



FOAG Summer Appeal 2022

Help us power life-changing operations

Imagine your local hospital having a power outage just before a loved one was about to have an important operation.

Now imagine that the hospital power cuts out for two hours a day, every single day.

It's unthinkable, isn't it?

Not for Kumi Hospital, five hours north-east of Uganda's capital city Kampala, where doctors and patients have had to get used to it.

Dr Nicholas Alinda, medical director at the 300-bed hospital, explains:

"On average we have about two hours per day of power blackouts on weekdays during the rainy season. This gets worse when it is stormy and power lines fall. This can lead to several days without power.

"Often when we are in the theatre, power can go off and we only see sunlight through the transparent roof sheets that are built over the operating beds. The power drills, suction machines, and fluoroscopy machines all stop.

"Also, the radiology department, laboratory, and accounts don't work whenever we have a black-out. This affects the outpatient department with patients being stuck in line. It is a huge challenge."

Dr Alinda, his staff and his patients are desperate for power and that's where we come in.

For this year's Summer Appeal we want to raise £16,000 to buy a new generator for Kumi Hospital.

The need is immediate, and the impact will be nothing short of lifesaving. Thank you for any support you can give.

For How to donate, and for a brief report on last year's Appeal, please see over the page.



A group of Kumi Hospital's nurses

How you can donate to FOAG

Online with give.net

It couldn't be easier to give a one-off, or regular payment direct to FOAG with Give.Net.

You can find FOAG's donation page at www.give.net/20023984. Then simply choose the amount you would like to donate.

In the box marked 'any details or reference' please write Summer Appeal 2022.

Please tick the box to share your contact details so we can acknowledge your support personally.

Online bank transfer

Or to FOAG at NatWest Bank: sort code 53-81-33, account No. 08376158, account name Farmers Overseas Action Group, with reference Summer Appeal 2022.

Donate by Cheque

Please send your cheques, made payable to FOAG, to Robin Dean, FOAG Administrator, Rectory Cottage, Stanford Bridge, Worcester, WR6 6ST. Please write on the back Summer Appeal 2022.

The importance of Gift Aid

Whichever way you choose to donate, recovering Gift Aid on all eligible donations is particularly important as it increases their value by 25%. We hold completed declarations from many of our members. However, when a donation is received where we do not hold one, our Administrator Robin Dean will forward you the necessary form and ask you if you are able to complete and return it, when he thanks you for your donation.

Summer Appeal 2021: 75 new silos bought to help farmers in need

Thanks to everyone who supported our 2021 Summer Appeal. With your help we purchased 75 metal silos for around 50 small-scale Ugandan farmers to store food in their own homes. Without these effective air-tight silos, we expect at least one third of the farmers' harvest to rot or be eaten by pests before it gets to the people that need it.

Preventing these losses is therefore the difference between a family having enough to eat or going hungry, so thank you!

Given the success of this simple intervention, more farmers are asking for silos to improve their storage. If you'd like to help, you can by a 1,250-litre silo for a farmer for £133. To donate to this project or learn more about it please contact Will Surman at info@foag.org.



A FOAG silo gets collected by a Namalu farmer