

NEW GENERATION BURUNDI

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Raising a New Generation of Servant Leaders

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A Message from the Founder

Dear Friends, Partners and Supporters,

It is with deep gratitude that I present the New Generation Burundi Annual Report 2025.

Thank you for standing with New Generation Burundi throughout 2025. Your generosity, prayers, friendship and partnership enabled us to continue bringing hope, protection, education, leadership development and opportunity to vulnerable children and young people across Burundi.

Burundi continues to face significant economic and social challenges. Yet we remain convinced that one of the most strategic investments we can make in the future of our nation is to invest in its children and young people.

Throughout 2025, we witnessed thousands of young people discovering their dignity, developing their potential, receiving education, learning leadership, experiencing reconciliation and finding opportunities to build a better future.

Behind every statistic in this report is a person a child who received a meal, a student who returned to school, a young leader who discovered purpose, or a family that found renewed hope.

Our work is ultimately about transformation: helping vulnerable children move toward safety and education, helping young people discover and develop their potential, and raising servant leaders who will contribute to the transformation of their communities and nation.

Thank you for being part of this journey. Together, we are raising a new generation of servant leaders who can transform Burundi and beyond.

Dieudonné Nahimana

Founder, New Generation Burundi

1. Who We Are

New Generation Burundi was founded by Dieudonné Nahimana, whose life was deeply affected by the violence of Burundi's civil war. In 1993, he lost his father during the conflict and experienced displacement and hardship in the years that followed.

During that period, he noticed something powerful: street-connected children often rejected ethnic divisions, choosing unity despite their different backgrounds. This inspired a vision that children considered among the most vulnerable in society could become leaders of a new Burundi.

Out of this vision, New Generation Burundi was born—a movement committed not only to helping children leave the streets, but also to raising servant leaders who can contribute to rebuilding and transforming the nation.

Today, our work combines child protection, education, leadership development, reconciliation, vocational training, entrepreneurship, sports, media, agriculture and social enterprise.

2. Vision

A new generation of servant leaders in a flourishing Burundi.

We envision a Burundi transformed by young people who lead with character, compassion, responsibility and a commitment to serving others.

3. Mission

To spiritually, culturally and socio-economically awaken young people and children so they become servant leaders who contribute to the transformation of their communities and nation.

Our integrated approach

- Moral and spiritual transformation — nurturing positive values, responsibility and hope.
- Cultural, intellectual and artistic development — helping young people develop talents and intellectual potential.
- Socio-economic empowerment — equipping young people through vocational training, entrepreneurship and practical economic initiatives.

4. 2025 at a Glance

A Year of Resilience, Growth and Impact

Despite economic and operational challenges, New Generation Burundi continued expanding its work with vulnerable children and young people. Key developments included school and community outreach, Road to School support, leadership development, girls' empowerment, sports, vocational and entrepreneurship opportunities, new Ubuntu Agency initiatives, and continued development of Block IV.



5. Gir'Iteka

Street Children Support Program

Gir'Iteka supports children living in street situations and seeks to move beyond emergency assistance toward long-term restoration through outreach, protection, education, care and family reintegration.

- Outreach and identification of street-connected children
- Road to School educational support
- Residential care and daily meals
- Medical assistance
- Family reintegration
- Imboneza sports activities
- University support fund

6. Street Outreach

Reaching Children Where They Are

Our teams engage children living and working on the streets, build relationships of trust and identify appropriate pathways toward protection and reintegration.

2,165 children reached through outreach activities in 2025.

7. Road to School

Education Creates a New Future

Education is central to our strategy for breaking cycles of vulnerability. Through Road to School, children who have experienced street life or other forms of vulnerability receive assistance to return to school and continue their education.

150

children received school supplies

3

students completed secondary school

8. Food, Shelter and Child Protection

For children experiencing severe vulnerability, basic needs must often be addressed before long-term transformation becomes possible. Our residential support seeks to provide stability, care, education, discipline and belonging.

31,320

meals served

32

children provided residential care

9. Health and Medical Support

Children living in vulnerable circumstances frequently experience health challenges that require intervention. Through the generosity of partners, New Generation Burundi has been able to respond when a child's health and future were at risk.

70 children received medical assistance.

10. Family Reintegration

Restoring Children to Families and Communities

Where it is safe and appropriate, family reintegration remains an important objective of our child-protection work. Successful reintegration can mean restored relationships, renewed responsibility and the possibility of building a sustainable future within a family and community.

18 children were reintegrated with their families.

11. Gir'Ubuntu

Raising Young Servant Leaders

Gir'Ubuntu works with young people from different socio-economic backgrounds to promote leadership, reconciliation and community transformation.

- Healing of Memories — forgiveness and reconciliation
- Leadership clubs for youth
- Conferences in high schools and universities
- Entrepreneurship training
- Training in IT, entrepreneurship, English and social media skills

12. Leadership Development

We believe Burundi's future depends significantly on the values, character and capabilities of today's young generation. Our programs seek to develop leaders who understand leadership as service, responsibility and positive influence.

1,357

young people attended leadership
conferences

165

young people active in leadership clubs

13. Reaching Schools and Communities

New Generation Burundi takes its message of leadership, responsibility and transformation into schools, universities and communities, engaging young people around values, identity and their role in shaping Burundi's future.

8,000

students reached through school
competitions

2,200

people reached through community
events

14. Healing of Memories

Forgiveness and Reconciliation

Burundi's history has left wounds in individuals, families and communities. Through Healing of Memories, young people and community members are encouraged to confront pain, choose forgiveness and become ambassadors of reconciliation.

800+ people committed to forgiveness and positive life change.

15. Girls and Young Women

New Generation Burundi remains committed to empowering girls and young women by providing opportunities for them to develop their potential and participate meaningfully in society.

26 girls participated in the Girls-at-Risk program.

16. Imboneza Sports

Promoting Peace and Unity Through Sport

Sport creates opportunities to teach teamwork, discipline, respect and peaceful coexistence. Through Imboneza Sports, young people participate in healthy recreation while building relationships and receiving mentoring.

17. Vocational Training and Entrepreneurship

Leadership development must also respond to the economic realities facing young people. New Generation Burundi combines character and leadership formation with practical skills development.

- Information technology
- Entrepreneurship
- English
- Social media and digital skills

The objective is to help young people develop practical abilities that can contribute to employment, entrepreneurship and socio-economic independence.

18. Ubuntu Agency

Social Enterprise, Innovation and Economic Empowerment

During 2025, New Generation Burundi continued developing Ubuntu Agency as its social enterprise, vocational development and economic empowerment platform. Ubuntu Agency provides practical environments where young people can develop skills, gain work experience, explore entrepreneurship and participate in income-generating activities.

Existing activities

- Ubuntu Café — hospitality services combined with practical job training and employment opportunities.
- iMpamba — food production and catering services that create practical skills and work experience.
- Ubuntu Media — media production and digital training, including communication and audiovisual skills.
- Agricultural initiatives — activities supporting food security, production and economic empowerment.

18.1 Food Processing & Packaging Project

In 2025, Ubuntu Agency introduced the Food Processing & Packaging Scale-Up Project to strengthen local value-added production and create additional employment and training opportunities.

- Coffee roasting
- Espresso production and retail
- Maize milling
- Fresh juice processing
- Cereal packaging

The initiative is intended to create employment opportunities for former street-connected young people and generate sustainable income that can contribute to New Generation Burundi's wider social mission.

18.2 Gasorwe Agribusiness Project

Ubuntu Agency also advanced the Gasorwe Agribusiness Project, an integrated agriculture and livestock initiative designed to strengthen rural livelihoods, particularly for young people and women.

The project combines agricultural production, food processing and commercialization with livestock activities involving cows, pigs and chickens. It also integrates financial education, savings and investment to help beneficiaries sustain economic activities within their communities.

18.3 Building a Sustainable Social Enterprise Model

Together, Ubuntu Agency's activities demonstrate an important evolution in New Generation Burundi's approach to youth and community empowerment: moving beyond training alone toward practical economic ecosystems where young people and vulnerable families can learn, work, produce and build sustainable livelihoods.

We inspire you. We incubate you. We invest in you.

19. Infrastructure Development

Block IV — Building Capacity for the Future

One of New Generation Burundi's important infrastructure developments during 2025 was the continued construction of Block IV at the New Generation centre in Bujumbura. The project is designed to strengthen our capacity to serve vulnerable children, equip young people and support the continued growth of our programs.

Following an updated decision by the Board concerning the use of one room, Block IV will provide spaces for:

- Administrative and program offices

- Psychological and psychosocial counselling for street-connected and vulnerable children
- Youth leadership and vocational training
- A multimedia studio for recording, digital content production and live streaming
- Storage and other operational needs

The multimedia studio will support video and audio recording, interviews, podcasts, educational and leadership content, testimonies, and live streaming of conferences, training sessions and events. Construction progressed during 2025, with the structural foundation completed and work advancing on other parts of the building.

Building spaces. Developing people. Communicating hope. Transforming generations.

20. Transportation Support

Another important development during 2025 was the donation of a 35-seat bus. The vehicle supports safe transportation of children to school and activities and can also support income-generating activities designed to strengthen sustainability.

21. Voices of Change

Behind Every Number Is a Life

Chanelle — A Chance to Learn

Chanelle struggled to focus at school because she often had nothing to eat during the day. Through New Generation Burundi, she received school supplies, a uniform and daily meals. Today, she studies with greater confidence and her grades have improved.

David — From Crisis to Recovery

David had lived on the streets since the age of seven after losing both parents. After a hit-and-run accident left his leg broken in two places, partners helped mobilize support for surgery and rehabilitation. Today, he has recovered, no longer uses crutches, lives in one of New Generation's children's homes and is preparing to return to school.

Dorine — From the Streets to University

After surviving on the streets with her siblings, Dorine found safety and education through New Generation Burundi. Today, she is finishing university and working at Ubuntu Café. She hopes to help other vulnerable children.

Faustin — A Life Transformed

Faustin joined New Generation Burundi at the age of ten. Today, he works as a sound technician at Ubuntu Media and dreams of becoming a professional sound engineer.

From vulnerability to opportunity, and from receiving help to helping others.

22. The People Behind the Mission

Behind every transformation is a dedicated team serving vulnerable children and young people across Burundi.

Name	Role	Contribution
Philemon Bigirimana	National Coordinator	Joined New Generation in 2008 as a beneficiary and now oversees national programs and leadership development initiatives.
Alain Gildas Nzeyimana	Program Manager	Coordinates and monitors New Generation programs.
Eric Nimbona	Gir'Iteka Program Officer	Came to New Generation as a street child at age five and today helps other children leave the streets and rebuild their lives.
Désiré Nininahazwe	Gir'Ubuntu Program Officer	Works with youth leadership clubs and helps train young people to become responsible leaders.
Ngabire Lys Neilla	Youth Development	Supports youth development activities and leadership programs.

Ketty Bigirimana	Administrative Officer	Supports the administrative and organizational systems that enable programs to operate effectively.
Nsengiyumva Nathanael	Finance Manager	Responsible for financial management, accountability and reporting.
Jinama Edwige	Engineer and Operations Manager	Oversees infrastructure projects and operational systems supporting New Generation's programs.
Ibukusenge Khelsea	Logistics Officer	Ensures logistical coordination for programs, events and field activities.

23. Challenges and Resilience

Our achievements in 2025 came despite significant operational challenges. These experiences reinforced the importance of sustainable operating models, diversified economic activities and resilient infrastructure.

- Fuel shortages affecting transportation
- Rising food prices
- Electricity shortages affecting operations
- Resource limitations affecting the pace of infrastructure development
- Transportation challenges for construction materials

24. Looking Ahead — 2026

Building on the progress achieved in 2025, New Generation Burundi aims to continue strengthening and expanding its impact.

- Expand youth leadership clubs and conferences.
- Strengthen vocational training and entrepreneurship programs.
- Grow Ubuntu Agency and its social enterprise initiatives.
- Develop food processing and agribusiness activities.
- Increase support for vulnerable children returning to school.
- Continue developing Block IV.
- Develop multimedia and digital outreach through recording and live streaming.

25. Our Vision Remains Clear

Our work may begin with a vulnerable child, but our vision extends to the future of an entire nation.

We believe today's street-connected child can become tomorrow's professional. Today's student can become tomorrow's entrepreneur. Today's young participant can become tomorrow's servant leader. Today's young person with a talent can become tomorrow's creator, innovator and employer. A young person who once received support can one day become a leader who supports others. A vulnerable family can become economically empowered.

A Burundi transformed by a new generation of servant leaders.

Thank You

To every individual, church, organization, donor, volunteer, staff member and friend who stood with New Generation Burundi during 2025: thank you.

Every meal served, every child returned to school, every medical intervention, every leadership conference, every family reintegration, every training opportunity, every new economic initiative and every step forward in developing our infrastructure was made possible through partnership.

Together, we are investing in children, young leaders, families, communities and the future of Burundi.

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