



WILLOW
INTERNATIONAL

Annual Report 2021



Founder's Letter

Faithful friends of Willow,

As we all know, 2021 was another hard year. In Uganda where Willow operates, the Covid-19 pandemic continued to impact the most vulnerable communities, including the women and children we serve. Rising unemployment, political unrest, and deadly bomb attacks only deepened the difficulty and sense of crisis.

Because of your dedicated support, Willow was able to face these challenges and threats head on. Your generosity enabled our frontline team to walk the journey of restoration with hundreds of women and children, while taking great strides towards trafficking prevention. In the face of powerful global forces, we saw remarkable impact through your partnership:

- 325 survivors received holistic care
- 2,179 individual counseling sessions provided
- 109 survivors received formal education support
- 127 survivors received legal aid

As we look to the future, I am grateful for your support and partnership over the years which has brought Willow to the place where we can cast a brighter and bolder vision. In January 2022, Willow joined forces with 10ThousandWindows to become EverFree. Together, we free communities from human trafficking and empower survivors everywhere to flourish in freedom - forever.

It is a privilege to be on this mission with you.



Kelsey Morgan

Founder & Executive Director, Willow International
Co-Founder & Chief Impact Officer, EverFree



Restoration

Amidst the economic and social hardships brought by Covid-19 and other crises, Willow's dedicated frontline team strove to restore each trafficking survivor's hope by providing safe refuge, love, and the support needed to heal from trauma and to rebuild their lives.

Through our safe homes, counseling, medical care, education programs, and legal support services, each survivor was empowered with tools to heal from exploitation and forge a life of dignity and hope.

109

survivors cared for in 3
safe homes

457

survivors received
medical care

2,179

counseling sessions

109

survivors supported with
education

51

survivors started
businesses or found
good jobs

127

survivors received
legal aid

A second chance at life

When Birungi accepted a job offer in India, she believed it would change her family's future for the better.

But when Birungi arrived in India, her hopes and dreams were shattered. She was taken to a dark and dingy apartment where she and other young women were forced to service the men who came during the night. When Birungi tried to defend herself, she was brutally beaten and sexually assaulted. This carried on for a month until the local police were alerted. They removed the women from the apartment, arrested the trafficker, and helped Birungi return home.



"I have a second chance to live."

- Birungi

SEX TRAFFICKING SURVIVOR

When Birungi landed in Uganda, she was immediately welcomed into Willow's care. She was deeply traumatized and suffered from depression. At Willow, Birungi received medical care, intensive psychosocial support and financial services. And after months of dedicated support, she is stable and preparing to open a small shop that will provide for herself and her children.

Prevention

While a number of challenges surfaced in 2021, Willow's prevention team was unstoppable. Our staff collaborated with government agencies, legislators, and humanitarian organizations on issues of forced migration, policy development and anti-trafficking tools.

41

justice sector
stakeholders trained to
implement policies that
protect and uphold the
rights of victims of
trafficking

294

government
stakeholders trained
to respond effectively
to human trafficking
cases

93

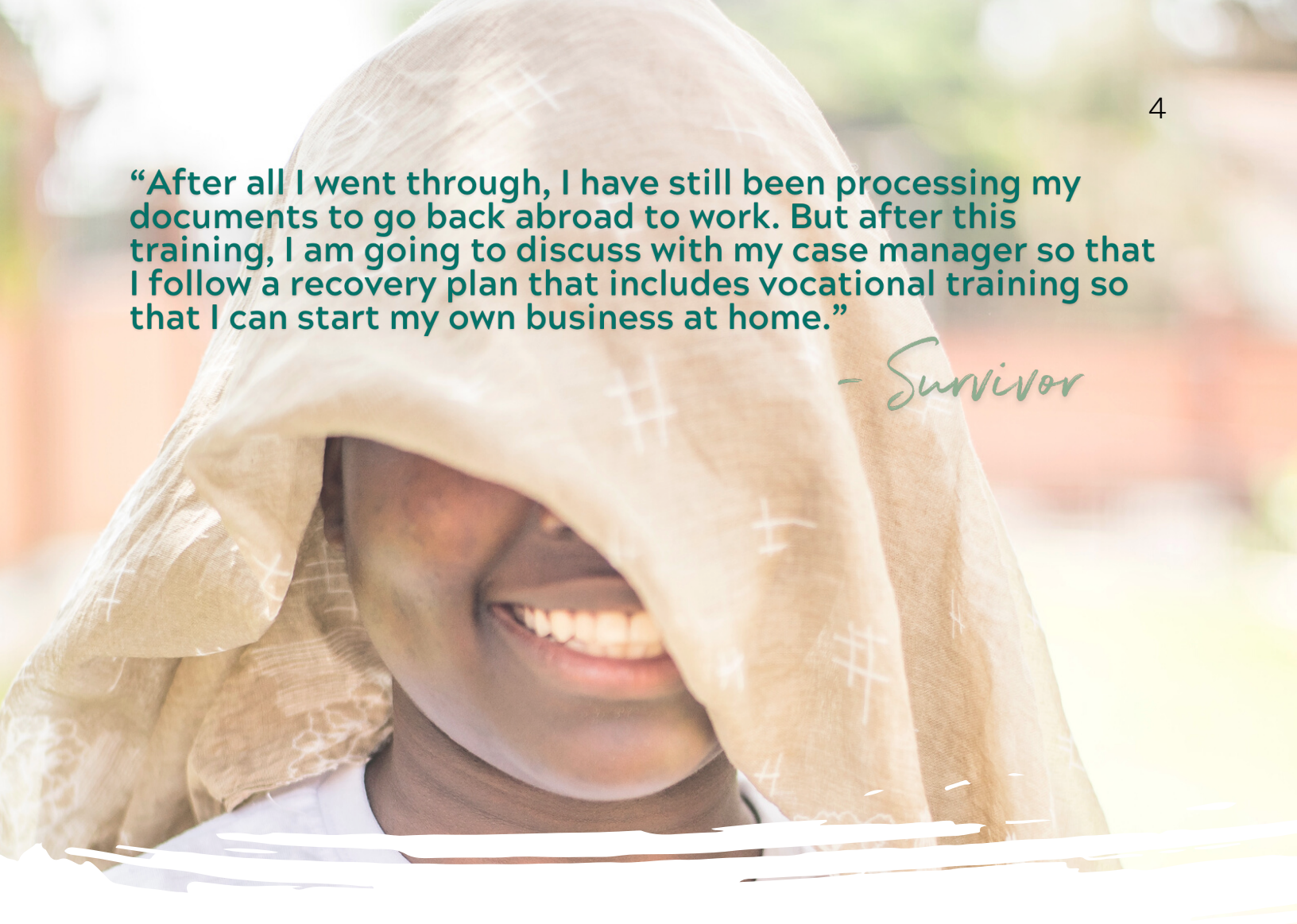
survivors trained in
their legal rights and
how to access justice

7,700

community members
reached through radio
talk shows

3.1 million

youth and community
members educated about
trafficking through social
media and other online
platform



“After all I went through, I have still been processing my documents to go back abroad to work. But after this training, I am going to discuss with my case manager so that I follow a recovery plan that includes vocational training so that I can start my own business at home.”

- Survivor

Partnership

In 2021, Willow’s strategic partnerships led to significant impact as we trained government officials on critical human trafficking issues like victim identification, trafficker prosecution, and judicial proceedings.

- Willow contributed to the comparative analysis of the Anti-Slavery Bill and the Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Act
- Willow leaders presented to the Legal and Parliamentary Affairs Committee on amendments to the Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Act



A mother is free because of her son's quick thinking

When Ssonko watched his mom board a flight from Kampala, Uganda to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) earlier this year, he hoped her new job as a domestic worker would lift them out of poverty and change their family's future.

But after a few months, Ssonko's mother text messages and calls suddenly stopped. At first, he chalked it up to her being busy at work or unpredictable Internet. When the silence stretched from days to weeks, he began to worry and didn't know what to do.

In July 2021, Ssonko joined a webinar about human trafficking organized by Willow. During the meeting, he shared his mother's story. This raised a red flag for Willow's team, who immediately launched into action, contacting a partner organization in the UAE.

It wasn't long before Ssonko's mother was found. She had been trafficked and forced to work in unimaginable conditions. The moment she arrived at her new job, her employer confiscated her passport and visa. She was not paid her promised salary. And when she made a mistake, she was severely beaten. After a few months, they kicked her out of the house leaving her badly injured, destitute, and with no support.

Together, Willow and its partners were able to intervene quickly. In just one week, they located Ssonko's mother, helped her exit exploitation, and repatriated her back home to her children. She is now safely in Willow's care, healing from trauma and starting to rebuild her life.

"You don't know how much you have supported us," said Ssonko.

Thank you so much. My mom is safe and doing well, and I am so happy she is alive."

Financial Information

Income Statement Summary

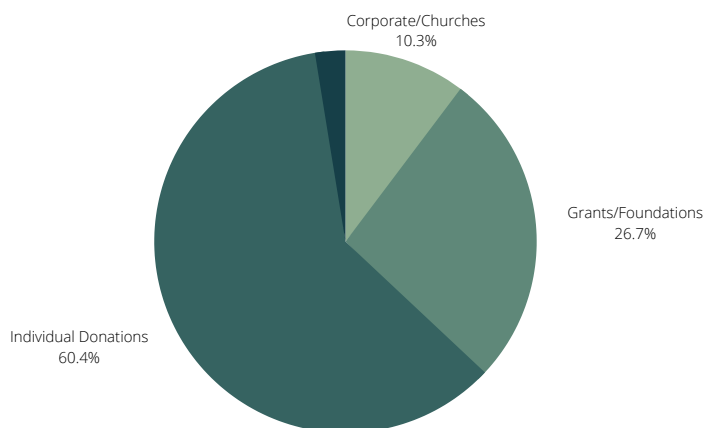
2021

Revenue	1,634,680
Expenses	1,413,825
NET	\$220,855

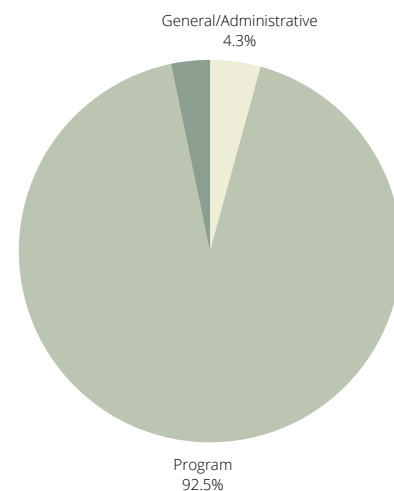
Balance Sheet Summary

Cash	\$648,829.33
Total Assets	\$795,054.76
Total Liabilities	\$0
Total Net Assets	\$795,054.76
Temporarily Restricted	\$146,225.43
Unrestricted Financial Assets	\$648,829.33

Revenue Sources



Expenditures





Funders & Partners

UBSOF
Global Fund to End Modern Slavery
Red Oak
Change a Path
Rescue Freedom International
United Nations Office of Drugs and
Crime
One Day's Wages
Imago Dei Foundation
Urgent Action Fund
International Foundation

Uganda Coalition Against TIP
Human Trafficking Institute
Coordination Office of Prevention of
TIP
Uganda Police Force
Directorate of Public Prosecution
Hope's Cry
Make a Child Smile
Ministry of Gender, Labor, and Social
Development
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