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WHO WE ARE

BaNgaAfayo! Translated? It means, "Show you care" Reason being that if it's too much to ask that people become part of solving a problem, can they at least show that they care? That in itself would require action!

Ba Nga Afayo Initiative Uganda is a nonprofit organization with a special focus on villages in rural Uganda. The organization is working towards the holistic development of the under-privileged and marginalized children, youth and young women in rural communities struggling to cope with the devastating effects of poverty and HIV through social development and poverty alleviation interventions by coordinated, strategic programs in education, life skills, economic development, public health and advocacy, empowerment of girls and sports for development.



VISION

We envision a world without poverty where all children and adolescents girls are empowered, have meaningful opportunities to grow and learn so that they may reach their full potential.

MISSION

Our mission is to bring real and lasting change to children, youth and women living in poverty through holistic multidimensional programs in education, economic development and public health





HOW WE AIM TO ACHIEVE OUR MISSION

There is no silver bullet to ending poverty. It takes high-quality programs, an army of people and a safe environment to level the playing field for all children, youth & women. BaNgaAfayo doesn't just do one thing, we do whatever it takes to build great futures for children & youth in marginalized communities where we work.

Ba Nga Afayo Initiative Uganda invests in the whole child with a four-pillar approach, health, education, employment and empowerment... all working towards achieving our mission to bring real and lasting change to children, youth and women living in poverty through holistic multidimensional in education. economic programs development and public health

Ba Nga Afayo Initiative Uganda is a community-driven organization that develops programs based on the needs of the children, youth and young women in the communities we serve.

OUR APPROACH

We have developed a model that provides individualized and holistic support for children, youth & young women in the communities where we work.



HOW WE WORK



We aim to contribute to lasting improvements in the lives of children, youth and young women through implementation of high-quality, multi-dimensional education programs.

In order to engage in supporting children, youth & young women, we must also include their family and the community. We are working to change the narrative for everyone.

Our programs help girls make choices and changes in their lives. Igniting their confidence so every girl can choose to be in control of her body, her health, her learning and livelihood.

We work towards the survival and well-being of the world's most vulnerable children and families, through service provision and sensitization

Our health programs develop children, youth & young women's knowledge and capacity to engage in positive behaviors to nurture their well-being, live healthy lives and know their rights.



EDUCATION

Where we work, children don't have the opportunity to receive an education. Some don't have resources like books or uniforms, leaving children to fall behind without the support to catch up. Youth drop out of school to support their families and never go back. And entire school systems are understaffed, failing to provide adequate education to the children.

Early Childhood Development

The Early Education program's objective is to provide children ages 1-6 with the attention, stimulation, and nutrition they need to succeed at the primary level and beyond. The program supports children's holistic development and early learning, helping children to meet key milestones in accordance with their developmental stage.



School supplies & Tuition support.

This ensures that children from low-income families in our communities can afford school as well as receive the tools they need to succeed in school. This includes backpacks stuffed with grade level supplies for children plus sanitary towels for teenage girls in our programs and those from poverty stricken families to make sure children stay in school.



Parent & Teacher training

Working with the entire community from teachers to parents, BaNgaAfayo empowers community leaders through education. Our inclusive approach in all our programs cultivates knowledge-rich environments to help at-risk children thrive. Teachers are the determining factor of a quality education. Our trainings help teachers to become the best version of themselves and improve the quality of education offered at public schools.



Education Enrichment

The goal of the Program is to help Out-of-School Children and primary students from under-served communities who are lagging behind in school to develop their full potential through personalized, age-appropriate teaching methodologies. It aims to contribute to the reduction of educational gaps by promoting the development of life skills such as literacy, logical-mathematical reasoning, as well as critical and creative thinking.

COMMUNITY

We believe every child deserves to be protected from violence, live a full life, and have the chance to grow and learn so that they may reach their full potential.

Where we work, we build a safety net of loving people to protect children, prevent harm and ensure that those who are harmed receive the help they need to recover





Child Protection

We don't just work to keep children free from dangerous situations, we also actively work to reduce poverty and social stigma that often lead to atrocities against children such as abuse, child labour, neglect and child marriage. Every child has the right to live and thrive in a safe and caring family environment, free from all forms of violence.

Gender-based violence training

Women and girls today are at an alarming risk of violence in almost every space—at school and work, in the home and community, and even online. All of these have physical, psychological and social consequences. We take the initiative to educate the communities in which we work the dangers of GBV and also empower children, youth and young women on their rights and how to fight it.

Advocacy



Our advocacy efforts aim to secure and sustain investments in health and education to drive appropriate system reforms and actions that facilitate attainment and foster better health and education outcomes for last mile children, youth and young women. We endlessly push to win and secure the will and support of policymakers, health service providers, educators, influencers and communities to commit the necessary resources and enact policies that bring about improvement of health and education in poor and rural communities.

Parents are advocates for children and youth in our community, and are leading the way in addressing sensitive cultural norms that limit opportunities for children & youth especially adolescent girls.



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GIRL CHILD EMPOWERMENT

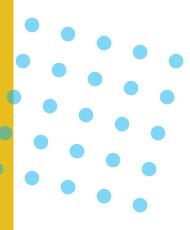
It's time to put girls in control. When we do, everyone wins. Because when one girl finds her power to make different choices that change her life, it inspires others to do so too. She starts a ripple effect that impacts her family, her community, her country.

It's time girls had the freedom to be their confident and curious selves.

It's time to arm girls with the skills to negotiate, and redefine what they are told is possible.







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Mentorship

Through our life skills programs, girls participate in activities and experiences that build the learning, skills, and behaviors that increase confidence and resilience, enabling them to set and achieve their goals and lead productive, independent, and fulfilling lives.



Leadership Skills

Our programs – in partnership with schools and communities where we work – focus on the development of the whole girl. A combination of long-lasting mentoring relationships, a pro-girl environment and research-based programming equips girls to lead fulfilling and productive lives, break the cycle of poverty, and become role models in their communities.



Goal Setting

We have programs in place that help the girls in the communities create a road map for their success when they set goals. The goal-setting process allows them to establish a plan to turn their dreams into reality. Goals gives them a sense of purpose and direction. This makes it less likely that they will aimlessly wander through life.



Career Guidance

Through some of our programs, the girls and young women are given training and resources so their education translates to good jobs and good decisions. Mentors lead girls through simulation games, conversations about personal values and resilience, and activities to balance stress and identify action steps for long-term goals.



FAMILY

Ba Nga Afayo Initiative Uganda partners with communities where we work to eliminate causes of poverty, increase self-sufficiency of mothers and families and revive communities.

Our community development programs work in a variety of ways to improve the condition of many families so that they can be able to provide for their children.

Family Planning

At BaNgaAfayo, we belive that when families have fewer children, they are also more able to invest in their children's wellbeing. This translates to better nutrition, living conditions, health care, and education opportunities for children. And, when kids have the right environment to learn and grow, they can reach their full potential and support their community as adults. In this way, family planning can help lift entire communities out of poverty.



Positive Parenting

Children learn more, show more compassion and feel better about themselves when they are in an environment that is caring, connected and safe. At BaNgaAfayo, we empower parents so that they can provide that environment! Our parents training sessions help parents and caregivers learn evidence-based discipline strategies, practice new skills, increase their sense of confidence and build a sense of community with other parents.

Economic Development



Through different approaches, BaNgaAfayo is working to address the needs of low-income, vulnerable children and their parents together to help break the cycle of poverty. These holistic and integrated approaches help families achieve economic stability, upward mobility, and healthy child development. BaNgaAfayo elevates local solutions that have helped transition low-income families out of poverty by giving them the tools and opportunities they need to succeed.

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HEALTH & WELLNESS

The cycle of poverty is an interconnected mix of factors that imprisons entire communities for generations. While it's difficult to unwind every element of poverty, one thing stands out — health conditions and access to health care play a huge factor in a community's poverty rate. Children where we work live without access to basic health necessities such as clean water and sanitation. Health issues often cause children to fall behind in school, and a lack of education leads the way for drug use, early pregnancy and gang affiliation.



Sports for Development

Ba Nga Afayo Initiative Uganda harnesses the power of sport to create positive change in the lives of disadvantaged young people in the rural and marginalized communities where we work. BaNgaAfayo's work helps to make young people and their communities healthier, safer and more successful. We are focused on using the power of sport to help children and youth on their pathway to success. Our programs improve education outcomes, improve health & wellbeing, raise sexual health awareness, promote gender equality and build life-skills

Child & Maternal Health

We work towards the survival and well-being of the world's most vulnerable children and families, through service provision and sensitization. Through our Maternity home Project, we seek to improve care around the time of birth and after birth to save the lives of women and newborns. Our community health systems focus on women, newborns, and young children (particularly during the critical first 1,000 days of their lives) to both prevent and treat malnutrition.



Mental Health

Supporting the mental health of children and youth is more important than ever. We are empowering children with skills to manage their emotions and build resiliency. Our Sports programs aims to increase opportunities for physical activity, social interaction and recognition through high-quality structured sports programming. During this time, youth can also be counseled and our community center is a safe space to talk about there issues.

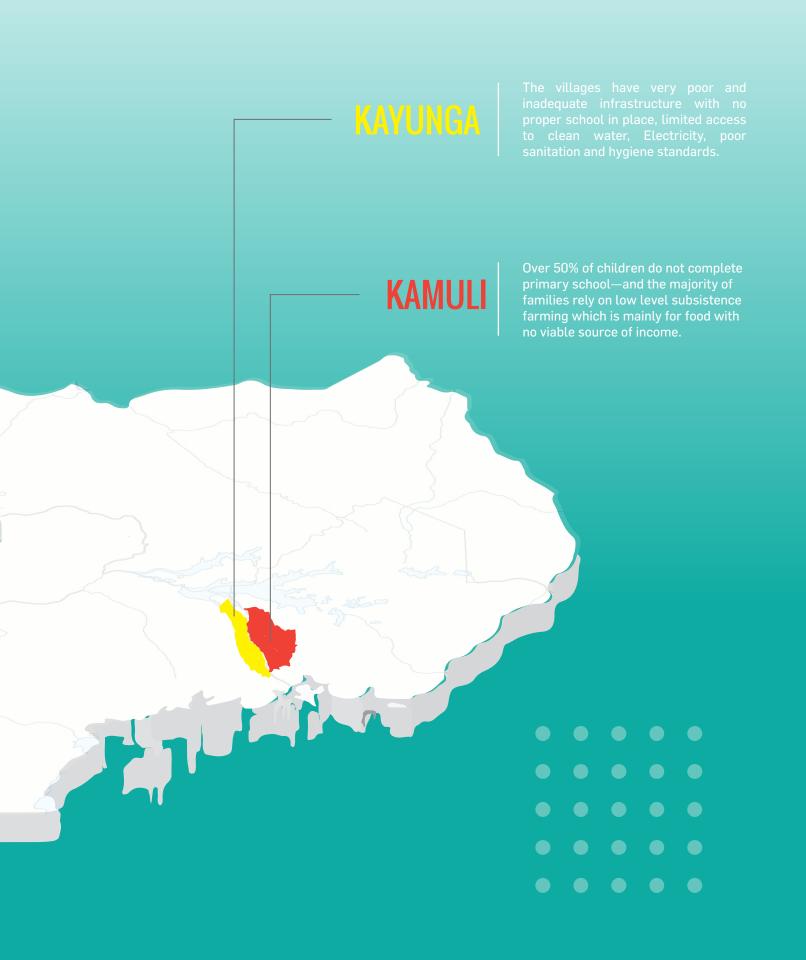
SHRH & HIV/AIDS



We are implementing a project to provide correct knowledge, attitude and skills for preventing and reducing HIV infections among adolescents especially girls and young women. We are also working to make sure no girl misses school, just because they are in their periods. With access to clean water, good toilets and sanitary pads, girls can continue to to attend school even during their periods

WHERE WE WORK

Over 80% of the population where we work are dependent on low level subsistence farming which is mainly for food with no viable source of income and survive on one meal a day. This has accelerated the vicious cycle of poverty and high illiteracy rates because it is nearly impossible for these families to educate their children making it difficult for the residents to get access to services and opportunities.



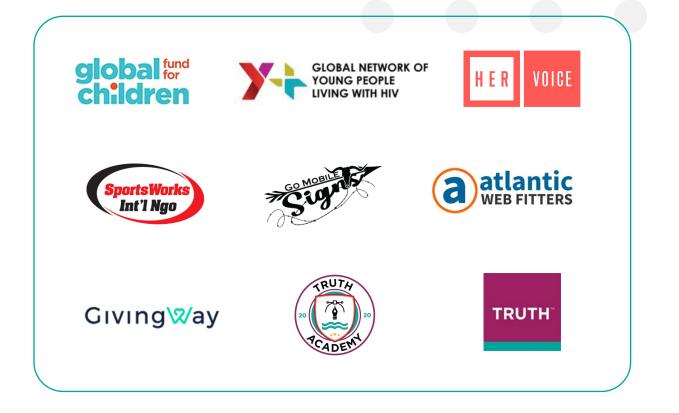
PICTORIAL

Some of our activities with children, youth, adolescent girls and young women in pictures.





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