

**GIVING**  
**OPPORTUNITY**  
TO CHILDREN  
WITH DISABILITIES



**GO PARTNER:**  
GABRIELLA CENTRE

**LOCATION:**  
TANZANIA





# GO CAMPAIGN+ THE GABRIELLA CENTRE

Throughout Africa, misconceptions and stigma regarding disabilities abound. There are horrifying first-hand accounts of special needs children being abandoned or locked up and hidden away without medical care or schooling, and worse: buried alive or tied to trees and left to die.

This is why since 2012, GO Campaign has been working closely with our Local Hero Brenda Shuma to address the needs of children with autism and special needs in Moshi, Tanzania.

Brenda founded the Gabriella Children's Rehabilitation Centre as a small enterprise in 2009. Thanks to GO Campaign and Brenda's hard working team, it is now a leading model for therapy services, providing comprehensive services in early assessment and intervention, inclusive education, vocational training, and community outreach. Through this holistic approach, Brenda is transforming the lives of thousands of children and their families and changing the perception of autistic children in the community.



# CURRENT NEEDS

Together we have made significant strides and we have almost successfully completed construction of all the new buildings. We have almost reached our goal, but there is still a little more to do to bring this part of the project to completion. Below, learn more about what is still needed to complete this project, and how your contribution will help.

## PRIORITY NEEDS FOR 2022

### SERVICES AND SUPPORT

Provide 80 children with three months of services and support including (OT, life skills, vocational training, etc.)

JAN-MAR

**\$12,000**

APR-JUNE

**\$12,000**

JULY-SEPT

**\$12,000**

OCT-DEC

**\$12,000**

### INTENSIVE FAMILY SUPPORT

Provide children and their parents with intensive support where children are assessed, diagnosed, and parents are provided with tools and information on how best to care for and support their children at home.

JAN-MAR

**\$17,600**

APR-JUNE

**\$17,600**

JULY-SEPT

**\$17,600**

OCT-DEC

**\$17,600**

### STAFF & OPERATIONS SUPPORT

Provide three months of operating support to ensure the Gabriella Center is full staffed and able to provide the essential services and support to children with disabilities in their community.

JAN-MAR

**\$12,500**

APR-JUNE

**\$12,500**

JULY-SEPT

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OCT-DEC

**\$12,500**

### BUILDING & GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Provide Gabriella Centre with the funds to maintain the new buildings at their facility and make any necessary repairs so they center can stay fully functional

ONE YEAR

**\$18,000**





# THE CENTRE

Through GO Campaign funding, Brenda was able to grow from her humble beginnings and build this pre-eminent and state-of-the-art rehabilitation center for children with autism and special needs, providing quality education, individual and group therapy, vocational training, community outreach, and awareness raising to empower children with special needs.

Over the last few years, we have made significant strides on this project, completing construction on administrative buildings and classrooms, a youth & parent dormitory, dining hall and kitchen, therapy rooms, bakery building, completed garden, solar panel installation, and transportation to the main road.





# THE SERVICES



The Centre ensures that children with special needs are identified early, properly assessed, and receive appropriate therapy and support. The center provides:

- Early and accurate assessment of a child's educational and therapeutic needs
- Long-term therapy programs where youth learn independent living skills and participate in vocational training that has successfully mold them into entrepreneurs in their communities
- Week-long clinics that provide support to families as they wait for a spot to open in the long-term therapy program
- Vocational training in sewing, gardening, entrepreneurship, craftsmanship, etc. that help students gain skills to become independent and contributing members of their communities
- Training and workshops for families that teach families about the specific needs of their child and how to best support them to lead a healthy and happy life.



GO Campaign has helped Brenda transform the lives of over 2,300 children and their families through the services provided at the centre. While we celebrated the lives we have changed, there are so many more children who need Brenda's help and we will continue to support the Gabriella Centre as they continue to grow.







## ADDITIONAL NEEDS

<b>MULTIPURPOSE HALL</b> .....	<b>\$130,800</b>
Space for group activities, town hall meetings, performances, etc	
<b>ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT</b> .....	<b>\$16,200</b>
Assistive devices, mobility aides, etc	
<b>PAVING AND ACCESSIBILITY</b> .....	<b>\$14,400</b>
Landscaping around recently constructed dormitory so it is wheelchair accessible	
<b>SOLAR PANELS</b> .....	<b>\$9,931</b>
Solar heating for dormitories, parent's hostel, and therapy classrooms	
<b>OUTREACH VEHICLE</b> .....	<b>\$90,000</b>
Van that would allow them to travel to remote areas to provide services and support to communities in remote areas	



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TOGETHER...

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