

HEALTHCARE FOR ALL

Kwa Mkono Polio Hostel, Tanzania

Rehabilitation for children with polio and other conditions.

Researcher's statement

'Kwa Mkono is an example of how a little can go a very long way. Over the past 40 years it has given a future to many children in desperate need.'

Stephanie Mooney, Link Officer for Africa and the Indian Ocean



Tanzania factfile

Capital: Dodoma (official), Dar es Salaam (Commercial)
Languages: English or Swahili
Religion: Christianity and Islam
Population: 43.7million
Life Expectancy: 55 years men, 56 years, women
Export: Sisal, cloves, coffee, cashew nuts, minerals, tobacco

Further reading:
www.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tanzania

USPG in Tanzania

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Half the population in Tanzania is living below the World Bank's poverty line and health services in the country are severely under-resourced. Since 1962, Kwa Mkono Polio Hostel has been helping children with polio, many of them from very poor backgrounds.

The Kwa Mkono Polio Hostel takes in children with physical disabilities and arranges for corrective surgery and ongoing therapy at St Francis' Hospital. The children are fitted with callipers, given crutches and taught to walk.

The reduction of children now contracting polio has resulted in the hostel having the means to support children with other debilitating conditions, such as cerebral palsy.

As well as providing children with the healthcare they need, the hostel seeks to provide an education with a view to helping them into employment. As a result, the hostel has seen residents become teachers, shoemakers, carpenters and tailors.

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