



Education Today for Zero Aid Tomorrow

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Jean Main Program – Standing up against Childhood Malnutrition



Age 4



3 months



6 months

5 months

What does this have to do with your Education mandate?

If not rescued in time, our school meals and porridge will be too little too late for these 3 months, 5 months, 6 months & 4 year olds.

- How do you go about this?**
1. With critical months known & worst affected areas mapped to Bugarama & Muganza;
 2. With Bugarama health centre alone reporting 74 cases of malnutrition including 3 breastfeeding & 3 pregnant mothers;
 3. As little as £200/month would extend our existing SOSOMA porridge to such 74 unlucky babies and mothers.

➡ **Revolving Door Malnutrition:** According to doctors and nurses, there are two annual critical periods during which malnutrition cases rise. That is March to April and September to November.

➡ **Selection:** Positive identification of malnourished children will be based on weight. The assessment will be carried out by Islamic Health Centre through its Community Health Visitors. RSVP will hold a register showing child's name, parents, location, age and weight.

➡ **Volume:** A census carried out in December 2011 showed 30 children were SEVERELY malnourished. Last week, 18 children required 7 days inpatient admission for milk based diet locally known as F75. The government provides 2kg SOSOMA flour/week. But, there are doubts as to whether the sick child gets any of that.

➡ **Plan:** Head nurse talks suggest 2 daily SOSOMA porridge centres. Children to be weighed weekly by Community Health Visitors to assess impact. Attendance to be checked against RSVP Register.