



## BACKGROUND

**R**escue Widows, Elderly, Youth and Orphans With AIDS (RWEYOWA) was founded in 2003. After registering as a community-based organization (CBO) in 2006, it then became a non-governmental organization (NGO) in 2009. We rebranded to Rescue Community Foundation Uganda (RECOFU) in 2018.

Seven committed volunteers involved in the door-to-door housing and population census of 2002 established RECOFU after realizing the need to respond to HIV/AIDS and its devastating effects in the community.

RECOFU is an NGO dedicated to activities and campaigns designed to reduce the further spread of HIV/AIDS and improve the livelihood of those affected/infected with HIV/AIDS in the community.

RECOFU's core strength is its excellent understanding of the community it serves and its practical approach of finding solutions to problems within the community. This strength is derived from the fact that many of its staff members themselves come from the same vulnerable groups that RECOFU targets.

## MISSION STATEMENT

RECOFU exists to develop, promote and provide access to health, education and sustainable income-generation opportunities for community members.

## OBJECTIVES:

- To ensure good health and well-being for people of all ages in the community
- To advocate for the rights and protection of vulnerable people, especially children and women
- To empower vulnerable people especially women and young people to actively participate in socioeconomic activities
- To promote cooperation and coordination through mobilization, partnership and the sharing of information and expertise with other organizations in the struggle to improve the quality of life of the people in the community

## CORE PROGRAMMES

- Comprehensive HIV/AIDS sensitization in primary, secondary, and higher education institutions
- Voluntary counseling and testing for HIV
- Condom promotion and supply amongst the wider community
- Community outreach services that give care and support to vulnerable people affected/infected with HIV/AIDS.
- Orphan support and sponsorship, providing access to education and ensuring they are fed and clothed

## ENVISIONED ACTIVITIES

- Expand the FEED Programme to facilitate the economic independence of more vulnerable families under RECOFU community outreach program.
- Extend our Community Sensitization Programme to target women's groups, providing comprehensive sensitization of the risks of both sexual and mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS, as well as advice for childcare and healthy living.
- Establish RECOFU Community Health Centre that will provide free health/medical services to our clients

## OPERATIONAL PRINCIPLES

- Practical involvement and participation of beneficiaries in the identification of key areas of operation and possible solutions in tackling issues associated with HIV/AIDS
- Non-political and non-partisan operating environment
- Non-discrimination, confidentiality, adaptation, responsibility and partnership

## ORGANISATION STRUCTURE

RECOFU is a non-governmental organization with a Board of Directors consisting of five members, including the Executive Director. The executive committee is made up of seven members and the majority of RECOFU staff are volunteers.

The Executive Director oversees and works hand in hand with RECOFU staff to carry out many of the organization's activities. In turn, the Board of Directors oversees the Executive Director. A small staff leads to quick decision making and action.



*RECOFU reaching out to a needy orphan through its Community Outreach Program*



*RECOFU conducting voluntary counseling and testing for HIV within the community*

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*Some of RECOFU's Staff Members*