

# GO FUND

ANNUAL REPORT  
2024



# DIRECTOR'S LETTER

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**Dear Friends, Partners, and Supporters,**

As I reflect on the past year, I'm filled with gratitude for the progress we've made, the lives we've touched, and the steadfast commitment of our partners. At GO Fund, our mission to empower communities through sustainable, locally driven development is both a responsibility and a privilege.

**In 2024, we deepened our roots in Ghana and Kenya,** working alongside grassroots leaders, educators, and healthcare workers who are transforming their communities from within. Whether supporting girls' education, expanding access to clean water, or building agricultural resilience, our work was grounded in one belief: lasting change starts at the local level.

**I am especially proud of the partnerships that have flourished,** including our ongoing collaboration with the Davie Family Foundation, which has brought vital resources and renewed hope to underserved regions. These alliances reaffirm that community-led development is not only sustainable—it's dignified and enduring.

**Our vision remains bold:** a world where opportunity is not dictated by geography and every community has the tools to thrive. Thank you for walking this journey with us. Your belief in our mission fuels every success story in this report.

With gratitude,

**SARAH DAVIE**

Founder & Executive Director





# WHO WE ARE

GO Fund empowers women and children in Africa to build independent, sustainable futures. We **deliver practical, low-cost programs** in vocational training, maternal health, savings groups, and micro-enterprise to help women achieve financial independence. At the same time, we support children's education and well-being by **partnering with grassroots organizations** in Kenya, Uganda, and Ghana to provide access to food, shelter, healthcare, and schooling.

Founded in 2001 as the Medical Relief Alliance (MRA), a grassroots effort led by Sarah Davie to bring medical aid to underserved Kenyan communities, GO Fund has evolved into an independent nonprofit advancing community development. Building on MRA's early values and partnerships, GO Fund continues a **two-decade legacy** of **investing in local leadership and economic opportunity**.

20+  
years of  
community-  
led impact



## OUR MISSION

GO Fund champions sustainable solutions for women and children in Africa through education, support, and opportunity.

## OUR VISION

GO Fund envisions a future across Africa where women are financially independent and children have the opportunity to thrive.



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# 2024 AT A GLANCE

In 2024, GO Fund made meaningful strides in empowering women and children across Africa. With support from donors and local partners, we launched new programs, expanded existing ones, and strengthened communities. **All programs were completed under budget**—a testament to our local partners' efficiency and deep commitment. **96.5% of expenses went directly to programs**—underscoring our commitment to maximizing impact.



## HEALTH & CHILDREN

- 8 babies delivered at the new Maternity Ward in Gyabankrom, Ghana
- 276 children enrolled at Pathfinder School
- **600+ meals served** to blind & elderly women via Meals on Wheels

## FOOD SECURITY & LIVELIHOODS

- A new water tower installed in Kisii provides **clean water to 16,500 people**
- The Culinary Center raises 700 chickens and 3 dairy cows, producing 1,350 eggs per week and 827 liters of milk per month
- **32 goats distributed** through the Gift a Goat program

## WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

- **50 women trained** annually through Sew for Sisterhood
- **200 women active** in Village Savings & Loan (VSLA) groups
- **First cohort graduated** from Sew for Sisterhood's certified training program

***Total Funds Raised:***

***\$355,976***



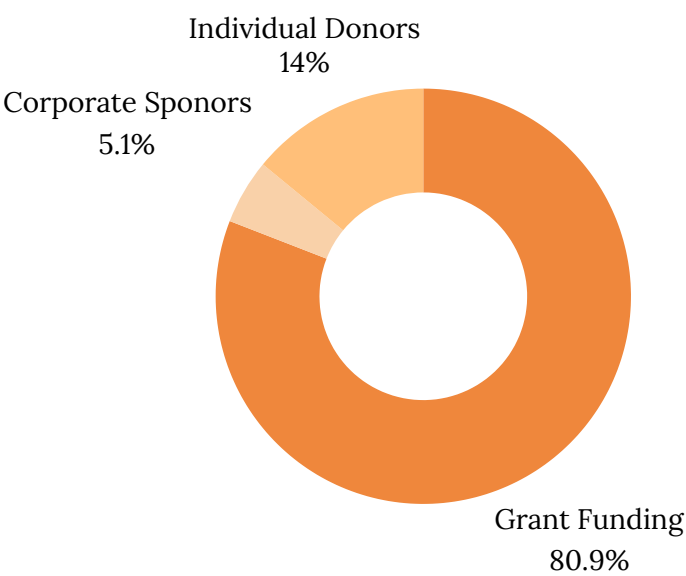
# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

In 2024, GO Fund significantly expanded its support network while maximizing the impact of every donor dollar. Thanks to the generosity of individual donors, corporate sponsors, and grant funding, **all programs were completed under budget**, ensuring that resources were used efficiently and effectively.

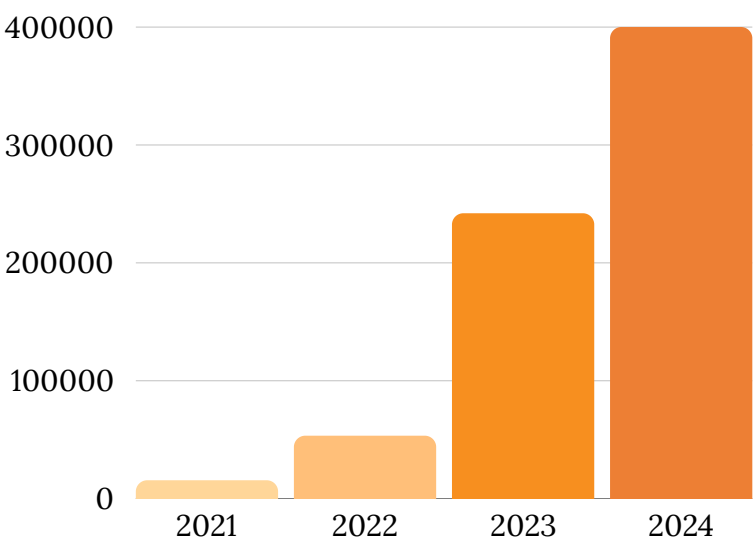
## FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Total Revenue	\$400,084
Total Expenses	\$329,057
Net Assets (End of Year)	\$86,330

## REVENUE BREAKDOWN



## ANNUAL DONATIONS GROWTH



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# CULINARY CENTER

Sponsored by Brégal Helps & Custom Culinary

Completed in late 2024, the Culinary and Agricultural Training Center in Kisii, Kenya is GO Fund's **hub for nutrition, entrepreneurship, and food security**. Built in partnership with GO Fund's local grassroots partner, the center blends hands-on training in animal husbandry, poultry farming, and organic agriculture.

A thriving 2-acre garden supplies food for schools and fuels the **Meals on Wheels** program, which delivers hot, nutritious meals to elderly and blind women in the community. The center also awards a **two-year Apprenticeship Program** to promising young people, providing them with paid, hands-on training in sustainable farming to prepare them to launch their own agricultural businesses.



## 2024 IMPACT

- 700 chickens and 4 dairy cows raised on-site
- 1,350 eggs produced weekly; 827 liters of milk monthly
- 600+ meals served to elderly and blind women through Meals on Wheels



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# TYSON WATER TOWER

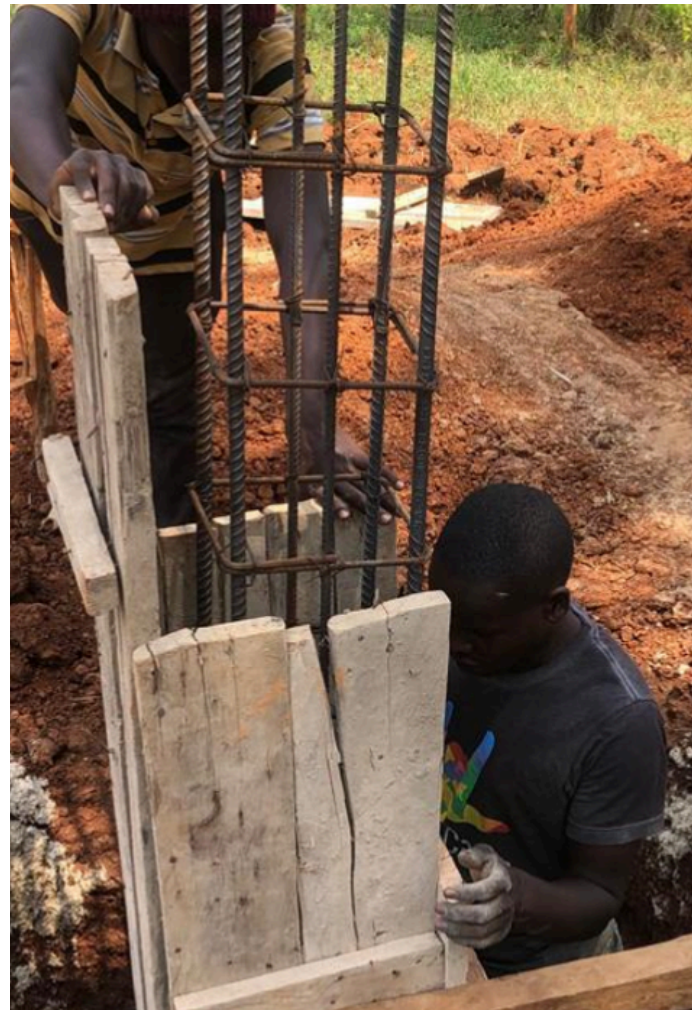
Sponsored by Tyson Foods

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Access to clean water is essential for community health, sustainable agriculture, and food security. With full funding from Tyson Foods, the Tyson Water Tower was constructed in Kisii, Kenya, alongside GO Fund's Culinary and Agricultural Training Center.

The tower provides a **reliable water source** for both Culinary Center operations and the wider community, including households, livestock care, and crop irrigation.

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## 2024 IMPACT

- Over **16,500 people** in Kisii now have access to clean, reliable water
- Supports all operations at the Culinary and Agricultural Training Center
- Improves daily life, sanitation, and resilience in surrounding villages



# MENSTRUAL HEALTH AND EDUCATION INITIATIVE

Implemented in Uganda - Under Government Review for Expansion



GO Fund's first program selected for inclusion in a **national government-led study**, this initiative equips adolescent girls in Northern Uganda with menstrual health education, peer advocacy skills, and training in reusable pad production. Led by **Lutino Adunu**, the program helps reduce school absenteeism and improves health and dignity for girls in underserved communities.

The study will assess the impact of menstrual health education and reusable pads on school attendance and health outcomes, and will be **used to inform national policy and programming.**

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **6,000+ participants** (girls, youth, teachers, and parents) trained across four districts and one city in Northern Uganda.
- **Monitored by the World Bank** for potential scale-up as a national model for menstrual health education and access.





# TABLE BANKING

Implemented with Dupoto Africa in Kenya and AYD in Ghana

GO Fund's Table Banking program **equips women with financial literacy** and the tools to grow savings through structured, community-led savings groups. **Locally implemented** in Kenya and Ghana, the program is designed for long-term sustainability and cultural relevance. In Kenya, it supports Maasai women in rural areas; in Ghana, it operates across five communities.

These trusted groups **help women pool savings, access low-interest loans, and invest in small businesses.** The program also integrates education on FGM, gender-based violence, and early marriage, creating a holistic approach that strengthens women's economic resilience and social advocacy.



## 2024 IMPACT

- **201 women** participating in active savings groups across five communities in Ghana
- **67 women** trained in Kenya in budgeting and table banking principles
- Women report increased confidence and financial independence through group savings



# SEW FOR SISTERHOOD

Implemented by local partner KMTC-DIASPORA



Sew for Sisterhood is **a vocational and advocacy initiative** empowering women and girls in the Maasai community of Kilgoris, Kenya, and Ghana. Through sewing, batik, and rights education, the program equips women with marketable skills and a path to financial independence. In 2024, it **graduated its first certified cohort** and **expanded to a larger facility**, now training **50 young women annually**.

The program also offers safe spaces where women participate in support group discussions and engage with community leaders. These sessions address **FGM, early marriage, and gender-based violence**.

## 2024 IMPACT

- **130 women** trained in Ghana & **30 women** trained in Kenya
- **50 sewing kits distributed** and products sold locally and abroad
- 4-day empowerment workshop in Kilgoris, covering **featured on local news**



## LONG-TERM IMPACT

Adjoa, an early Sew for Sisterhood participant, used her skills to **open a sewing shop** and now trains other young women. Her journey illustrates how **the program fosters entrepreneurship and local leadership**.



# GIFT A GOAT

Implemented in partnership with Duputo africa

The Gift a Goat program operates in both Ghana and Kenya, where women are trained and gifted goats as a **pathway to building long-term wealth**. Owning and raising livestock provides not just income, but food security and the foundation for economic independence. After **20 years**, GO Fund is proud that some original beneficiaries are still raising goats. **Each woman who receives a goat commits to passing on the first offspring to another woman**—creating a ripple effect of community resilience that spans generations.



## 2024 IMPACT

- **32 goats** distributed to women across target communities
- **100% of recipients reinvested income** into household needs or small businesses

## JANE'S STORY

Jane Matangori, **one of the first women to receive goats nearly 20 years ago**, built lasting wealth. With that gift, she purchased land, put her children through higher education & established a sustainable livelihood.



# WASHROOMS PROJECT

Sponsored by Georgia-Pacific

In Kisii, Kenya, GO Fund partnered with Georgia-Pacific to **install sanitation and water systems** at Pathfinder School and Gianchere Special School for the Hearing Impaired. At Gianchere, students with disabilities gained access to clean water, showers, and toilets for the first time. Pathfinder School received new, private washrooms to support a safe learning environment for girls. During a recent site visit, additional GO Fund donations also made it possible to provide new uniforms for students in need.

## 2024 IMPACT

- Girls' facilities were prioritized first—a **culturally significant step** toward gender equity
- Project **benefits over 275 students**, including adolescent girls and children with disabilities
- Improvements support school attendance, comfort, and learning environment



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# MATERNAL HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER

FUNDED BY THE DAVIE FAMILY FOUNDATION - OPERATED BY THE GHANAIAI GOVERNMENT

Opened in November 2024, the Maternal Health and Wellness Center in Gyabankrom, Ghana serves as a vital resource **for expectant mothers across 7-8 nearby communities**. With space for 8-10 women at a time, the center offers safe, clean, and dignified maternal care. Built with funding from the Davie Family Foundation, the center **now operates under the Ghanaian government**, with continued support from the Foundation for essential supplies and maintenance.



## 2024 IMPACT

- **13 babies** delivered safely in the first six months of opening
- **3,000 residents served** by the center
- Fully transitioned to **government management** and funding

## LOOKING AHEAD

The Davie Family Foundation will continue to fill critical gaps, including their recent donation of the **district's first two incubators** for premature babies.

# HOME FOR HOPE & PATHFINDER SCHOOL RENOVATIONS

For over two decades, GO Fund has maintained a strong partnership with **Alliance for Youth Development (AYD)** in Ghana, working together to transform children's lives through education, care, and critical infrastructure. GO Fund was a **founding donor** that provided the funds needed to establish two key institutions.

**Home for Hope**, founded in 2014, offers housing and care for **25 vulnerable children** who have experienced abandonment or hardship. Renovations in 2024 included structural upgrades, improved sanitation, and expanded dormitory space — ensuring a safer, nurturing environment.

**Pathfinder School**, founded in 2012, provides free primary education to over **275 students**, many of whom cannot afford government schooling. Renovations included expanded classrooms, upgraded water and sanitation systems, and infrastructure improvements.



## 2024 IMPACT

- **25 children** currently living in a newly renovated Home for Hope
- **30 new students enrolled** at Pathfinder School in 2024, bringing total enrollment to 276





# THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

We are incredibly grateful to our donors and partners who made this impact possible. Your support fuels education, financial independence, and sustainable development in African communities. Because of you, women and children are building brighter, more secure futures. Thank you for being part of this movement.

## FEATURED DONORS



**Want to join our circle of  
supporters?**

**Become a monthly donor or  
give through a Donor-Advised  
Fund (DAF).**





# OUR TEAM AND LOCAL PARTNERS

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Behind GO Fund's programs are dedicated leaders who have spent decades partnering with communities to create sustainable change.

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## **SARAH DAVIE**

**Founder,**

**Executive Director**

Founder of GO Fund, with over 20 years of international development experience in Africa.

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## **ANAIS PIERCE**

**Project Management,  
U.S.**

Long-standing partner and board member, working closely with GO Fund's leadership and field teams since 2021.

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## **ELVIS DONKOH**

**Director of Projects,  
Ghana**

Heads AYD (partner since 2005), driving educational access and Home for Hope & Pathfinder School.

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## **NAHASHON OGUTU**

**Director of Projects,  
Kenya**

Leads local partner KMTC-DIASPORA (partner since 2005), overseeing the Culinary Center.

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## **SHILLA ADYERO**

**Director of Projects,  
Uganda**

Leads Lutino Adunu (partner since 2015), advancing menstrual health and vocational training programs.

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## **STELLA MONYANGI**

**Coordinator, Kenya,  
Dupoto**

Supporting Sew for Sisterhood (partner since 2015), focusing on gender equity in the Maasai community.

# LOOKING FORWARD

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## MONITORING & EVALUATION

In the year ahead, we're strengthening our Monitoring & Evaluation strategy. This includes more consistent data collection and reflection with our partners to ensure we're not just delivering programs—but generating lasting impact. Learning will be built into how we plan, implement, and improve.

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## NEW PROGRAMS ON THE HORIZON

### 1. Women's Farming & Financial Growth in Uganda

We aim to support 150 women farmers to increase their yields and establish cooperative farming models—improving food security and household income.

### 2. Financial Literacy Expansion in Kenya and Ghana

We will train over 500 women in business and financial skills—helping them manage their income and reinvest in their families and communities.

### 3. Sew for Sisterhood Mentorship & Crisis Support

We will train 120 women mentors from our 15-year Sew for Sisterhood program to support at-risk women and girls—offering mentorship, crisis support, and pathways to independence.

**If you're interested in supporting our programs,  
we'd love to connect.**





# THANK YOU



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