

SURVIVAL

Help moms and babies in Rubongi, Uganda, survive—and thrive!



Funding required

\$19,115

Child development centre

UG0590

This initiative will help:

15 moms and their babies

The most vulnerable people in the world are babies.

Of the 5.2 million children who die around the world each year, **75 per cent die in the first year of life.** Babies are at risk of death due to premature birth complications, complications during childbirth, infections, pneumonia and diarrhea.

But this is preventable. With training and support, **moms in poverty can be empowered to raise healthy and happy babies.**

How does Compassion help moms and babies survive?

Critical care

Your support helps secure access to pre- and postnatal care, skilled birth attendants and medical intervention when necessary.

Home-based care

Mothers are visited in their homes monthly by a Survival specialist, who offers education in prenatal care and early child-rearing as well as one-on-one biblical mentoring.

Group-based learning

At these church-based activities, moms learn skills to earn an income and gain vital knowledge including basic literacy, the importance of breastfeeding and how to prevent malnutrition and disease. These groups combat isolation through a supportive community of mothers who, together, learn about the God who loves them.



Survival in Korobudi, Uganda

- ▶ Average age of first-time mothers 17
- ▶ Average number of children in household 5
- ▶ Births attended by skilled health personnel 70%
- ▶ Number of infant deaths per 1,000 births 30
- ▶ Stunted growth from malnutrition 23%

Your gift will provide...

Here are some of the specific activities our church partner in Rubongi has planned:

Physical activities

We will provide mothers and babies with nourishing food, immunizations, health screenings and medical treatments when needed. Babies will attend regular growth monitoring appointments to track their development. Staff will teach moms lessons on topics such as oral rehydration, the importance of breastfeeding and hygiene. Babies will receive age-appropriate play items to help their physical development.

Cognitive activities

Mothers will have the opportunity to attend adult literacy classes and skills development workshops. Staff will teach moms the importance of talking to and interacting with their babies to help their cognitive development.

Socio-emotional activities

Staff will visit mothers and their families at home to offer personalized care, support and necessities. Mothers will learn healthy parenting techniques during group workshops and home visits. Moms will also learn to develop healthy relationships with their children and their peers.

Spiritual activities

We will support spiritual development by providing caregivers with Bibles and through fellowship programs and spiritual counselling. Staff will share Biblical lessons with parents and their children.

Parent and family activities

Mothers will attend income generation classes to build their skills and improve their economic independence.

With your help, we can give babies born into poverty the essential care they need, help their mothers properly care for them during the critical prenatal months and first year of life, and set them on the path to a fulfilled life in Jesus Christ.