



RESCUE WOMEN FOUNDATION

Mid-Year Impact Update

Rescue Women Foundation - Transforming Lives. Empowering Communities.



A Message of Hope & Progress

The first months of 2026 have been a remarkable reminder of what is possible when compassion is met with action. Thanks to the unwavering generosity of our donors, volunteers, partners, and friends, Rescue Women Foundation continues to provide life-changing care and opportunities for vulnerable mothers, babies, and families across Uganda.

From welcoming 12 healthy babies into the world and funding a life-saving heart surgery for one of our newborns, to expanding international partnerships, supporting girls through community outreach, and securing educational opportunities for mothers and children, every milestone reflects the power of a community united by hope and purpose.

Inside this Mid-Year Impact Update, you'll discover inspiring stories of resilience, generosity, and transformation made possible through your continued support. Together, we are creating brighter futures—one mother, one child, and one family at a time.

Thank you for being part of our journey.

Mothers & Babies: Our Impact

By the Numbers

PREGNANT & ADMITTED TO THE TEENAGE HOME	35
PREGNANT & PLACED IN FOSTER CARE	4
C-SECTION BIRTHS	11
NATURAL BIRTHS	2
BABIES BORN IN FOSTER CARE	4
BABIES LOST	0
MOTHERS LOST	1
TOTAL NUMBER OF BABIES BORN	13
CURRENT NUMBER OF PREGNANT MOMS	22
CURRENT NUMBER OF NURSING MOMS	18
CURRENT NUMBER OF BABIES	30



A mother's strength is often discovered in the moments she thought she couldn't go on.



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Babies Welcomed / January 1 - April 30, 2026

During the first four months of 2026, 12 healthy babies were welcomed into the Rescue Women Foundation family.

- **Seven** babies were born to mothers residing at the shelter, including five girls and two boys.
- Of these births, one was a natural delivery and **six** were delivered by cesarean section (C-section).
- An additional **five** babies were born to mothers participating in our foster care program within the community, including four girls and one boy.
- All five community-based mothers delivered via C-section.



We are deeply grateful to our generous friends and supporters whose contributions helped ensure these mothers received the medical care they needed for safe deliveries. Their kindness continues to make a life-changing difference for both mothers and their newborns.

A Life-Saving Heart Surgery

One of our newborns required emergency heart surgery shortly after birth due to a congenital heart condition. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, more than \$2,000 USD was raised to fund the life-saving procedure. We are delighted to report that the surgery was successful, and the baby is now healthy and thriving.



Spotlight on Success



SUCCESSFUL OPERATION OF OUR BABY BOY'S HERNIA

One of our baby boys recently underwent successful surgery to correct a congenital hernia. Thanks to timely medical intervention and the support of our generous community, the procedure was a success, and he is now recovering well. We are grateful to everyone who helped give him the healthy start he deserves.

RESCUED FROM EXPLOITATION, RESTORED WITH HOPE

Rescue Women Foundation recently welcomed two young expectant mothers from Nakasongola who were rescued from forced marriages following sexual abuse. Now in a safe and supportive environment, they are receiving shelter, healthcare, counseling, and the encouragement they need as they begin rebuilding their lives with dignity and hope.



Spotlight on Success

A GIFT THAT FEEDS MORE THAN HUNGER

A generous food donation from Church Builders help to provide essential groceries and household staples for the mothers and families in our care. These gifts help ensure that no family goes without nutritious meals while they focus on healing, learning, and building a brighter future. We are deeply grateful to everyone whose generosity continues to sustain our mission.



CELEBRATING NEW BEGINNINGS

Laughter, love, and hopeful hearts filled the room as we celebrated our expectant mothers with a special baby shower. While many have endured unimaginable hardship, this joyful gathering reminded each young woman that she is valued, supported, and never alone as she prepares to welcome her baby into the world..

BUILDING BRIDGES: MIRIAM'S VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES

In early 2026, our Founder and Executive Director, Miriam Nabasiye, traveled to the United States for a three-week visit, strengthening existing relationships, cultivating new partnerships, and sharing the mission of Rescue Women Foundation with communities in Seattle, Washington, and El Paso, Texas.

During her visit, Miriam:

- Met with the Mayor of El Paso, who expressed support for Rescue Women Foundation and pledged to contribute to the organization's work in the coming year.
- Connected with new friends and supporters, including two individuals who accepted invitations to join the Rescue Women Foundation Committee, expanding our leadership network.
- Received a generous donation of more than 100 sanitary pads, which were distributed to young girls in the Masaka community, helping promote dignity, health, and confidence.
- Showcased beautiful handcrafted items created by our young mothers, with proceeds funding a full year of tuition for seven mothers and two children.
- Coordinated the shipment of six suitcases of donated supplies to Uganda, including school bags, clothing, baby essentials, and other much-needed items for the families we serve.



Miriam's visit not only strengthened international partnerships but also inspired new opportunities to expand our impact and continue transforming the lives of vulnerable women and children.

Celebrating with Purpose: Miriam's Birthday Charity Campaign



This year, Miriam chose to celebrate her birthday by giving back to the community she loves. Thanks to the generosity of friends, family, and supporters, enough funds were raised to purchase 50 packs of reusable sanitary pads and 50 pairs of shoes for young girls in the Masaka community.

These gifts provide more than basic necessities—they help promote dignity, confidence, and continued access to education for girls in need. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed and helped make this initiative a meaningful success.



Project Kick-Off: Urban Farming



"Like every seed we plant, every woman we empower has the potential to flourish."

One of the most exciting additions to our vocational training program this year has been the launch of our Urban Farming Project. Designed to promote sustainability and self-sufficiency, the initiative gives young mothers the opportunity to learn practical farming techniques while contributing to the nutritional needs of the Foundation.

The joy on the faces of our residents during our very first harvest said it all. Proudly holding freshly picked leafy greens, they celebrated not only the fruits of their labor but also the confidence and skills they are gaining along the way. What began as a small garden has already become a symbol of resilience, hope, and new beginnings.

As the project continues to grow, so too will the opportunities it creates—providing fresh produce, hands-on vocational training, and a lasting reminder that with care, patience, and perseverance, even the smallest seeds can flourish into something extraordinary.



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A Transformational Gift from... the Bond Family



"Education plants the seeds of opportunity, confidence, and lasting change."

Through the efforts of committee member Maria, Rescue Women Foundation was honored to receive a \$25,000 USD grant from **Nathan and Anna Bond**.

This generous investment has had an immediate and lasting impact on the lives of the families we serve. \$5,000 of the grant was used to secure the Foundation's shelter by covering rent through December 2026, while the remaining \$20,000 provided a full year of tuition support for 51 individuals, including 25 young mothers and 26 children.

This extraordinary gift not only provided stability and educational opportunity but also renewed hope for families working toward a brighter future.

We are deeply grateful to Nathan and Anna Bond for their generosity and belief in our mission.



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Rescue Women Foundation Advocate Committee



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Advocate Committee



Sarah Potter

Sarah Potter is a Seattle native with over 25 years of experience in the technology industry. With 19 years of program management expertise across Gaming, Consumer Electronics, Telecommunications, and Education, she specializes in bringing together diverse individuals and cross-functional teams to assess organizational needs, develop strategic plans, identify and address gaps, and implement solutions that lead to program-wide success. Her superpowers are empathy, collaboration, and problem solving and strives to be the leader and the “glue” that holds a team together.

Co-founder and the President of the nonprofit African Rising Initiative, Sarah currently serves as the International Chairperson for Eco-Agric Uganda and Technical Administrator for Rescue Women Foundation Uganda.

Sarah’s leadership experience includes serving as Chair of the Stanford Black Alumni Association – Seattle Chapter and as a board member with the Technology Access Foundation. She is also an active volunteer and industry panelist with IGNITE Worldwide, and a frequent speaker at events throughout the Puget Sound region.

Sarah is deeply committed to expanding access to technology for women and youth in underserved communities. Having experienced what it’s like to be the only woman and/or person of color in the room, I’m passionate about creating inclusive, equitable spaces in tech and beyond.

In every professional setting, I bring a commitment to mentorship and outreach—supporting employee resource groups and providing one-on-one career guidance to help others navigate and thrive in their careers. I believe we all have the power to make a difference through consistent, everyday acts of kindness.

Advocate Committee

Alicia Alleyne, MBA, FRP-RP is an economic development professional and real estate broker with over 15 years experience in operations, redevelopment, community revitalization and development.

As the founder of Alleyne Consulting Group, she works at the intersection of community strategy, research, and municipal impact. She also brings prior instructional experience as an adjunct professor.

Alicia is a co-founder of *Three Peas and a Pod*, an initiative dedicated to maternal and infant wellness, early childhood education, and philanthropic partnerships. In addition Alicia currently serves as a Fort Lauderdale Community Development Corporation board member.

She is committed to identifying and advancing opportunities for women and families and is honored to serve as a committee member for Rescue Women Foundation.



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Advocate Committee

Diane L. lives in Olive Branch, Mississippi with her husband Jonathan and two children. She works in IT at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and spends her days balancing family life, church, books and soccer mom duties. Passionate about supporting young mothers and children, Diane is a proud advocate and sponsor for Rescue Women's Foundation.



Diane Long



Samantha Escalon

Samantha is a passionate individual who, like many of us, wants to see this world become a more harmonious place one ripple effect at a time. When she is not working as an attorney, she enjoys learning about humanity, traveling to new locations, and being of service wherever she is called.

Samantha currently lives in South Texas, a place where she has spent much of her childhood. She received her bachelor's degree in Sociology and law degree from Texas Tech University. However, she remains an active student in "Earth school".

Advocate Committee



Dr. Rachael Ann Riley is a best selling author, retired Federal law enforcement officer, a UA Army veteran and a transformative life coach.

With a Master's degree in Criminology, a Doctorate in Humanitarian Studies coupled with extensive experience working in the Federal Prison System, Dr. Riley brings a unique blend of clinical expertise and real-world application to her writings.

Dr. Rachael Ann Riley

A military veteran whose personal journey through divorce and single motherhood taught her the power of resilience, her memoir, "I Am Enough," has inspired countless readers to overcome their own challenges.

Dr. Riley's work extends beyond her literary achievements; as a life coach, she empowers her clients to achieve their fullest potential through tailored strategies that foster emotional well-being and personal growth. Her professional and personal life embodies the strength, determination, and compassion that she imparts to others, making her a guiding light for all who seek a path to recovery and self-fulfillment.

www.iamenoughmyjourney.com

Emergency Safe Delivery Fund

Many of the young mothers in our care are still teenagers, making pregnancy and childbirth especially high-risk. Throughout their pregnancies, Rescue Women Foundation provides prenatal care, counseling, education, and emotional support to help ensure the healthiest possible outcomes.

To meet urgent medical needs, we recently launched our Emergency Safe Delivery Fund, ensuring that mothers requiring emergency cesarean sections and other critical care receive immediate treatment when every moment matters. This fund also helps provide essential post-operative care, including medications, nutritious meals, and newborn supplies, giving both mother and baby the best possible start.

Together, we are ensuring that every mother has the opportunity for a safe delivery and every baby has a healthy beginning.

You Can Learn More and Help by Visiting:

www.rescuewomenfoundation.com

www.africanrisinginitiative.org

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Every contribution creates lasting change.

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