



2025 Annual Report

Renewed Hope Charitable Foundation



Renewing Hope for Zimbabwe's Orphans

Carrying Forward a Legacy of Hope

Renewed Hope Charitable Foundation (RHCF) supports orphaned and vulnerable children in rural Zimbabwe through our partnership with Heather Chimhoga Orphan Care (HCOC). Through this partnership, donor contributions help meet children's essential needs and create opportunities for a brighter, more promising future.

RHCF funding helps improve critical areas of care, including:

- Nutrition
- Health
- Education
- Habitation
- Projects that promote long-term self-sustainability

From humble beginnings in 2001, serving just a few children, HCOC has grown to care for **nearly 700 orphaned and vulnerable children**, providing consistent support, education, and stability.

RHCF is a registered **501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in the United States**. Our board members serve entirely as volunteers, with no paid salaries on the U.S. side, ensuring that the majority of donations directly support programs benefiting children in Zimbabwe.

Our structure also enables participation in corporate gift-matching programs and partnerships with community and philanthropic organizations. Since its founding, RHCF has collaborated with local Rotary Clubs and Rotary International to secure grants that fund impactful projects and strengthen the communities we serve.

Together with our partners, donors, and volunteers, we remain committed to **carrying forward a legacy of hope**—ensuring every child has the opportunity to grow, learn, and thrive.



RHCF Founders - Ralph & Roberta Pippitt



Clean Water

Message from the Chair -

Carrying Forward a Legacy of Hope

The founders of Renewed Hope Charitable Foundation, Ralph and Roberta Pippitt, made their first trip to rural Zimbabwe in March of 1997. Their original goal was simple but vital: raise funds to drill a well that would provide clean water to a rural community. Yet the fundraising effort was slow in the beginning, and the financial resources needed seemed uncertain.

In her book *Hope for Zimbabwe Orphans*, Roberta recalls a moment of prayer during that time: “God, it is in Your hands. We are willing to go and do the work, but You must provide the funds. We just aren’t fundraisers.” Soon after that prayer, the funds began to arrive—often from individuals Ralph and Roberta had never personally spoken with about their plans. Although Roberta sometimes wondered how these donors had learned about the mission, she remained certain that God had provided the resources needed to drill that first well. Her book, *Hope for Zimbabwe Orphans*, is available through the RHCF website (renewed-hope.org).

Roberta’s faith and certainty never wavered, and the inspiring legacy of Ralph and Roberta continues today. We are grateful that Roberta is still able to share in the ongoing work of the foundation, offering wisdom, encouragement, and prayer as the mission continues to grow.

In the early years, the mission focused primarily on drilling wells and improving building infrastructure, constructing teacher housing, strengthening school buildings, and ensuring communities had access to clean water. However, just as Ralph and Roberta thought their mission might be complete, they discovered scores of orphaned children with no means to pay school fees and no assurance of even a single meal each day. The children were starving and in desperate need of help. That discovery changed everything.

The focus of the mission shifted toward caring directly for these vulnerable children. Feeding centers were established for orphaned students attending school. School fees were paid so children could continue their education. Projects were developed to support long-term sustainability for the communities being served.

At first, Roberta struggled to understand what appeared to be a lack of support from families and local communities for the orphaned children. Over time, it became clear that the local people were simply focused on day-to-day survival. But when leadership, compassion, and practical support were modeled, something remarkable happened. Communities began to respond with care and responsibility for their children, and that transformation continues to be visible today.

A recent example occurred in 2025 when three young sisters were abandoned by their parent. The oldest sister saw the HCOC van and courageously reached out for help. The community quickly rallied around these girls. A termite mound beside their home was removed, their roof was repaired, and a secure door was installed. Beds and food supplies were delivered, and the girls’ school fees were paid through HCOC.

Today, these girls are attending school and living in a safer environment. They now have consistent meals and the hope of a future that is both secure and filled with possibility.

Stories like this are only possible because of the faithful support of donors, volunteers, and partners who believe in the mission of Renewed Hope Charitable Foundation. Their generosity continues the legacy Ralph and Roberta began nearly three decades ago, bringing hope, nourishment, education, and faith to children who need it most.

Thank you for walking alongside us in this journey. Together, we continue to **carry forward a legacy of hope** to the children of Zimbabwe.

With profound gratitude,

Susan Jones

Renewed Hope Charitable Foundation

2025 Journey To HCOC RHCF Board Member – Jackie Logan

In May of 2025, I returned to Zimbabwe with ZMP Board Member Deanna Heyn. As she described it, the journey was more than just a trip—it was a pilgrimage to places where God’s presence felt especially near, what some call “thin places.”

During our time, we reviewed the Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVCs) data reports along with HCOC financial reports. HCOC categorizes OVCs into two primary groups: those receiving direct services and those benefiting indirectly. • Direct services refer to children receiving three or more core HCOC services, such as educational support, feeding center access, and medical care. • Indirect services include children who may receive only one or two services, such as feeding center meals, while being supported primarily through other government programs.



One of the most meaningful parts of the visit was the opportunity to get out into the community and conduct home visits. We were blessed to visit 13 families across seven villages, all of whom are supported by HCOC. These visits were both deeply encouraging and, at times, heartbreaking. While HCOC’s interventions are clearly making a difference, the conditions many of these children live in remain incredibly challenging. Each child’s situation is carefully assessed by HCOC staff in collaboration with community caregivers, and interventions are tailored to meet their specific needs.

We also visited the three feeding centers as they prepared to convert from open wood burning stoves to gas stoves. During that time, a community meeting was held in the furthest catchment area of Matenha, where it was determined that HCOC together with the community would proceed with opening a 4th feeding center at the school in Matenha. Witnessing the community coming together to work alongside HCOC was very powerful and heartwarming.

“Even the sparrow has found a home... a nest for herself.” - Psalm 84:3 After nine years of visioning, planning, and perseverance, The Nest Clinic is officially registered. What began as a dream has become a reality—one that exceeds our earliest expectations. This clinic, designed with excellence and compassion at its core, stands as a one-of-a-kind pediatric facility in Zimbabwe’s rural landscape. While the primary focus will be on the 600+ orphans and vulnerable children (OVCs) registered with HCOC, the Nest Clinic is poised to serve a wider community of 21 villages. The Nest Clinic will take non-critical adults to other local clinics, ensuring its resources are reserved for children and youth—the most vulnerable and underserved. • Mission: To provide specialist health care services to help every child live the healthiest life possible. • Vision (by 2030): To be a center of excellence in the provision of specialist health care to children and youth.

With so much to report in a small space of words, rest assured that I witnessed the great work being done by HCOC with support through RHCF. From so many children attending school and boarding school to those who qualify for higher education. And not just one or two children having a bible, but villages of children and adults, waving their bibles at us. These visions will stay with me long into the next year.



The Nest Clinic – “Where Every Little Smile Matters”

The Nest Clinic is a child-friendly outpatient facility that provides a safe and nurturing environment where children feel seen, heard, and protected while receiving quality medical care. The clinic was officially registered in 2025!

In 2025, the clinic served **2,081 children** and provided services such as HIV/AIDS programs, home visits, sanitary wear distribution, sexual and reproductive health education, ambulance services, and other essential community health support.

Vital Statistics (as of Dec 31, 2025)

The following achievements, reflect the reach and effectiveness of our programs:

- ◆ 671 children received support from HCOC
- ◆ 602 children received one hot meal five times per week
- ◆ 216 children received food supplies during the annual Christmas party
- ◆ 53 children received winter blankets and 213 received clothing
- ◆ HCOC paid tuition and school fees for 155 students, including: 9 university and 9 boarding students
- ◆ Designated funds were provided to purchase two new motorbikes, improving the HCOC team’s ability to reach and support children in remote areas



Our Path Forward

In 2025, a member of HCOC’s management team completed specialized training in Trauma-Informed Care, strengthening their ability to better understand and support children who have experienced trauma. This valuable training will help guide the development of thoughtful strategies that can be implemented at HCOC.

These efforts represent just one example of the many positive developments taking place at HCOC. With the continued support of RHCF, they are able to expand their impact and carry forward a legacy of hope to the children and families they serve. We are deeply grateful for the partnership, generosity, and commitment that make this work possible.

Thank you for being part of this journey. To learn how you can provide support for these children, please visit our website at <https://www.renewed-hope.org>.