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REFUGEE EDUCATION: DEVELOPMENT THROUGH PEOPLE

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AT A GLANCE

- Windle International Uganda (WIU) is an international NGO that has been operating in Uganda since 1996 with the primary mission of promoting peace and development in communities through provision and coordination of education and training opportunities for refugees and people affected by conflict. With headquarters in the United Kingdom, WIU is part of a larger Windle Family currently operating in Kenya, South-Sudan & Sudan with presence in Somalia and Rwanda underway.
- As a leader of education for refugees and host community in Uganda, WIU works with several partners including Government of Uganda, UNHCR and the Federal Republic of Germany among others to provide access to quality, relevant & inclusive education involving establishing and managing schools (hiring teachers, constructing schools, providing and distributing instructional and scholastic materials, quality assurance, supervision).
- With support from the Federal Republic of Germany through UNHCR, WIU implements the DAFI programme in Uganda through which it provides access to quality higher education for refugees. Currently 446 learners, 50% of whom are female, study in several universities in Uganda.
- WIU interventions target all categories of refugee children including those with special needs. Currently 381 Persons with Special Needs are accessing quality education in different specialised institutions within Uganda.
- Working with our partners, WIU also focuses on innovations that enhance access to quality higher learning such as; Vocationalisation of Secondary education where learners acquire vocational skills within the secondary education cycle.
- In-service Teacher Training where WIU works with Teacher Training colleges to train refugees to qualify as teachers during school holiday while during school term these serve as Teaching Assistants, online higher education an approach WIU is currently piloting where refugees study online within the refugee settlements.
- Additionally, through its vocational training centres as well as partnerships with other Vocational training institutions WIU provides market-oriented skills training for youth in the refugee settlements.
- Additionally, WIU also provides computer skills training as well as talent development in the field of sports, music dance and drama especially for Youth in the refugee settlements that are out of school.

CORE OBJECTIVES

- Ensure access to safe, relevant, inclusive and quality primary and secondary Education.
- Promote Higher Education as well as market-oriented skills development and training.
- Support research on Education policy and practice.

ACHIEVEMENTS SO FAR

- 897 students supported to access quality higher education between 2014 to date in Uganda.
- 292 schools established and managed with 2062 teachers hired and remunerated in Uganda.

LESSONS LEARNT

- Higher Education is still the least funded level of education
- Host communities are open to interventions that benefit them as well
- Partnerships is key to Refugee Intervention success

FURTHER INFO

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