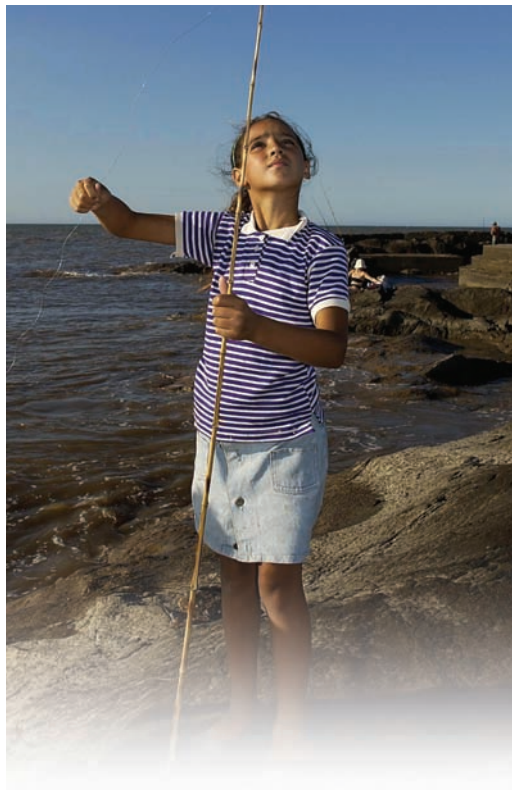


Our Results for Children



The FXB-Villages are an effective and lasting solution for children and families threatened by poverty and AIDS. According to an independent evaluation:

- ✓ Children in the FXB-Villages enroll, remain, and advance in school at higher rates than their peers.
- ✓ Over 85% of participating families progress from extreme poverty to self-sufficiency within three years and maintain self-sufficiency thereafter.

The success of the FXB-Villages is by no means limited to program participants. FXB's presence directly benefits entire communities through new sources of clean water, improved sanitation, health education, flourishing local markets, and shared wellbeing.

For approximately \$150 per person per year, FXB brings stability and self-sufficiency to impoverished households. Through this small investment, we can profoundly improve the lives of children and communities hit hardest by poverty and AIDS.

Please join us. Visit our website or give us a call to learn about ways you can help.



Angela, Rwanda

With no steady income, Angela, a widow, struggled to feed her two children and the seven orphans she had taken into her home. In 2007, FXB enrolled the family in the FXB-Village program. The family immediately received necessary health care, and then Angela started two small business ventures, selling soft drinks and weaving colorful mats. To manage her improved income, FXB helped Angela open a savings account.

All nine children now attend school on a regular basis for the first time in their lives, and Angela was even able to pay for a daughter's extra tutoring. Two of her eldest now attend university, and Angela looks forward to sending the younger children to university as well. Angela says that she has no apprehension about her future after the FXB-Village ends because she is now ready for life's challenges.

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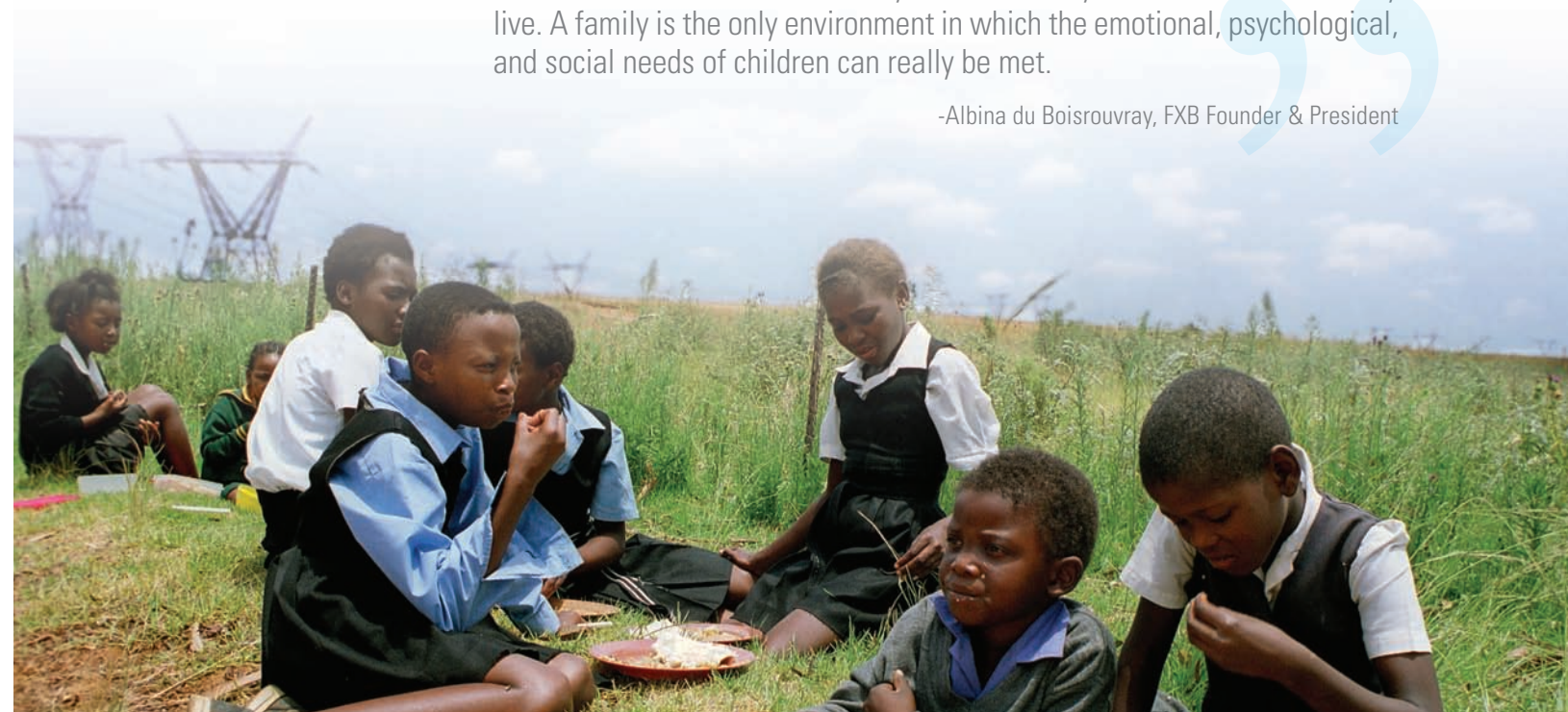
FXB is an international humanitarian organization dedicated to supporting children and families hit hardest by poverty and AIDS. FXB works alongside the communities we serve to improve local health, education, and economic opportunity. We are committed to ensuring that all progress is sustainable and lasting.

FXB was founded in 1989 with the aim of helping the millions of orphaned, infected, and vulnerable children left in the wake of the emerging AIDS pandemic. Now decades later, the pandemic persists and the number of affected children continues to increase amidst deepening global poverty. Without proper support and care, these children are more likely to drop out of school, to be malnourished, to face exploitation and abuse, and to contract HIV themselves.

FXB believes that the best solution for helping these children is to strengthen the social and economic capacities of their families and communities. Empowered with the right tools and resources, caregivers are better able to meet children's needs and provide stability in the long-term.

There should be no doubt that the best environment for children is with a nurturing family and in their home community. Residential institutions isolate children from the society in which they will have to eventually live. A family is the only environment in which the emotional, psychological, and social needs of children can really be met.

-Albina du Boisrouvray, FXB Founder & President



Investing in Children. Empowering Families. Strengthening Communities.

The FXB-Villages

In the early 1990s, FXB pioneered an initiative in Uganda and Rwanda, two countries devastated by war, poverty, and AIDS. FXB recognized that these situations presented challenges to helping children and were beyond any simple answer. Why send children to school if they are too hungry to learn? How can children be tested and treated for HIV if local medical care is nonexistent? How can cycles of transmission and infection be broken when extreme poverty inhibits real progress?

To counter these dilemmas and respond to the growing crisis of AIDS-affected children, FXB developed a sustainable, community-based solution: the FXB-Villages. Each FXB-Village provides needy children and their families with a comprehensive and integrated package of services and support. Program participants receive invaluable training and tools to achieve improved health and lasting socio-economic independence. **Unlike piecemeal charity, the FXB-Villages are an investment in the long-term strength and wellbeing of families and communities.**

Current research findings about how to effectively support AIDS-affected children support the FXB-Village strategy, including:

- ✓ Family care is best for orphaned and vulnerable children
- ✓ Families need support and services, such as healthcare, education, and social protection
- ✓ When HIV positive parents receive treatment, they are able to better care for their children and children enjoy greater opportunities
- ✓ Children are better supported by supporting entire communities

The FXB-Villages are founded on the belief that the best way to help orphans and vulnerable children is to empower their families and communities to escape poverty permanently. Approximately 90 percent of children orphaned by AIDS live with extended and foster families (not in orphanages), and **FXB champions family-based care for these children as the best way to help them achieve their full potential.**

Each FXB-Village supports 80 to 100 families, comprised of approximately 500 individuals, mostly children. FXB has launched over 70 Villages in **Rwanda, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Burundi, China, Thailand, Colombia, and India**, with plans to expand further in Africa, South America, and Asia.

The program is designed for participants to reach autonomy within three years. Each FXB-Village costs approximately \$225,000, varying by country. **FXB's financial input is scaled down each year as participants increasingly contribute to their families' school and medical costs, taking an active role in building lives of greater stability and self-sufficiency.**

YEAR 3

Achieve Stability and Autonomy

FXB Contribution: 50%
Participant Contribution: 50%

YEAR 2

Build Skills, Knowledge, and Abilities

FXB Contribution: 75%
Participant Contribution: 25%

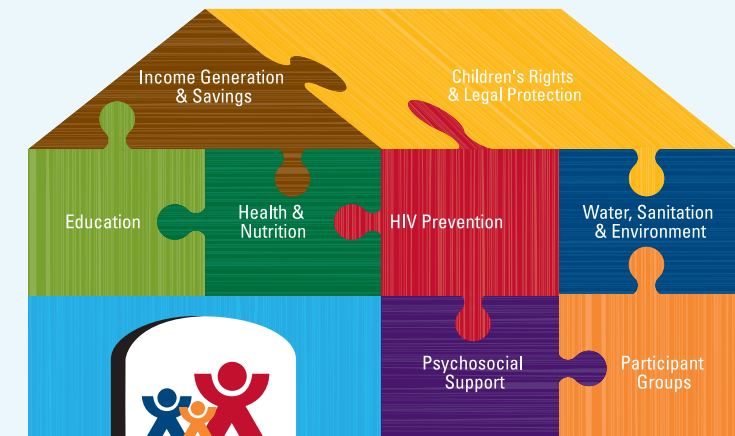
YEAR 1

Establish Healthy Foundation

FXB Contribution: 100%
Participant Contribution: 0%

FXB-Village Components

There are eight integrated components to the FXB-Village, each invaluable to children's long-term wellbeing:



Health & Nutrition

The FXB-Villages provide participants with access to medical care, health services, and treatment for HIV and AIDS, often through partnerships with local facilities and hospitals. At the start of the program, FXB provides participants with locally produced food, nutritional education, and seedlings to start home gardens. Each Village is staffed with a nurse who monitors the general health of participants, including HIV treatment adherence.



Income Generation & Savings

FXB guides Village participants in the selection and development of their income generating ventures to ensure long-term economic sustainability. FXB fully finances seed capital for participants to start small businesses or enterprises of their choice, such as animal husbandry and shop-keeping. Participants also receive training to build financial literacy, including an introduction to bookkeeping, micro-credit, and bank accounts.



Education

FXB enrolls all school-aged children in school and pays for the fees and necessary supplies. The FXB-Village staff works with teachers to ensure students' attendance and progress. Out-of-school young people are given the option to attend vocational training to learn marketable skills, such as carpentry and tailoring.



HIV Prevention

The FXB-Villages organize HIV information and prevention workshops for program participants, community members, local leaders, teachers, schoolchildren, and adolescents. FXB also helps form youth "anti-AIDS clubs" and facilitates testing for HIV. In addition to HIV and AIDS, workshops provide information about general and reproductive health, including sexually transmitted infections.



Psychosocial Support

The majority of individuals in the FXB-Village have experienced traumas and loss, and many are living with HIV. To help restore esteem and feelings of self-worth, FXB provides psychosocial counseling with trained social workers. Counseling sessions are held for individuals, families, and groups, to discuss issues such as stigma and discrimination, domestic problems, and overcoming despair.



Water, Sanitation, & Environment

Too often a family's home and surrounding environment can be the source of health risks, especially for young children. FXB teaches participants about basic hygiene, distributes malaria nets, and helps build ventilated kitchens, latrines, and separate animal shelters. FXB also constructs wells for clean, potable water that are free and accessible to the entire community.



Participant Groups

FXB fosters participant groups that function as social and economic support networks. Members assist one another with domestic tasks, support each other during hardships, and join together to work on collective economic ventures. Through these networks, members' progress and achievements gained during the program are continued and reinforced in the long-term.



Children's Rights and Legal Protection

FXB organizes information sessions for participants and community members about children's rights and protection. In these workshops, FXB's local child protection officer discusses issues such as child abuse and the importance of legally recognizing marriages and children to ensure inheritance. FXB also assists individuals with legal processes, and handles reports of child abuse as appropriate.