

2019 Profile



A Partnership with Africa

Partners in development with the people of Africa



WHO WE ARE





A Partnership with Africa (APA) is an Irish Charity which supports a partnership-based approach to development where it works - presently in Ethiopia, Tanzania and Kenya. Since its charitable founding in 2004, APA has supported projects that focus on HIV/AIDS and its impact onfamilies, women and children who are the most vulnerable. Prevention of violence against girl childen and women; domestic and bar workers rights, focusing on the 'bonded labour' work conditions and trafficking of so many. Promoting minorities rights to land/nutrition, health, education; food production, sanitation and water with rural communities. APA engages in awareness education in Ireland, facilitating communities here to live their responsibility for others in the name of our common humanity, especially our people who are exploited, broken, in distress or over burdened.

APA PHILOSOPHY





APA MODEL

APA believes in the rights of all people to live with dignity and freedom. We believe that it is the responsibility of people everywhere to value the common humanity which binds us all together and support the wellness of one another.

APA operates within a partnership model. APA believes that sustainable change occurs when it is driven by local people who define their own challenges and create their own solutions through existing structures and institutions. As a result, project implementation is carried out by upskilled local people who are facilitated by the local government and project teams – thus ensuring sunstainability from the outset



HISTORY OF APA



APA'S VISION

APA'S MISSION

APA vision is of a just world where all people are equally empowered to realise their full potential; where all will have universal access to basic services such as food, shelter, education and health. APA works globally in a spirit of partnership with local communities and institutions to facilitate equal access to basic services and empower the most vulnerable citizens of the world to reach their full potential.

APA'S VALUES





<u>Respect</u>

APA respects the dignity, potential and contribution of all project participants, of its partners, donors, volunteers and staff.

Integrity

Acting consistently with APA's mission, we strived to be open and honest in what we do and say, accepting responsibility for our collective and individual actions.

<u>Voluntarism</u>

APA welcomes the participation of volunteers in service of the organisation's mission both in Ireland and abroad.

<u>Commitment</u>

APA commits its board, team, volunteers and supporters to work in partnership with the most vulnerable in the global community enabling them to realise their full human potential.

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PARTNERSHIP

Partnership is at the core of APA's vision and work, from facilitating communities to develop own projects; collaborating with governments to protect girl children, empower women; protect rights of domestic and bar workers, migrants and minorities through constitutional and legal avenues. APA also partners with other likeminded organisations in order to maximise the impact of its efforts with people who are poor.

PARTNERSHIP







APA shares a unique relationship with Comunita Volontari per il Mondo (CVM), a non-profit organisation based in Ancona and Porto San Giorgio, Italy. APA and CVM maintain a Consortium Agreement in which the two organisations have both aligned their missions and agreed to collaboratively implement their projects. Through its robust network of local and national partners in Ethiopia and Tanzania, CVM has established a strong basis of trust in the communities within which we work. APA and CVM have maintained a partnership for 15 years through which they have maximised their development efforts. APA highly values partnering with likeminded organisations who share its values and philosophy on human rights and sustainable development. For this reason, Irish Aid is one of APA's key partners.

Irish Aid co-funds Civil Society projects which build the capacity of marginalised communities, groups and individuals and have enabled the expansion of the project's efforts in both Ethiopia and Tanzania.

OUR PARTNERS ALSO INCLUDE...

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Helping Other People

WHAT DO WE DO?





CIVIL SOCIETY CAPACITY BUILDING

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APA believes in working alongside local people to develop their own solutions to the unique challenges that they themselves face.

This is why we believe in the power of training, advocacy and partnership with local leaders, government offices and communities. Currently, APA supports capacity building for civil society groups in Ethiopia and Tanzania. These groups include:

- Domestic Worker Associations
- Bar Worker Associations
- Women's and Children's Groups
- Widows' Groups
- Rural Farmers
- HIV/AIDS Associations





MOST AT-RISK POPULATIONS

APA's mission is to support the most marginalised and vulnerable groups so that they can gain access to basic services.

This is why we involve local communities in our activities and operate within local structures to advocate for justice and rights. By supporting opportunities for engagement, together we can create sustainable support for vulnerable people. Currently, APA supports marginalised groups in Ethiopia, Tanzania and Kenya which include:

- Ethnic minorities, such as the Menja people in Keffe, Ethiopia
- Orphan children
- Street children
- People living with HIV/AIDS
- Domestic Workers
- Bar Workers





DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION



Get up and Goals is a European Union/Irish Aid co-funded initiative implemented in Ireland by A Partnership with Africa. The project aims to increase awareness of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Development Education (DE) amongst educators, young people and their communities.

Project activities include:

- Advocacy and campaigning to help create conducive policy responses to the Global Goals
- Working with student teachers and practicing teachers to embed SDG content and DE approaches across subjects/short courses
- Supporting post-primary students to undertake SDG-related actions in their communities.



CHARITY SHOPS IN IRELAND



Des's APA Charity Shop -Hacketstown Located at: Hacketstown Lower, Hacketstown, Co. Carlow Phone: 087 118 4949 / 087 776 6452 Facebook: @HacketstownAPACharityShop

Carlow APA Charity Shop -Carlow

Located at: Pollerton, Hacketstown Road, Carlow (in Old Pollerton Furniture Shop premises) Phone: 089 456 3380 / 087 776 6452 F.book: @CarlowAPACharityShop Athlone APA Charity Shop -Athlone Located at: 17 &19 Bastian Court, Connaught St, Athlone Phone: 087 118 4949 Facebook: @AthloneAPACharityShop

APA currently operates three charity shops in Ireland.

The shops are local community volunteer and Tus operated. The proceeds support APA's work in Ethiopia, Tanzania and Kenya. APA's Charity Shops welcome volunteers and donations of lightly used furniture items, clothing and bric-a-brac and shoppers!





APA MAINTAINS THE FOLLOWING POLICIES AND MANUALS...



- Child Protection
- Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults
- Gender
- Conflict of Interest & Loyalty
- Data Protection
- Social Media
- Volunteer
- Fraud

- Risk Management
- Fundraising
- Reserve
- Staff Manual
- Board Manual
- Financial Manual
- Charity Shops Guidelines

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WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Your donation and support is making a difference in the lives of poor people. It enables APA to provide access to education for girl children, especially; to invest in up skilling training for women and teenage girls; widows, domestic and bar workers, promoting their rights and their group organisations; start up funds to setup cooperatives, raise small animals, poultry, form savings and credit unions, – just to name a few!

Visit <u>www.apa.ie/donate</u> for more information and to make a donation.

Thank you!