



**UNCESO**  
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Usakos Needy Children Support Organization

„Go green, the recycle of life!“

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## I. Greetings

As we approach the end of our third trimester and festive season is upon us, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you all for the support and donations. The year 2021 was a hard year not only for **UNCESO** but everyone with the COVID-19 pandemic. Firstly I want to thank our volunteers for their commitment and determination through this difficult times. The families and friends of volunteers who support us financially to achieve all in 2021 and make all the children happy with an early Christmas gift.

To permanent donators and supporter a special thank you for keeping the organization going, without your support we could not made such big changes. We also want to thank Fair Parken GmbH for their support to start a new project at **UNCESO** namely woodwork and teenage pregnancies. We also thank HONES STIFTUNG a permanent donor and Marion Wallek a former volunteer for the visit during this term.

**UNCESO** Team wish all a merry Christmas and a prosperous new year and may 2022 be a blessed year for us all.

Marianne and Ingrid



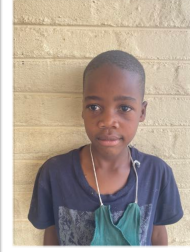
## 2. New Kids



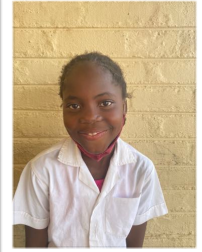
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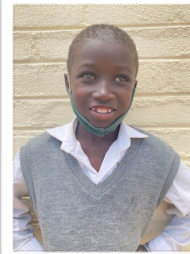
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Name: Audisha  
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Grade: 1



Name: Johannes  
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Name: Emmanuel  
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Name: Anton Joseph  
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Grade: 2



Name: Don  
Age: 12  
Grade 5



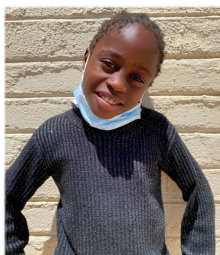
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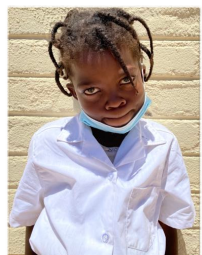
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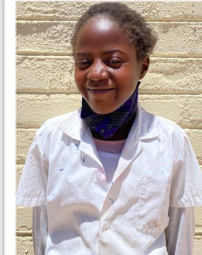
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Grade: 2



Name: Grace  
Age: 10  
Grade 2



Name: Amor  
Age: 9  
Grade 2



Name: Pasna  
Age: 10  
Grade 2

### 3. The Volunteers



Name: Lina  
Age: 18  
Studies: A-Levels  
Hobbies: Handball, Drawing  
Home: Laimnau(Bodensee),  
Germany



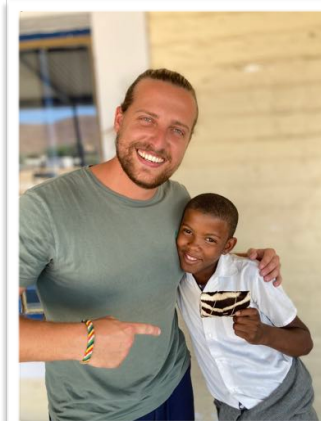
Name: Chiara  
Age: 19  
Studies: A-Levels  
Hobbies: Travelling,  
Reading  
Home: Knittelsheim,  
Germany



Name: Oli  
Age: 19  
Studies: A-Levels  
Hobbies: Taekwondo,  
Soccer  
Home: Luxemburg,  
Luxemburg



Name: Laura  
Age: 24  
Studies: M.Sc Education  
Hobbies: Dance, Theatre,  
Music  
Home: Crailsheim, Germany



Name: Jonas  
Age: 25  
Studies: B.Sc.  
Economics  
Hobbies: Sports,  
Cooking, Travelling  
Home: Crailsheim,  
Germany





## 4. The Greenhouse



Together with the team **UNCSO** and the whole **community** around Usakos we collected 1200 plastic bottles. The goal was cleaning the area, giving a wasted product a new value and of course that the kids can plant in the future!

The first step was cleaning the plastic bottles. We made stations from cutting, washing, cutting ropes for the line and brining them together. Each line is around 2.20m with 12 plastic bottles. We spend around **270m** ropes.



With a **foam** out of wood we made holes for the plastic bottle lines. For the top we used a 60% net. All in all the center has now a 3.60m x 3.00m Greenhouse!





## 4. Planting Week



What would a greenhouse be **without** plants?

There were still some plastic bottles left and so we decided to recycle them as well. From a plastic bottle, each center child created their own planter. But first we had to deal more with the topic "planting". **5 stations** accompanied the children during the activity time through the plant week. Different worksheets (Depending on age level) on planting help children learn more about planting. At the end, each child could name the cycle from the seed to the plants and the resources needed. To give our windows a little color we make flowers. With different materials we were able to create a window flooded with light and color.

**Finally**, the bottles had to be cut into the appropriate shape. Thus was created a saucer and planter. Very proud of our pots that we may plant in the next station. After that, the children were allowed to spray and paint their pots individually.







## 4. Painting Week



While the sun was not burning on our heads and the kids were in the school, the **UNCSO** Team painted the underground of the wall in different bright colors.



Our oldest kids, the **grade seven** took the brushes and rollers straight from our hands and painted their own wall.

It was important for all of us that the wall does not only look beautiful and playful but also **contains educational work**. Together we worked out the headings: "safe live", "this is us", "Health" and "ecosystem".



But that was not all we painted. We wanted every child to be immortalized on the wall and to have something very **individual**. That's why we decided to do animal hands with every kid. The children had a lot of fun painting their hands and then pressing them against the wall. We helped them turning hands into animals. Our design of the wall gives the outside area of our center more and more color and shape.





## 4. House Visits



The house visits took place in the end of October. They were a good opportunity for the volunteers of the **UNCSO** team to get a closer insight into the living conditions of the kids. One can say that the shacks were all built in a similar way: out of metal boards. But when it comes to the insides of the shacks, we noticed some differences. While some shags were rather empty and kept simple, others were really crammed and full of furniture, objects and it was hard to breathe because of the stuffy air. It is obvious that nearly none of them had electricity or running water. Also, bathrooms were exceptions. One of the biggest concerns we picked up were the **sleeping places** of the children. Some are just sleeping on the hard floor. Also, private retreat areas where the kids can have some privacy and time for themselves were not available. Another point where we noticed differences between the households were the jobs of the parents. Some did not work at all; others were the ones carrying whole families. One mother had a small bar, another one was a security woman, and another father was a baker.



The following includes a few pictures to clarify the conditions:



Cooking area



A well-organized Garden



The kitchen



## 4. House Visits



Even though the rent was not high, approximately **2-3€ per month**, some were struggling to pay their monthly rent and had big debts. A positive thing we picked up, was that there seemed to be a strong connection between the people in the location. Everybody was a little bit family with everybody. We did not meet anybody that was isolated from the rest from the village. Also, the children we met were happy to see us and waved towards us.



## 5. Teenage-moms Empowerment Event

During the Corona pandemic, many of our **young** people became pregnant. Unfortunately, the education of the young mothers suffers and with it the future perspective. „There is light at the end of the tunnel“-Marianne Izaaks. Because a pregnancy does not mean that the education must unfortunately under it. The event aims to unite young mothers in Usakos and show them the different perspectives for their future - **Together we are strong!** Young Mothers in need received a package of baby clothes from this year's donations. A buffet with coffee and cake invited the participants to get in touch and ask questions to the speakers. The main goal is to create a place in the center where young mothers can leave their children for the morning and then continue their education. A total of 50 young women participated in this event. Starting from part of the seventh grade to former **UNCSO** kids and more.







## 5. Christmas Event



An absolut highlight for us was our Christmas-Event. This year was very special, the event took place at the new **UNCESO** building, without the parents. It was just the kids, Marianne with her inner family, us volunteers, Kathrina and Petra, our kitchen hero's. We had just a few guests, our Bordmembers Pastor Simon, who was also our Santa Claus and prayed with the kids and his wife Ester, who helped in the kitchen and with the decoration. Our **Program was simple** but at the end we and the kids were happy and had much fun. To make it more interesting the **UNCESO** Team planed an Entrance card-hunt, where the kids need to solve different stations with exercises to get an entrance card for our party. The kids get also a welcome snack. After all the groups were finished with their stations we, the **UNCESO** Team and the kids dressed up nicely for the Christmas Ceremony. Before we ate



together on a big table we sang and prayed with Pater Simon. Once all the kids sat there with full bellies and empty plates they started with their **performance**. We learned with them in groups nice dances, which they presented in front of the others. When all the children received their presents after they danced, they ended up singing and they all got cupcakes and a piece of watermelon to their hand for the way

back home. Our Christmas party was full of joy, laugh and love. It was very special to see all the kids dressed up and at the end with a smile in their face.





## 6. Further Projects



**Mental Health Days** The **UNCSO** Team prepared different videos all about the topic assigned in the subtopics **depression, body consent, adhd and bullying**. It was very important to face this topic and to show the kids that it is normal to feel sometimes sad or angry. They do not have to be ashamed of talking about it.

**Mini-Olympics** The Volunteers prepared a one week of playing different games concerned the **Olympics**. Including can throwing, long jump and teamwork. The kids were split up in seven different teams. The **UNCSO** Team gave them the opportunity to win a small bag of sweets if they are under the top 3, also to give them a motivation boost. The week was joyful and succeeded.

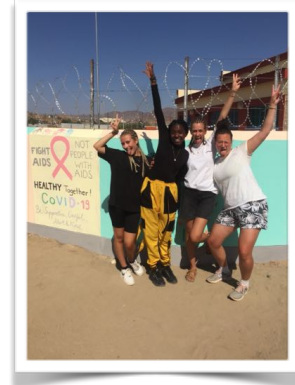
**Pockets** Like our slogan for this term „Go green, the recycle life!“ we created an added value out of old milk cans and made pockets. The kids were really motivated during this time and especially Shaun went further and decorated his pocket with a zebra looking.



**Hygiene Days** During the term it seemed that some center kids were not washing themselves continuously. With the help of the older kids we washed their **feet, finger and the hairs**. It was really nice to see that everyone helps each other with. For the boys we also shaved the hairs.



**Visits** Our first Visitor this term was **Elsie**, a former center kid which is now studying in Switzerland. She is an idol for the current kids and helped the volunteers through the hole week! Next the **HONES Stiftung**, a permanent donor visited the center. We had a wonderful time, the kids were singing and got some sweets. Last but not least a former volunteer **Marion Wallek** visited the Organization. While the current volunteers were on holiday she helped the hole day in the center.



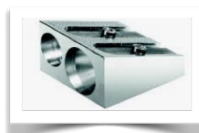


## 7. Wish List



### Arts and Crafts Material

- Pens, Pencils
- Sharpeners
- Paper / Photopaper
- Glue / hot Glue
- Scissors
- Schoolbags



### Pharmazie

- Vitamin C pills
- Headache pills
- Medicine for flue and stomach pain

### Other stuff

- vegetable seeds
- board games
- learning English books

## 7. Donation Appeal

In order to be able to purchase the materials listed above locally, recurring donations, although smaller amounts, are vital for the survival of the center, as only regular donations make it possible to plan for the future and future investments. However, many of the above mentioned materials do not have to be new and are a great support for the center even when used, so sending materials, old (but still working) equipment or used clothes is also a great support for the center. Especially the handicraft projects (which require the most materials) are a great pleasure for the children. The opportunity to live out their artistic talents offers many of the children an opportunity to let their creativity run free, which also increases their motivation for other school achievements.







***Please help us to invest in the future of our children.***

***It is only in our united efforts that we can fight poverty and let the children of Namibia shine.  
Thank you!***

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**A BIG THANK YOU...**

...to all our donors, supporters, stakeholders,  
volunteers and friends in the name of the  
**UNCSO** children and Marianne!

Without you, **UNCSO** would not be what it is  
today.

