

Precious Children's Centre

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Background

The Precious Children's Centre is a community based initiative that aims to improve the welfare of orphans and vulnerable children (OVCs) in the Kawempe Division of Kampala and the surrounding areas. The project offers a number of child-friendly services, such as:

- Early childhood education,
- Basic primary education,
- Child counseling and rehabilitation, and
- Integration.

The Precious Children's Centre is located in Ttula (one of the slum areas of Kampala) along Ttula Road, in Mbogo Parish of the Kawempe Division, Kampala.

The Kawempe Division is one of four divisions that make up Kampala, Uganda's capital city. It is located in the northern part of Kampala's central business district. It is a highly-populated area, with over 290,500 inhabitants and a 60% illiteracy rate. Since Kawempe Division is a slum area, the population is comprised of low-income households. A majority of the population survives on casual jobs or small businesses, and some survive through harmful activities such as sex working, gambling, and unscrupulous practices such as robbery. Other social problems associated with this area include high rates of HIV/AIDS (prevalence at 7%), high rates of alcohol and substance abuse, gangs, and unstable families/gender based violence.

Update

Children and students at the Precious Children's Centre in Kawempe Division, Kampala are very comfortable in class, as they no longer have to worry about getting enough to eat. Thanks to RMF's support, the school provides students with a nutritious breakfast and lunch. Teachers are also paid on time, so they remain encouraged and motivated in their work.

