



## Children in Families

GHR Foundation's Children in Families funding supports child protection interventions that strengthen families, respond to children without family care and drive further evidence of innovative approaches.

### Our Focus

GHR envisions a world where all children—especially those at risk of losing or without parental care—are living in a stable, positive, long-term family environment. Global research demonstrates that children raised in family settings have better cognitive, emotional and social outcomes than those living outside family care.

Given this evidence, GHR's Children in Families partnerships aim to:

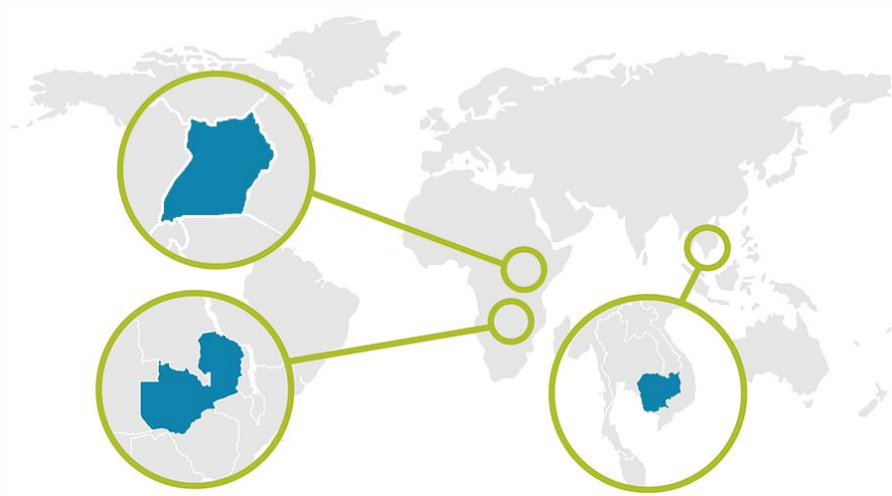
- Strengthen family cohesion
- Reduce the flow of children into orphanages and increase the flow of children out of orphanages
- Transition children separated from their families back into stable family environments
- Pursue systemic change through government-led and sustained family-based policies
- Leverage funding and apply evidence-based knowledge in GHR focus countries

GHR Foundation's Children in Families initiative focuses its funding at three levels:

- Global platforms that promote evidence-based research and advocacy
- Government reform for family care
- Demonstration of direct services that model best practice

## Geographic Priorities

GHR has supported work in Nepal, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Vietnam and Guatemala that has informed our approach to systems change in key countries. **Our current Children in Families geographic focuses are Cambodia, Uganda and Zambia.**



 **8 million**

children are estimated to live outside family care worldwide

 **76 thousand**

children live in institutional care in our focus countries

 **1,252**

orphanages remain in Cambodia, Uganda and Zambia

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