



Friends of MVRC (UK)

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WHO? Masaka Vocational Rehabilitation Centre - MVRC - is in Masaka, Uganda, about 2 hours west of Kampala. MVRC provides training for young disabled people, 15-25. There are workshops in carpentry, metalwork, screenprinting/knitting, leatherwork and computer studies. All courses are residential and all students also learn agriculture, business skills and essential life skills.

MVRC Mission is "to bring out ability from disability for the economic and social integration of young people with disabilities"

Since MVRC started in 1999 over 390 disabled young people have been trained.

More information is available on their web site www.mvrc-msk.org



WHY? The funding MVRC receives from Masaka District Local Government (MDLG) is not enough to run the Centre. The shortfall is about 50m Ush pa (£17,800 / €20,000). MVRC generates income towards the shortfall by selling items made by students and letting its conference facilities, but business has changed and income has reduced. MVRC are taking steps to update and market their facilities and products but 2009 will be a very difficult year.

MVRC has many friends and supporters locally and in UK and Europe. In 2008 they formed Friends of MVRC in Uganda and Friends of MVRC(UK) in UK. 'Friends' task is to raise resources for MVRC.

In 2009 MVRC intend to train 50 disabled young people, more if more Trainers are recruited by MDLG.

FoMVRC will send a newsletter to all supporters by e-mail - please send Heather your details.

WHAT?

What will MVRC use donations for?

Monthly donations of

£30 will sponsor a student, covering food, medical and all their costs for the year

£22 will feed a student for the year

£10 will buy start-up tool kits for 7 students

£5 will feed one student for 60 days

£3.50 will buy training materials for one student

We also welcome one-off donations to replace tools and equipment, maintain buildings (several roofs leak!), maintain computers, meet graduation expenses, fumigate bats and more.

Target 2009
50,000,000 Ush
£17,800/€20,000

HOW?

Send a cheque payable or to "Friends of MVRC (UK)" to our Treasurer, Heather, her address is at the top.

Please send your name and e-mail so we can send you our newsletter

Use Internet banking to make a Standing Order / Regular Payment to Friends of MVRC(UK)

or Complete the Standing Order Form (attached) and send it to our Treasurer, Heather, above.

Friends of MVRC(UK) Bank details

Bank: Barclays
Branch: Croydon
Name: Friends of MVRC (UK)
Sort code: 20-24-64
Account number: 53423530
IBAN: GB17BARC20246453423530
SWIFTBIC: BARCGB22

Friends of MVRC is a UK Trust. Due to a change in Charity Rules we cannot register as a Charity until our funding is more than £5000 per year. We are working with UK Revenue to be granted GiftAid status to enable us to reclaim tax on UK donations.