

OUR CURRENT PARTNERS



DEVELOPING
WORLD
CONNECTIONS



We are always looking for support in both funding and expertise and are open to conversations with potential future partners!



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EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

in Freetown, Sierra Leone

ORGANISATIONAL BACKGROUND



In 1996, twelve year old Santigie Bayo Dumbuya was among several boys who were taken from Kamabonko village, to fight for the Revolutionary United Front during the Sierra Leone civil war. Fighting near the Guinean border, by the age

of fourteen, Santigie had sustained multiple bullet and shrapnel wounds.

In 1999 Santigie's unit was stationed near a town called Sanyah. *"When we entered the town in the evening the heavy gunfight sounded like music, but full of death and sorrow. What I saw on that day was so terrible. Some of my close friends were killed. During the fighting I saw a female child at the age of 5-6 years crying. I saw two people lying on the ground, one was already dead and the other was struggling to die"*. Santigie remembered his village and the person whom he was raised to be. *"That was the day of my revolution, and my heart was inspired."*

He dropped his gun and ran through the crossfire to save the girl. With no food or water, Santigie carried her for two days and two nights to safety. He saved her life.

Santigie never saw the girl again. He went to Freetown to recover from the war, completed education and founded the We Yone Child Foundation (WYCF) in 2009. He decided to focus his efforts on Kroo Bay and George Brook. The appalling conditions in these two communities called for action and no other organisation was producing results.

OUR IDENTITY

WYCF is a national non-governmental community development-centered organisation whose main trust is education and community development.

OUR MISSION

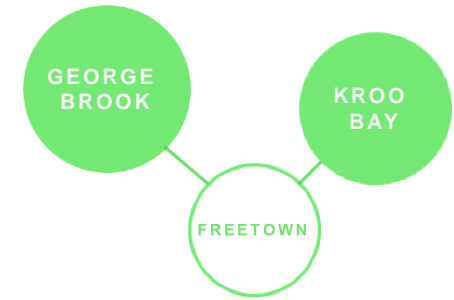
- Provide **sustainable education and care** to underprivileged children in the poorest areas of Freetown
- Overcome the **social and environmental problems** that deepen and perpetuate the cycle of poverty in these areas



OUR PROGRAMMES

- Primary education
- Extra-curricular activities
- Secondary School Subsidy project (SSS)
- Livelihood support: Family Business Schemes (FBS)
- Child protection / advocacy
- Girls' counseling and women's rights
- 'Girls speak out' project (UKAM II) Street Child
- Health education and healthcare support
- Emergency and disaster management.
- Production of Reusable Pads and skills training .
- Football for child development

OUR OPERATIONAL AREAS



OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

- **School construction:** We built three primary schools for over 1,072 students and trained 18 teachers. We are managing and maintaining the schools and organise many extracurricular activities.
- Secondary Scholarship to 171 at-risk children
- **Livelihood support:** So far we supported 262 families with business grants, monitor their business and help them sustain it with saving schemes.
- **Ebola education and aftermath:** In 2014/15 we carried out a health education programme in 17 different isolated slum communities reaching 7,700 people and raising the awareness rate by over 5%.
- Reusable Pads of 220 to 55 schoolgirls .

