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Message from the Executive Director

As we reflect on 2025, we do so with deep gratitude for the collective effort and shared commitment that made our work possible. Despite challenges, Scholars of Hope Foundation remained dedicated to empowering young people and vulnerable communities through education, mentorship, health awareness, and social support. With the continued support of our partners, donors, and volunteers, we look ahead with renewed commitment to expanding our impact, strengthening sustainability, and upholding accountability. Thank you for believing in the power of hope and walking this journey with us.

Gideon Kangali



Focus Areas and Key Achievements – 2025

To promote **long-term sustainability**, the Foundation initiated resource mobilization and investment strategies. Funds received through **Benevity** were invested in **government bonds and treasury bills**, with returns earmarked to support future programs. Monthly investments will continue into **2026** to strengthen financial resilience.

The year also featured **multiple outreach programs**, including visits to **children's homes and correctional facilities**, aimed at providing psychosocial support and essential donations. **Mentorship remained a core activity**, with regular visits focused on academic support, career guidance, and personal development for sponsored learners.

In 2025, the foundation significantly strengthened its education support programs by expanding the **child sponsorship initiative**. The number of sponsored learners increased from **6 in 2024 to 16 in 2025**, meeting the annual target through the addition of **10 high-performing pupils from vulnerable households at Parklands Secondary School in Kitwe**. Sponsored learners received essential school materials, including uniforms, books, and learning supplies.



Outreach Programs

Throughout 2025, the foundation implemented a series of impactful outreach programs aimed at supporting vulnerable children in different settings. The year began with an outreach to Sera Rose Children's Home followed by a visit to **Kamfisa Prison**, where the Foundation supported children whose parents are in custody by providing food, drinks, and other essential items to address their immediate needs.

This was followed by a **Winter Outreach Program** conducted in collaboration with **Hummingbird Foundation** at **Home of Merciful Beginnings Orphanage in Chunga, Lusaka**. The initiative focused on providing warm clothing, food, and basic necessities to help children cope with the cold season. The year concluded with a joyful **Festive Outreach Program** at the same orphanage in December. This event was dedicated to spreading holiday cheer through shared meals, gifts, music, games, and celebrations.



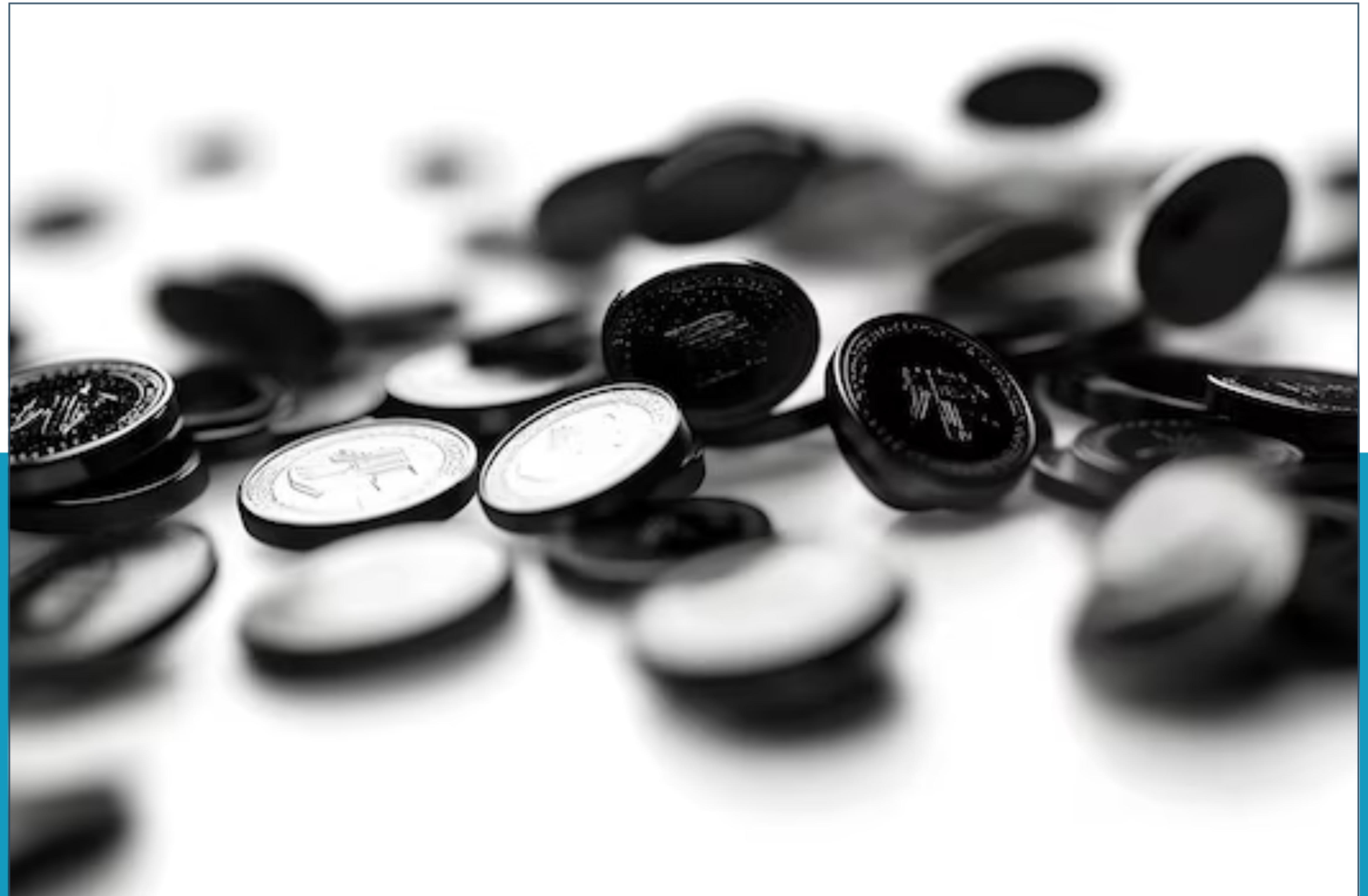
In 2025, the Education Support Program expanded significantly, increasing the number of sponsored learners from **6 in 2024 to 16 in 2025**. Of these, **four pupils successfully completed their secondary education** and are awaiting their final examination results. The program provided learners with essential educational support, including textbooks, revision pamphlets, school uniforms, shoes, and school bags. Continuous monitoring through regular follow-up calls and mentorship sessions was maintained throughout the year to track academic performance and provide guidance.

Education Support Program



Sustainability Measures

Beyond program implementation, the Foundation prioritized the establishment of long-term sustainability measures to support activities beyond donations and member contributions. Following thorough research, investments in **government bonds and securities** were adopted as a strategic resource mobilization approach. A structured investment plan was initiated, with **monthly investments of ZMW 10,000 over a six-month period**, under a **15-year tenure**. This initiative is designed to generate sustainable returns to support future programs and will continue into **2026**.



Picture Gallery



Looking Forward: 2026

Despite the financial constraints experienced in 2025, the Foundation remained committed to delivering its core programs. In 2026, Scholars of Hope Foundation will build on this momentum by **scaling up the child sponsorship program from 11 to 20 beneficiaries**. Continued support will also be extended to learners who have completed Grade 12 through **skills development initiatives and assistance with bursary and tertiary education applications**.

The Foundation will further **strengthen mentorship structures and volunteer engagement** among SOH members, while **expanding partnerships** with NGOs, corporate entities, and government institutions. Ongoing programs in **youth health and environmental sustainability** will be sustained, alongside improvements in **monitoring, evaluation, and reporting systems** to enhance accountability, learning, and impact.





Conclusion

The year 2025 marked a period of growth, resilience, and strategic progress for Scholars of Hope Foundation. Despite financial challenges, the Foundation successfully expanded its education support programs, strengthened sustainability measures, and continued to uplift vulnerable children and youth through outreach, mentorship, and capacity-building initiatives. As we look ahead to 2026, Scholars of Hope Foundation remains committed to scaling impact, strengthening partnerships, and building sustainable systems that ensure long-term positive change. With continued collaboration, innovation, and support, the Foundation is well-positioned to empower more young people to realize their full potential and contribute meaningfully to their communities.

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