable helps pick up the pieces of broken lives after war and violence ripped through her village and family. The staff at **Hope For South Sudan, along the border of Uganda**, shared,

“When the LRA militia came, Akwero's father diverted their attention to save his wife and daughters. That diversion cost him his life.”

The Lord Resistance Army's legacy on this earth was one of torturing, raping, killing, and kidnapping to grow their child-soldier army.

After the devastating attack on their village, Akwero's grieving mother struggled to find a way to send her daughters to school, as well as offer them food, clean water, and a safe place to live. When she was remarried, her new husband would not accept or care for her children because they were not his own.

So when Akwero's mother learned of the love that you made possible for the most vulnerable in her community, she decided to seek admission at Hope For South Sudan home and school for her daughters.

Because of your partnership that makes these opportunities possible, Akwero, her sister Mary, and her mother now have a global family to stand with them in love.



For children like James and his grandmother Amonica, your partnership is restoring hope for a new generation of peacemakers who are leading with love in warzones. James shares,

“I was brought up by my grandmother who suffered a lot taking care of me. My grandmother is also a widow and she serves as a cleaner at New Life Ministry. Despite being in desperate, she brought me up healthy and I wish to become somebody important some days to come.”

Almost all of Amonica's twelve children died due to unknown diseases or at the hands of the Janjaweed, a militia group that raided, looted, and trafficked women and children from villages in her area. When her youngest son (James' father) died, only Amonica and James remained—the last of their entire family.



As a widow and an orphan, Amonica and James had few options. When Amonica learned of the love that you made possible for the most vulnerable in her community, she decided to find work for herself and seek admission at **New Life Ministry home and school, along the border of Darfur**, for her grandson.

Most of the children protected in our anti-human trafficking network have histories of deep loss, betrayal, sudden death, slavery, and despair like Amonica, James, Daula and Akwero. The exploitation of vulnerabilities continues in Sudan and South Sudan. But, with your partnership, so does the lifting up of the most vulnerable and the transformative gift of faith, hope, and love.

Read their full stories at: liftupthevulnerable.org/blog

**THE ACT OF LIFTING REQUIRES STRENGTH.
WE ARE STRONGEST WHEN WE LIFT TOGETHER.**

Join us!



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