



Newsletter

Fondation Children of Africa

A bright future for children in Africa



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*A better world in 2018
for children in Africa*



**Inauguration of the
Mother and Child's Hospital
of Bingerville - March 2018**





News from the children's shelter

The President's message



Dear donors,

*I am delighted to be with you, at the end of the year, to draw with you the results of last year, but also to celebrate the **20 years of the Foundation in March 2018.***

*Thanks to your contribution ,we have been able to give **a smile to many children and to improve the lives of thousands of women across Africa.***

2018 will be a memorable year for Children Of Africa Foundation. *20 years of solidarity, mutual aid and sharing. 20 years of happiness offered to children from all over the world. 20 years of dedication and commitment to promote **children's education, health and well-being.***

We will never thank you enough! Thank you for your invaluable contribution and your great generosity.

On behalf of all the children you have supported all these years, I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Dominique Ouattara

THE RECEPTION CENTER « LA CASE DES ENFANTS »

« La Case des Enfants » is the reception center of Children of Africa Foundation, for orphans, abused children and street children.

Since 1998 the foundation provides assistance to about 60 children on permanent basis.



THE SNOW QUEEN ENTERTAINS CHILDREN



On April 14, 2017, the famous Nathan Show Group in Abidjan to present its wonderful musical performance «The Snow Queen» offered a very nice surprise to the children of la Case by coming to visit them. Accompanied by the main character of the show played by Miss BONFANTI Emeline, the group kept the children in suspense with their songs and dances.

The children were able to sing with the characters. This was a magic experience for all the kids. The visit ended with a series of «magic» photos with all the characters of the show in a particularly cheerful and warm atmosphere. The group promised to come back as soon as possible.



A DINNER-SHOW OFFERED TO CHILDREN

On June 12, 2017, the «Café do Brazil» restaurant, located on the 2nd floor of the Orca Déco center, offered a dinner to 60 children between 5 and 15. The 60 small guests were delighted to participate in the many games organized for them. Dances, parades and distribution of gifts embellished the delicious dinner they had the pleasure of sharing with the organizers. The children left the restaurant with a lot of presents and pastries.



YOUSSOU N'DOUR VISITS LA CASE DES ENFANTS

After his amazing performance at the Congress Hall of Sofitel Abidjan Hotel Ivoire on 3rd March 2017, Senegalese singer Youssou N'Dour went on March 4, 2017, to the Children's center of Children of Africa Foundation to share beautiful moments with the small residents of the center. This visit was an exceptional moment of joy, sharing and communion with the little protégés of the Foundation.



GOOD GRADES FOR CHILDREN

An awards ceremony was held on June 21, 2017 to reward the best students, as well as to reward the efforts that children have made throughout the school year. Indeed, all the children have reached the next level. The three students in grade 10 have also passed their final exam. Another student is at the National School of Arts of Abidjan; We are proud of them and their performances.





3,000 BOOKS FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIES

For the promotion of books and especially reading, Children of Africa Foundation regularly provides books to many school libraries. For the 2017-2018 school year, more than a dozen school libraries have received books from Mrs. Dominique Ouattara's Foundation. These are the libraries of the **High School of Mankono, the High School of Bouaké, the High School of Grand-Bassam, the Sainte Marie High School of Cocody, the Bassa School Group in Bouaké, the High School of Angré, the High School of Daloa and the library of Treichville.**



MOBILE LIBRARIES TRAVEL ACROSS CÔTE D'IVOIRE



The Children of Africa's mobile libraries crisscross the country's towns and villages to promote books and reading among primary and secondary schools children. The localities of **Ouragahio, Dabakala, Daoukro, M'Bahiakro, Kong, Korhogo and Vavoua** welcomed with joy and fervor the presence of the Bibliobus. The three months spent in each of these localities allowed the children to become familiar with books and discover the joy of reading. The larger Bibliobus was made available to the District of Abidjan, and participated in a Musical Festival (FEMUA 2017) in Marcory Anoumabo which took place from 25 to 28 April 2017 and in the Book Fair of Abidjan held from 24 to 28 May 2017.





3rd EDUCATIONAL VACATION TO CAP D'AIL IN FRANCE



Children of Africa Foundation, in partnership with the Association Française Cité Club Universitaire, offered to the 8 best students in Côte d'Ivoire who achieved excellent academic results, a stay in Cap d'Ail in the South of France. The ceremony to say goodbye to the children coming from 8 regions of the country, took place on July 20, 2017, at the main office of Children of Africa Foundation in Cocody, in the presence of Mrs. Kandia CAMARA, Minister of National and Technical Education.



THE 37TH PARIS BOOK FAIR

Children of Africa Foundation participated in the 37th Paris Book Fair which took place from 23 to 27 March 2017 at the Porte de Versailles. At the opening of the Salon on Thursday, March 23rd, President François Hollande honored Children of Africa Foundation by visiting the youth area. He congratulated, Mrs. Dominique Ouattara, President of the Foundation for all her efforts to promote youth education and reading.

The space dedicated to youth and education housed in the African Letters Pavilion was sponsored by Children of Africa Foundation. This space had the Bibliobus designed on a large blackboard painted in yellow and blue.

During four days, students from primary and secondary schools in the district of Paris visited the stand with their supervisors. The writer and storyteller, Tano-Lora provided special entertainment for the children.

Conferences, round tables and panels were also planned during the 4 days.





DISTRIBUTION OF 15,000 SCHOOL KITS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2017-2018

For the school year 2017-2018, Children of Africa Foundation has launched the distribution campaign of 15,000 school kits to schoolchildren in all regions of Côte d'Ivoire. The starter of this caravan to support schooling and education, was given by Mrs. Dominique Ouattara, President of Children Of Africa, on Monday, October 2, 2017, at the School Group of Abadjin-Kouté, Songon village, in the presence of Mrs. Clarisse Duncan, wife of the Vice-president, Mrs. Kandia Camara, Minister of National and Technical Education, Minister Robert Beugré Mambé, Governor of the Autonomous District of Abidjan and native of Songon and many other officials. Thus, for this new school year, 15,000 school kits, made up of books and school bags were offered to school



children from all regions of the country.



A CANTEEN AND SCHOOL KITS OFFERED TO CHILDREN IN PONVOGO

Children of Africa Foundation has donated school kits to more than 300 children in Ponvogo, a village located a few kilometers from the city of Korhogo. The donation ceremony was held in the community on Tuesday, November 8, 2017.

The new canteen in Ponvogo has been fully equipped and was provided a cookware set including a freezer, two gas burners connected to two gas cylinders, to offer new catering conditions to the 136 students. In addition, 2.5 tons of rice, pasta, ten cans of 20 liters of oil, tomato paste, etc. were given for the canteen.





THE PRESIDENT AND FOUNDER OF CHILDREN OF AFRICA VISITS THE MOTHER AND CHILD'S HOSPITAL UNDER CONSTRUCTION



The President and Founder of Children Of Africa, Mrs. Dominique OUATTARA visited the site of the Mother-Child Hospital of Bingerville. She has personally supervised the progress of the work and took the opportunity to express her satisfaction on progress made. She also announced that the health facility will open in March.



FIRST LADIES VISIT THE MOTHER AND CHILD'S HOSPITAL OF BINGERVILLE



On the sidelines of the 5th AU-EU Summit held from November 29 to 30, 2017, the First Ladies who travelled with their husbands to Abidjan, visited on Thursday, November 30, 2017, the Dominique Ouattara Mother-Child's Hospital of Bingerville.

The First Ladies were able to discover a beautiful level 3 hospital under construction. For the occasion, Mrs. Dominique Ouattara, President of Children of Africa Foundation explained to her sisters the deep reasons why she has undertaken this major project.

123 beds and a technical platform of last generation will be available. The hospital will open its doors in March 2018.



CONSTRUCTION OF A HOUSE OF LIFE BY LALLA SALMA FOUNDATION



The President of Children of Africa had a meeting with a delegation from the Foundation of Her Royal Highness Lalla SALMA, wife of the King of Morocco, on February 21, 2017 at the main office of the foundation, in cocody, for the construction of a home to receive children with cancer and their families at the Bingerville Mother and Child's Hospital. This home will support the MCH Children's Pediatric Oncology Center and will include about 20 rooms, an administration, a treatment area and a play area for children.

VISIT TO « THE HOUSE OF LIFE » OF FES



As part of the construction by her Royal Highness, Princess Lalla SALMA, of a «house of life» for cancer patients within the Mother-Child's Hospital of Bingerville, the President-Founder of Children of Africa visited «the house of life» of Fes on May 11, 2017, located in the CHU Hassan II of Fes, and this, together with Mrs. Ilham JAMAI Foundation Lalla SALMA. On this occasion, Professor Ait Taleb KHALID, General Director of Chu Hassan II of Fes, presented to Mrs. Dominique OUATTARA, President and Founder of Children Of Africa, this temporary and pleasant accommodation space, designed to encourage patients to continue their treatment.

FREE CARE TREATMENT TO 20,814 CHILDREN AND 1,029 EYEWEAR GLASSES OFFERED DURING THE 5TH OPHTHALMIC CARAVAN



After its launch at Marcory-Anoumabo on April 7th, 2017, at Groupe Scolaire d'Anoumabo, the 5th free ophthalmic consultation caravan initiated by Children of Africa Foundation set sail for the Haut-Sassandra region. Indeed, from 22 to 29 April 2017 the caravan has crisscrossed the localities of Issia, Saïoua, Vavoua, Zoukougbeu and Daloa.



During these consultations, 20,814 children received free treatment from Children of Africa's ophthalmologists. Taking advantage of this opportunity, these children whose age is between 0 and 15 years, have also benefited from a systematic deworming when 1,029 children received free pairs of glasses. The local authorities headed by the

President of the Regional Council of Haut-Sassandra, Prof. Alphonse Djédjé Mady thanked the First Lady who initiated the project.

The communities, for their part, showed their gratitude to Mrs. Dominique Ouattara through their exceptional participation.

A HUMANITARIAN MISSION TO SAVE CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM HEART DISEASE

AFCAO, CHILDREN OF AFRICA FOUNDATION AND ABIDJAN INSTITUTE OF CARDIOLOGY GIVE HOPE TO SICK CHILDREN



The French Heart Association for West Africa (AFCAO) in collaboration with Children of Africa Foundation of Mrs. Dominique OUATTARA and the Abidjan Heart Institute (ICA) has launched a humanitarian heart surgery mission for children between 6 months and 16 years old, on May 12, 2017, at Children of Africa Foundation's headquarters in Cocody. From May 13 to 19, 2017, specialists in congenital heart disease with surgeons of the Abidjan Heart Institute were able to operate and treat 23 children and 2

sick adults free of charge. The surgery was successful thanks to the medical teams mobilized by Professor Mohamed Ly, cardiac surgeon and President of AFCAO.

After receiving in audience at her residence, on May 17, 2017, the AFCAO team led by its President, Professor Mohamed Ly, Mrs Dominique OUATTARA, President of Children Of Africa, paid a visit on May 18, 2017 to the children who successfully went through the surgical intervention, at the Abidjan

Heart Institute.

She took the opportunity to inquire about the children's health status and offered them some gifts. We could see joy on the face of these kids.



MERCK SUPPORTS CHILDREN OF AFRICA FOUNDATION

As part of the construction of the Mother-Child's Hospital of Bingerville, the German firm made a donation of 350,000 euros or more than 200 million CFA francs to Children of Africa Foundation on July 20, 2017.

DONATIONS TO THE HEALTH CENTER OF THE REGIONAL ACADEMY OF MARINE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (ARSTM)



The President and Founder of Children Of Africa, Mrs. Dominique OUATTARA presided the festivities marking the 30th anniversary of the Regional Academy of Marine Sciences and Technologies (ARSTM), on Wednesday 2 August 2017, at the Regional Maritime Training Institution.

In this context, the President and Founder of Children Of Africa donated 1,000 doses of typhoid fever vaccines, a medical ambulance, and equipment to the Health Center of the Regional Academy of Marine Sciences and Technologies (ARSTM) of the 15 francophone countries of West and Central Africa.



ALERE DONATES 5 POINTS OF CARE TO THE FOUNDATION

ALERE has donated 5 devices points of care to help Mrs Dominique OUATTRA achieve her mission as UNAIDS Ambassador for the elimination of mother-to-child transmission and the promotion of pediatric AIDS treatment. These devices allow early diagnosis of HIV / AIDS in children born to infected mothers. The diagnosis enables immediate treatment in order to reduce HIV / AIDS related deaths in young children.





15,000 CHILDREN CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

The President and Founder of Children Of Africa, Mrs. Dominique OUATTARA celebrated Christmas with 3,000 children from the District of Abidjan and some cities in the country, on December 21, 2016, in the Gardens of the Presidential Palace.

She also enabled 12,000 children from all regions of Côte d'Ivoire to receive gifts through Christmas tree celebration organized across the country. A total of 15,000 children throughout the country benefited from this celebration.



500 CHILDREN AT THE QUEEN OF SNOW SHOW



Children of Africa Foundation has offered a private show to 500 children from all social background of the Autonomous District of Abidjan and some cities in the country, on Saturday, April 15, 2017, at the Palais de la Culture in Treichville. For more than an hour, singers and dancers have performed the story of Queen Elsa and Anna in the fairy kingdom of Arendelle in more than 23 beautiful scenery.



MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION 2017



After the city of Bouake, First Lady Dominique Ouattara celebrated mother's day with women of the District of Abidjan. Women from all the communes of Abidjan, responded favourably to the invitation of Mrs. Dominique Ouattara at the Palais de la Culture in Treichville, on Saturday, May 27, 2017.

As in the previous editions, Mrs Dominique Ouattara attended the event her hands full of gifts for the women.

Thus, the Founder of Children Of Africa offered 5,000 african clothes to the women.

In addition to this donation, Mrs. Dominique Ouattara has offered important items to restaurant owners, women farmers, hairdressers and dressmakers, new mothers and finally to the winners of the kitchen contest.

THE CHILDREN'S CENTER OF SOUBRE UNDER CONSTRUCTION



The construction of the first of the three centers for children in need, presented at the 6th charity gala of Children of Africa Foundation, organized in 2016, started this year.

Located in Soubré, this center will be inaugurated very soon. The next two to be built in the cities of Ferkéssédougou and Bouaké, will be carried out

in the course of 2018. These reception centers will significantly improve the protection of children involved into exploitation, trafficking and child labour in the most at-risk areas of Côte d'Ivoire.

HELPING CHILDREN WITH AUTISM

Children of Africa Foundation has given its support to the World Autism Awareness Day 2017. Indeed, the Foundation of Mrs. Dominique OUATTARA has provided financial assistance worth 3 million CFA francs at the Center for Medical and Psychosocial Action (CAMPS), on March 30, 2017, at the Foundation's headquarters in Cocody.



THE HONORARY CONSUL OF COTE D'IVOIRE IN BAVARIA-MUNICH OFFERS 15,000 PAIRS OF EYE GLASSES TO CHILDREN OF AFRICA FOUNDATION



The Children of Africa's next ophthalmic campaign, scheduled for April 2017, is already under good auspices and for good reason. The Honorary Consul of Côte d'Ivoire in Bavaria-Munich, Dr. Christophe Hahn offered 15,000 pairs of glasses to the Foundation of Mrs. Dominique Ouattara. The donation ceremony took place in the presence of Mrs. Dominique OUATTARA, President of Children Of Africa, on March 21, 2017, in the conference room of the Steigenberger Hotel located in the heart of Stuttgart (south-west of Germany).



THE DOMINIQUE OUATTARA CUP 2017



The President of Children of Africa Foundation, Mrs. Dominique OUATTARA proceeded, at the official launch of the 10th edition of the Children

of Africa Foundation football tournament with the Cup that bears her name, on July 27, 2017, at the headquarters of Children of Africa Foundation in Cocody,

in the presence of Mr. François Albert AMICHIA, Minister of Sport and Leisure.

DONATION TO RESIDENTS OF THE JUVENILE OBSERVATION CENTER



Committed to upholding children's right to life, health, education, and protection, Children of Africa Foundation has made in-kind donations to residents of the Juvenile Observation Center, during the 27th anniversary of the Day of the African Child, under the theme:

«The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development for Children in Africa: Accelerate Protection, Empowerment and Equal Opportunities», on Saturday, May 17, 2017. Donations were composed of perishable and non-perishable foodstuffs, toiletries for babies, sports

equipment, maintenance and hygiene equipment, sewing machines, household appliances, mattresses, computers, chairs, school supplies, to name a few.



NEWS FROM OUR SUBSIDIZED CENTERS IN AFRICA

Social Samu in Senegal



In 2017 Children of Africa Foundation renewed its support to Samu Social Senegal, which helps street children in Dakar and aims to improve the situation of children at risk living on the street and to avoid further degradation of their conditions. It seeks to establish a procedure to care for children at risk and anyone excluded from the traditional care mechanisms.

Social Samu in Burkina Faso



The Samu social Burkina Faso had the honor of welcoming Aude MASSOT, an author and comic book designer, to its emergency center with nursing and psychological care, who quickly conquered the hearts of street children hosted in the center by creating a link with them.

Pilot Village in Senegal



Since January 2017, the Pilot Village has implemented different activities :

- 115 interviews were made in the streets of Dakar. About 300 new young people were identified.
- 221 children were provided assistance
- 30 family reintegrations
- 96 young people were able to benefit from the services of a vocational training center

The HAC center in Cameroon

The HAC center has closed its school activities for the year 2016/2017 with children with disabilities. The event was organized in May 2017.



Arc en Ciel in Gabon

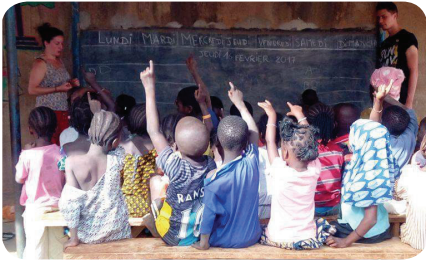
On June 16, 2017, the Arc en Ciel Association organized the day of the African child at the complex social Benoit MESSIANI. The aim was to give children time to express themselves through a play about their experiences. They were able to freely express their potential through games and dance.





NEWS FROM OUR SUBSIDIZED CENTERS IN AFRICA

Urgence Afrique in Burkina Faso



During the year 2017, the various activities carried out in the center enabled 58 children to learn how to read and write French and to have fun.

The activities are summarized in four main points:

- Educational activities
- Recreational activities
- Hygiene activities
- Keeping the vegetable garden clean

Urgence Afrique in Togo



The library set up in Hanyigba-Todji now has thousands of books of all kinds. There are novels, some collections of poetry, textbooks, some magazines and children's books. It serves not only primary school students but also highschool students or teachers and the community.



OUR OTHER SUBSIDIZED CENTERS IN AFRICA

- *La Voix du cœur* in the Central African Republic
- *The social Samu* in Mali
- *The Saint Joseph Shelter* in Guinea
- *Urgence Afrique* in Benin

OUR SUBSIDIZED CENTERS IN CÔTE D'IVOIRE



Arc en ciel Center in Odienné

Opened in 2011 in Odienné by the Sisters of the Holy Family of Spoleto, the Arc-en-Ciel center is a recognised nursery that welcomes full-time fifteen orphaned, abandoned and vulnerable children between 0 and 5 years old. This house is a place of life where everyone's fulfillment is a priority.



SAPE CI

Sape CI provides psychosocial care to (street children, unaccompanied children, children in social difficulty ...), provides medical care, provide assistance to victims of sexual violence, provides socio-educational care, school care and social integration.



St. Mary Clinic

In 2017, the nuns' clinic in Bondoukou provided follow-up and assistance to children infected with HIV. The clinic provides school assistance, clothing, food and medical treatment to children, nutritional care for orphans. They also contributed to the building of benches and the purchase of cradles for motherhood.

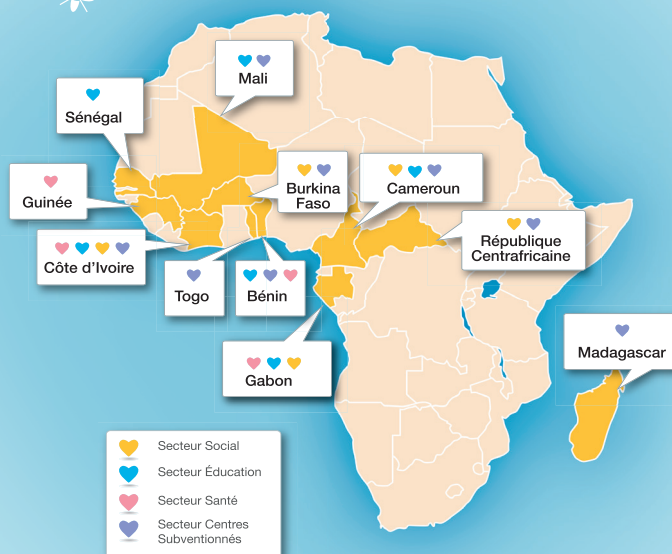


OTHER SUBSIDIZED CENTERS IN COTE D'IVOIRE :
La Source in Bouaké / The SOS Children's Village / Children's House



Some Figures of interest

The Foundation operates in 11 African countries



Open your heart to children in Africa. Do not forget them

Thanks to your generosity we will be able to offer a better life to thousands of children in Africa. Let's make Christmas a beautiful experience for them!

Select the project you want to support:

- Girls' schooling: 100,000 CFA francs
- Health centers: 80,000 CFA francs
- School kits : 55,000 CFA francs
- Foster homes 50,000 CFA francs
- Immunization campaign : 35,000 CFA francs
- Gift of your choice:F CFA

This year we also count on your support for the running of the Mother – Child's Hospital of Bingerville in Côte d'Ivoire :

- I donate 500,000 CFA francs
- I donate 1 ,000,000 CFA francs
- I donate 2 ,000,000 CFA francs

We need your support, we are counting on you to achieve this great project!

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220,164

Children had access to free reading

127,814

Children were dewormed

74,000

Children were immunized against (meningitis and typhoid fever)

93,000

School kits distributed

240,814

Children benefited from the ophthalmic caravan

13

Subsidized children's Centers

10

Computer Rooms

8

Mobile libraries