



Impact Report

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Believing in the children of Uganda

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A Year of Impact:

An overview from our CEO - Siân Ball

For nearly twenty years, Biojemss has been privileged to work within the Rukungiri community in Uganda supporting vulnerable children and families. We have always prioritised direct care over infrastructure, using rental spaces so that our resources could go straight to the children. As our work has grown, the rental buildings available to us have struggled to keep up, highlighting the ongoing challenges of operating in ageing, temporary spaces. These buildings require frequent maintenance and no longer provide the space or stability our programmes need.

While we remain grateful for the support of local landlords and partners, it has become clear that building our own permanent facilities is essential for the next chapter of our work, and so this past year has been a year of building! Not only the visible structures of our community centre, cow projects, toilets and water system, but the unseen restoration of lives and futures. One of our greatest joys has been witnessing children like Trust, who arrived in heartbreaking circumstances, rise to pass his National Final Examinations with courage and dignity. These quiet victories remind us that restoration is slow, holy work – the kind that rebuilds what was broken and opens doors where none existed previously. As we look ahead, we continue to build with expectation, seeking new partnerships and trusting that the foundations we lay today will outlast us all.

In 2025/2026 Biojemss had over 400 interactions with our local community



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Believing in the children of Uganda

Biojemmss child support activities
2025-2026



225

Children
Supported



Across the reporting period 2025-2026, Biojemss has supported more than 200 children through its model of **rescuing**, **restoring**, and **releasing**. This page highlights some of the incredible support activities our team has been delivering to help the children we support not just survive but thrive

135 school packages purchased to reduce the financial burden of families, and also ensure that supported children are not singled out or targeted for not having all they need



School fees paid to keep children in education and free from child exploitation

10 children were supported through our prison ministry this year. These children are under the age of 5 and live in the prison with their mothers. We support by bringing them hope, opportunities to play, and to feel seen in a complex system



Child-headed households were supported financially, emotionally and spiritually



From Rescue to Release: Mukasa's Story

Mukasa was part of the very first group of children Biojemss rescued and notably, the last of that original group to step out into independent adulthood. His journey reflects the heart of what Biojemss exists to do: rescue, restore, and release into safe and sustainable futures.



After completing university, Mukasa began volunteering as a porter at Mengo Hospital, a placement made possible through Biojemss trustees. This opportunity provided him a small but steady income, and a structured environment from which he could develop practical skills, reliability and professional confidence. From those early steps, he progressed steadily, demonstrating measurable growth in responsibility and competence.

During his university years, Mukasa met the woman who would later become his wife. Biojemss supported their wedding recognising the importance of stable, family foundations to long-term wellbeing. Their daughter arrived soon after—another milestone made possible through years of consistent care, guidance, and relational support.

Through the experience, references, and work ethic he built at Mengo Hospital, Mukasa was later able to secure employment in Dubai. He has now obtained a two-year contract and is currently working there, a significant achievement that demonstrates both his perseverance and the long-term impact of sustained support. His progress provides clear evidence of how early intervention and ongoing investment can translate into meaningful economic opportunity.

Mukasa's story is one of perseverance and hope, but it is also a testament to what becomes possible when vulnerable children are given safety, opportunity, and long-term support. Like many others raised within Biojemss, he has moved from vulnerability into independence, now building a life, a career, and a family of his own.

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Strengthening Families

Biojemmss family and parental support activities 2025-2026



250

Households
impacted



Across the reporting period 2025–2026, Biojemss has directly supported approximately 250 households. This page outlines how our team has worked alongside families to strengthen stability, increase resilience, and expand access to opportunities that enable households to plan, adapt, and build sustainable futures

Home Visits

Our team of social workers carry out regular home visits to the families we support, enabling us to build a clear and accurate picture of each household's circumstances. Seeing children in their daily environment allows us to understand needs in a culturally relevant way and to provide timely guidance or intervention that strengthens family well-being.

Prayer and Counselling

Families supported by Biojemss can access prayer ministry and specialist counselling, providing safe, confidential spaces to process trauma and strengthen well-being. These services help caregivers and children recognise harm, build resilience, and move toward personal, psychological, and spiritual restoration.



Outreach Programmes

We connect with and support families through our school and community outreach programmes, reducing financial strain and strengthening the protective environment around children.

Emergency Hampers

Throughout 2025-2026 the number of home visits conducted by the Biojemss social work team reduced in favour of school and community-based engagement. This shift was both culturally and operationally driven, as funding constraints meant fewer emergency hampers were available for distribution.

However, during periods when funding allowed, staff delivered an average of ten hampers per week. These mixed-essential packages — including food, hygiene items, and scholastic materials — play a vital role in reducing household vulnerability, stabilising families during crisis periods, and preventing harmful coping strategies. They also strengthen rapport with caregivers and support safe access during prison outreach.

As we look ahead to 26/27, we aim to secure the resources needed to deliver this intervention consistently across the communities we serve.



“...receiving a hamper from Biojemss this year, filled us with joy and made us feel that we hadn't been forgotten. Thank you Biojemss, you have helped us so much”

Workshops and Training



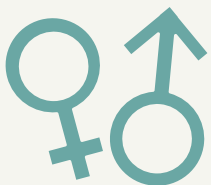
Positive
Parenting



Financial
Literacy



Child
Protection



Gender
Issues



HIV/AIDS
Awareness

Our Biojemss team in Uganda is passionate about ensuring that our ministry and programmes do not create dependency, but instead empower families to build and sustain the best life possible. This commitment to empowerment sits at the heart of our relational model.

One of the ways we do this is through parent and community workshops and training. In 2025-2026, Biojemss delivered a range of these sessions, equipping caregivers with the skills and knowledge needed to thrive and to strengthen the protective environment around children. These workshops are a key expression of our focus on long-term resilience rather than short-term solutions.

We expect this work to grow as we establish a permanent base for delivering community activities and support, enabling us to expand our reach and deepen our impact across the communities we serve. This next phase will allow us to offer even more consistent and accessible community empowerment opportunities.



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Empowering People for Sustainability

Biojemss livelihoods activities
2025-2026



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Families
empowered

To help empower families to thrive, Biojemss has invested in a number of sustainable livelihood projects that have helped release people from absolute poverty. This section outlines the impact these projects have had in 2025-2026 and the new opportunities our work has created



Livestock Project

Biojemss rears pigs, goats, and cows as part of our sustainable livestock project. As our animal family grows, we gift a piglet, goat, or young cow to a family in need, enabling them to begin their own small-scale project and build a more stable income.

Before receiving an animal, families join preparatory workshops on animal care, business planning, money management, and home readiness, often supported through savings groups. In 2025-2026 we distributed piglets and goats to households, and delivered 12 educational farm visits to strengthen skills, confidence, and long-term sustainability.





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New local jobs created

Biojemmss created 15 new local jobs during the 2025-2026 reporting period.

These roles emerged through development of our land and new premises, our growing farm projects, and increased need for site maintenance and operational support. Job opportunities were intentionally offered to individuals facing poverty and long-term economic hardship, reflecting our commitment to local empowerment.

Employment has provided income, dignity, skills development and renewed hope for people who had struggled to access work. This has enabled them to invest in their own futures and those of their families, creating a more sustainable path to financial independence and reducing reliance on external support.



Land Loaning

85%

of households in our local area are grappling with land shortages, meaning they can't grow food to sustain themselves and their families



For four years Biojemss has been loaning out its land to families in need so they can grow crops to sustain themselves. There is no requirement to give anything in return, though many beneficiaries voluntarily share part of their harvest to reduce operational costs.

Between April 2025-March 2026, over 75% of our land was used for this initiative, benefiting multiple families.

The women we support have grown millet, beans, sweet potatoes, and maize, and have also provided animal feed through crop by-products such as sweet potato leaves, strengthening our livestock project.



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Reaching the Lost

Biojemmss Faith, Salvation and Spiritual
Growth activities 2025-2026



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First time
commitments
to faith



Biojemmss staff in both Uganda and the UK are practising Christians who are motivated by their faith and a desire to see people living in freedom and flourishing. Our work is rooted in the example of Jesus, and we offer hope, prayer, and encouragement to those who wish to engage with faith

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Community Drop-in's

Our team are available whenever they are needed. Community drop-ins include unplanned or informal visits to our centre by individuals and families experiencing urgent crisis, seeking practical support, emotional care, or guidance. For those who request it, we also offer prayer and pastoral support.



50

Faith Visits

We love to share the hope of Jesus, and as well as welcoming people into our centre, we also meet them where they are.

In 2025-2026 our team made 50 community visits, offering prayer, encouragement, and practical support to households who invited us in.

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Adult Prison Ministry Interactions

As well as supporting children through our prison ministry, our team of qualified social workers also provide adult prisoners with support, including pastoral care, counselling, prayer and faith teaching

Travelling to Restore Hope



Our staff have travelled across our local area throughout 2025-2026 to ensure that those who need help and support receive it.

Our furthest home visit this year was 35km (22 miles) away, highlighting the lack of local services and demonstrating how the work of Biojemmss is beginning to reach wider communities. These journeys reflect our commitment to accessible support and responsive community outreach.

UK Church and Individual Support



9 churches



40 regular
givers



100's of
lives
changed

Biojemmss wouldn't be able to do any of the work it does without the support of UK churches and the incredible individuals who stand with the children and families we serve through financial giving and prayer. Their partnership is at the heart of our mission and reflects the shared commitment that makes our work possible.

In the 2025–2026 reporting period, Biojemmss was supported by nine churches who invited our UK team to share our heart, held fundraisers, and gave sacrificially to our mission. These partnerships demonstrate the depth of relationship and trust that has grown over many years, and they continue to be a vital part of our story.

Alongside this, around 40 individuals gave regularly each month. For a charity of our turnover, this level of committed monthly support is above sector average and evidences the strength of our relational model. Our work grows through trust, connection, and long-term partnership, and the faithfulness of this supporter community provides stability that enables us to plan, grow, and deliver our rescue, restore, and release model.

Additional income from events such as our annual gala, supermarket fundraising, and the occasional grant further strengthened our ability to serve children and families in Uganda.

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Expanding our Foundations

Biojemss Infrastructure Activities
2025-2026





As Biojemss has expanded, so too has our need for facilities of our own. During the reporting period April 2025–March 2026, construction on our land began to reshape how we operate and deepen the impact of our ministry. The developments completed this year mark a significant step forward in strengthening our capacity to serve children and families. Below we summarise what has been achieved

Land Development Achievements 2025–2026

This year saw major progress on our land as we took key steps toward creating a safe, sustainable and fully functioning base for our ministry. These developments are already strengthening how we serve children and families.

- Site preparation: Land was levelled in readiness for our future community centre and playground.
- Safe water system: A full clean-water system was installed, including a borehole, pump and water stand, giving the land reliable access to safe water for the first time.
- Electricity access: We secured connection to the national grid, expanding what is possible for daily operations and future construction.

- Sanitation facilities: A four-stance ventilated, improved toilet block was built, with a urinal and private changing area for girls, greatly improving safety and hygiene.
- Livestock expansion: Housing for pigs, goats and cows was expanded, strengthening our livestock project and increasing sustainability.
- Architectural approvals: Architectural plans were approved by Rukungiri Municipal Council, clearing the way for the next phase of development.

Now that key foundational preparations have been completed, Biojemss is ready to start development of our very own premises from which we will be able to serve the local community and help families and children thrive.



Looking Ahead: what's next for Biojemmss

This past year has been one of significant progress and encouragement across our work. One of our greatest highlights is that all of our Senior Six residential students successfully passed their national final examinations and are now preparing to join university. This is a powerful reflection of their dedication and the consistent support that surrounds them, as they take their next steps into independent futures.

Alongside this, we have continued to invest in the long-term sustainability of the organisation through the development of our land. We have made important strides in infrastructure, including progress on the construction of toilet facilities and the provision of electricity. These developments are vital in strengthening our capacity to serve children and families safely and effectively, both now and in the years to come.

Together, these achievements represent both immediate impact and lasting transformation. Young people moving forward into education and opportunity, while the foundations are being laid to support many more in the future.

As we enter into this next year, 2026-2027, we know that it won't come without challenges, and the needs of the communities we serve won't suddenly disappear. Therefore, we ask that you consider how you can partner with us, financially, and stand with us in prayer so that we can continue to believe in the children of Uganda.



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Firm Foundations for Future Generations



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