

A Home for a Home



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**SOS CHILDREN'S
VILLAGES**

Reach and Impact 2025

28,300

children and youth directly reached

8,000

families directly reached

243,400

indirect programme participants

222,000

children and adults reached through humanitarian projects

9 projects (6 development and 3 humanitarian)

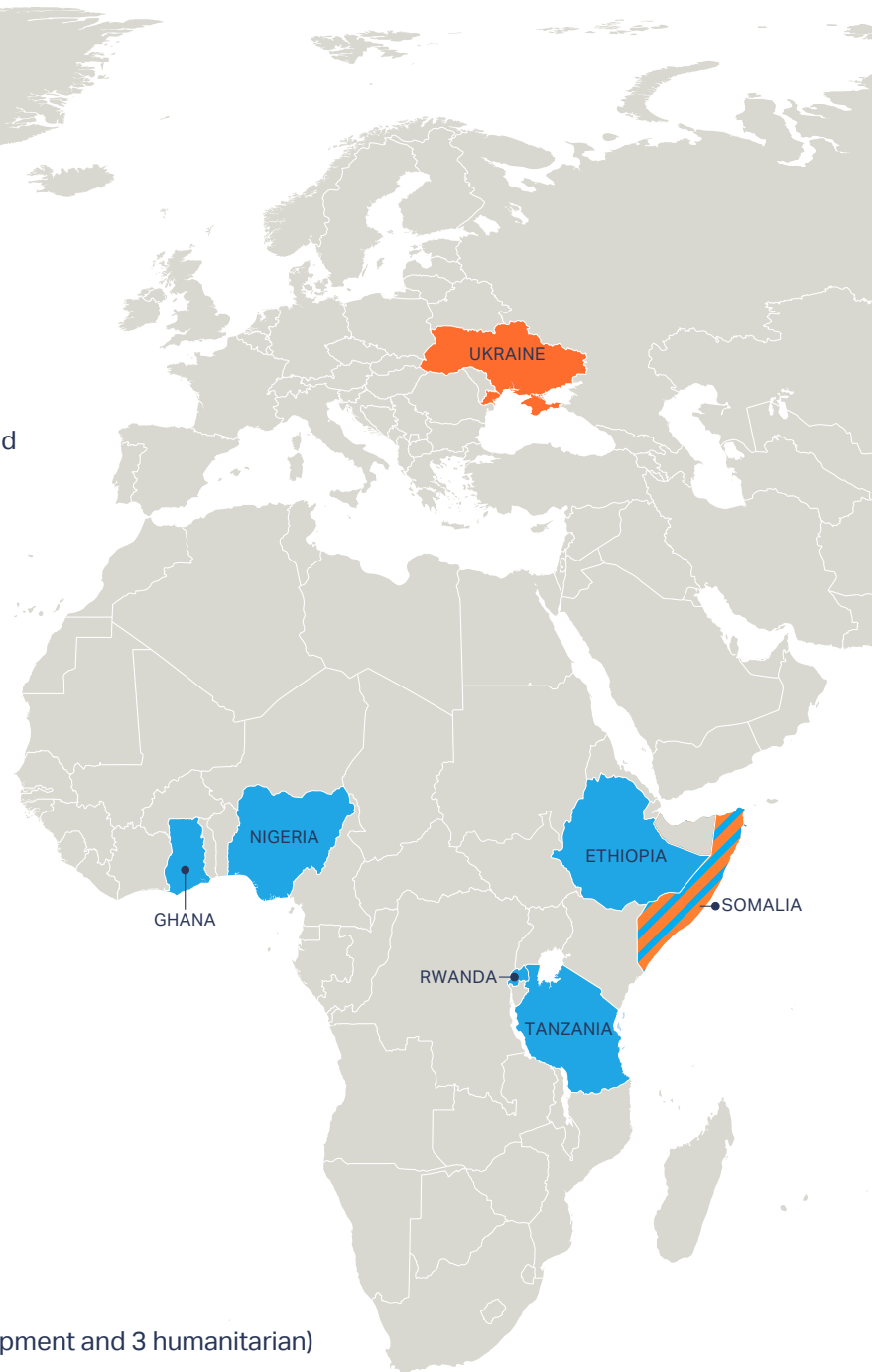
 SOS CV development (long-term) projects*

 Humanitarian (emergency) projects

 Both SOS CV development and humanitarian projects

*Previously named "global" projects

Note: Figures are rounded to the nearest hundred; detailed figures are shown in the attached results frameworks.

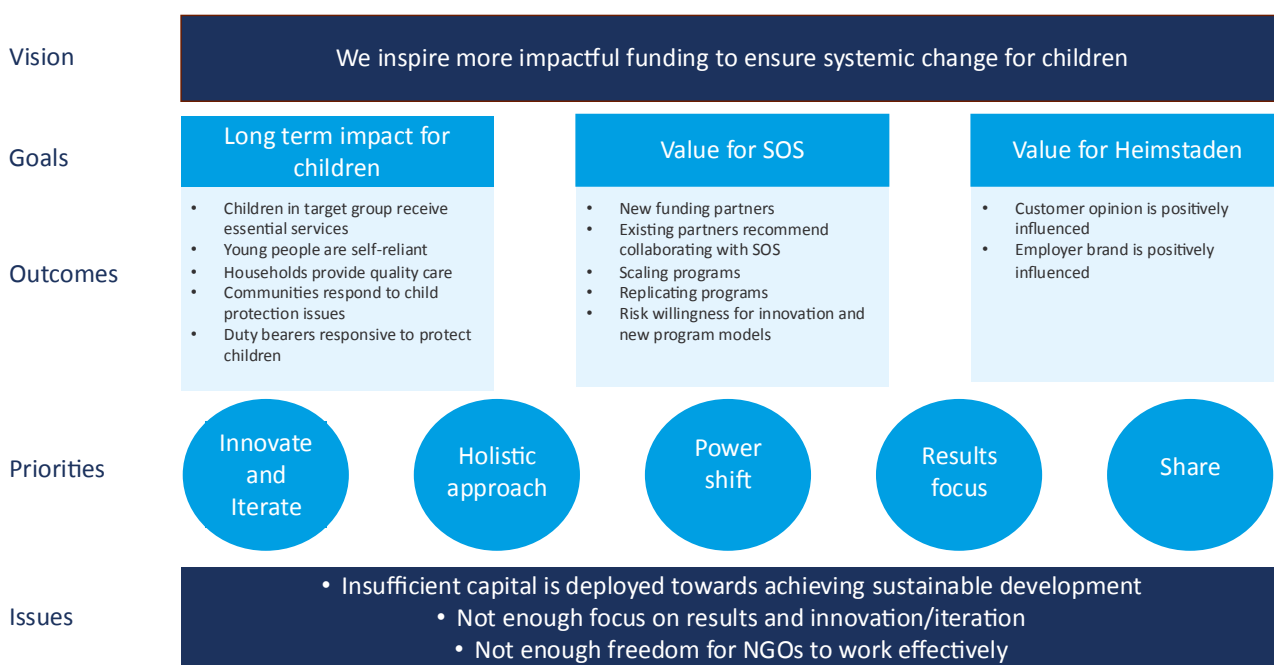


Scope of the Partnership

Since its launch in July 2021, the partnership has contributed more than EUR 42 million to support 56 projects across 26 countries. Together, these projects have directly reached over 115,000 children and young people through development projects and more than 432,000 children and adults through humanitarian projects, while indirectly benefiting more than 1.5 million people.

Building on the learnings from the 2024 *Partnering for Impact* report, the partnership framework has been refined to strengthen additionality and maximize value for both SOS Children's Villages Norway and Heimstaden Bostad. Through *A Home for a Home*, value is created for Heimstaden Bostad beyond financial contributions, including through co-creation, skills sharing, and employee engagement. At the same time, innovative pilots and lessons from the partnership have enabled SOS Children's Villages Norway to attract four new funding partners and further strengthen its approach to partnerships. Most importantly, this mutually reinforcing, value-added approach has contributed to more sustainable, long-term impact for children.

A Home for a Home Strategic Partnership Framework



Investing in Pilot Innovations

A key pillar of *A Home for a Home* has been the investment in 16 pilot projects across diverse contexts to test and scale innovative approaches to child protection and family strengthening. These pilots have enabled flexible responses to evolving vulnerabilities while generating evidence on effective interventions.

Among these, the Children in Street Situations (CiSS) Programme in Ethiopia, Rwanda, and Tanzania stands out for its strong results across prevention, rescue, rehabilitation, and reintegration. The project has supported children to leave street situations and reunite with their families, while strengthening systems through government engagement and local partnerships. Similarly, the Hydroponics Project in Somalia demonstrates how targeted pilot funding can unlock innovative, climate-resilient solutions. By combining hydroponic farming, fodder production, solar energy skills, and livestock support, the project has empowered women and youth from IDP and host communities to build sustainable livelihoods.

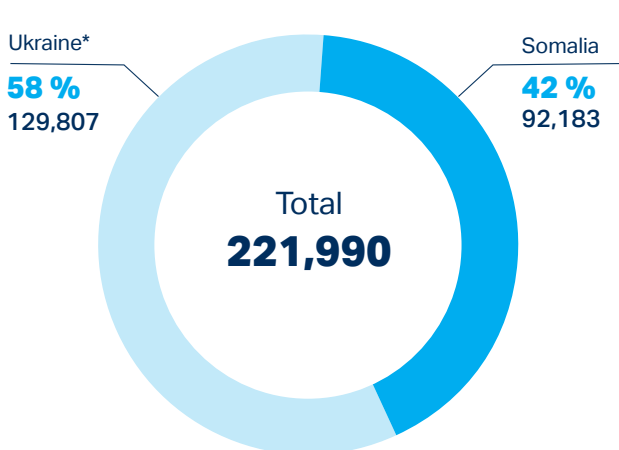


The Home for a Home Portfolio 2025

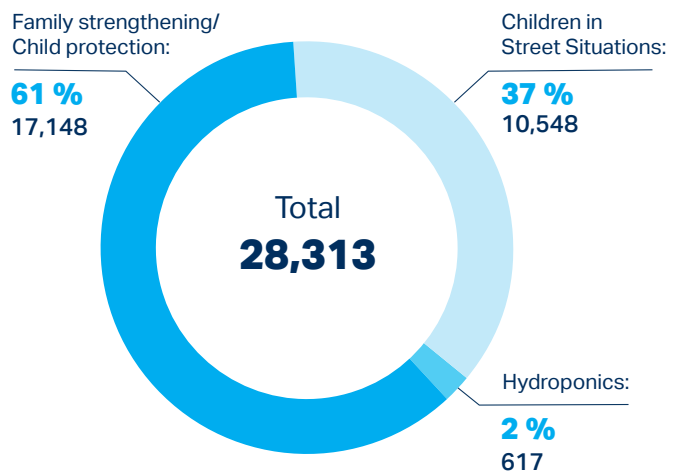
In 2025, the *A Home for a Home* portfolio includes nine projects, each designed with context-specific objectives and measured through dedicated results frameworks comprising defined outcomes, outputs, and indicators. To capture overall programme reach and impact, the projects are grouped into four thematic areas: **Family Strengthening and Child Protection** (Ghana, Nigeria, and Tanzania); **Children in Street Situations** (Ethiopia, Rwanda, and Tanzania); **Hydroponics** (Somalia); and **Humanitarian Response** (Somalia and Ukraine), including support for an Education in Emergencies project.

Of the nine projects supported by Heimstaden Bostad, three are humanitarian (emergency response) interventions, that reached **221,990 children and adults** in 2025. The remaining development (long-term support) projects focusing on family strengthening, children in street situations, and hydroponics directly reached **28,313 children and youth**, and **7,891 families**.

Children and adults reached with humanitarian support.



Number of children and youth directly supported with development support.



*Heimstaden Bostad's contribution supports the broader humanitarian response project in Ukraine, alongside other donors.



"Before, every dry spell filled me with fear. I had no dairy livestock, no savings, and no way to protect my children from hunger. Now, I have milk for my children and some income from selling surplus milk. For the first time in years, I can plan ahead"

Fadumo, 39-year-old mother of ten in Baidoa, Somalia



Family Strengthening and Child Protection

Families in **Tanzania, Ghana, and Nigeria** continue to face significant pressures driven by a global polycrisis, including climate change, economic instability, and geopolitical tensions. These challenges disproportionately affect vulnerable households, increasing the risk of family separation when caregivers are unable to meet their children's basic needs.

In Ghana, caregivers are particularly vulnerable to exploitation by traffickers who offer false promises of education and care. Many children are instead forced into hazardous labour in the fishing industry. In response, SOS Children's Villages works closely with local partners and authorities to rescue affected children, reunite them with their families, and strengthen caregivers' economic resilience and parenting capacities. In Nigeria and Tanzania, Family Strengthening projects provide tailored, holistic support to families at risk of separation, enabling them to achieve greater economic stability and provide safe, nurturing care for their children.

2025 marks the final year of Heimstaden Bostad's financial support for the Nigeria Family Strengthening Project. However, the project was designed with sustainability and local ownership at the core, with a strong focus on strengthening community structures and government systems to ensure continued impact.

In 2025, over **143,500 people benefited indirectly** from community-based initiatives, while **4,190 families received direct support**- including psychosocial services, parenting training, and income-generating activities- reaching over **17,100 children and youth**.

Key Programme Results – 2025

- **12,231 children** have access to at least three basic needs (food, clothes, medical care, shelter).
- Of **10,862 school-going children, 87% (9,450)** demonstrated satisfactory educational performance.
- In Ghana, 5 additional children were rescued from child labour, bringing the cumulative total to **332 children rescued**, of whom **226 have been successfully reintegrated** with their families.
- **1,081 young people** earn sufficient income to meet their basic needs, with 1,130 in decent employment.
- **1,274 families** exited the projects as economically self-reliant.
- **4,791 caregivers** strengthened their parenting skills to better protect and support their children.
- In Tanzania, in collaboration with the government, the project supported the development of the national Parenting Group Guidelines and established 32 parenting groups, reaching **15,780 vulnerable families**.
- Seed capital was provided to 38 Village Saving and Loans Associations in Nigeria, enabling increased group savings and the launch of **392 businesses**.
- In Ghana, awareness on child labour and trafficking was expanded through intensified radio campaigns, reaching over **21,000 people**, alongside information materials displayed in homes, schools, and public spaces, reaching an additional 5,000 community members.



Children in Street Situations

In 2025, the Children in Street Situations (CiSS) programme continued in Ethiopia, Rwanda, and Tanzania. Launched in Ethiopia in 2022 with pilot funding from Heimstaden Bostad and expanded in 2023, the programme began with Heimstaden Bostad as the sole funding partner, with additional donors joining following strong results. The programme is distinctive in the region, as few organisations address the complex and long-term needs of children living on the streets.

Children enter street situations due to poverty, family breakdown, abuse, and weak social protection systems. Once on the streets, they face heightened risks of violence, exploitation, substance abuse, gang involvement, and poor mental health. Globally, an estimated 100-150 million children live in street situations, including approximately 30 million in Africa.

The CiSS programme applies a comprehensive approach combining prevention, rehabilitation, reintegration, and systems strengthening. It works to strengthen families and raise community awareness to reduce the drivers of street migration. Children already on the streets are supported to access shelter, education, and mental health services, and, where possible, are reunited with their families or placed in safe alternative care. Close collaboration with government and local partners ensures stronger child protection systems and more sustainable, long-term support services.

Key Programme Results – 2025

- **4,900 children and youth were rescued from street situations**, with 5,549 receiving mental health and psychosocial support and 5,056 accessing educational support.
- **1,529 children were successfully reunified with families** or placed in stable alternative care, including foster care.
- **1,537 families strengthened their economic resilience.** In Rwanda, 59 Village Savings and Loans groups, comprising of 1,477 caregivers, were supported with training and toolkits.
- **1,877 families received parenting training**, while 2,929 caregivers are now able to identify child protection risks and violations of children's rights, reflecting the broader reach of awareness and follow-up activities beyond formal training.
- **50,133 community members gained increased awareness** of the challenges facing children in street situations.
- In Tanzania, the project, in collaboration with the government, played a key role in the development of a National Action Plan on Children in Street Situations.
- In Ethiopia and Rwanda, community volunteers at both places of origin and destination strengthened project sustainability and relevance. Volunteers trained by the projects supported outreach, awareness-raising, case follow-up, and direct support to children and families.
- Over **98,000 people benefited** indirectly from project interventions across the three countries.



Hydroponics Project in Somalia

Somalia continues to face overlapping crises driven by climate change, protracted conflict, and economic fragility. In Baidoa City, where the Hydroponics Project is implemented, nearly half a million internally displaced people face high unemployment and are dependant on climate-sensitive livelihoods, leaving communities highly vulnerable to recurrent drought, crop failure, and livestock losses.

With seed funding from Heimstaden Bostad, SOS Children's Villages launched the Hydroponics Project in 2022 to promote climate-resilient livelihoods. The project integrates hydroponic farming, fodder production, solar energy skills development, and livestock support, with a strong focus on empowering women and youth. Sustainability is central to the design, including the gradual handover of hydroponic farms to women's and youth groups, alongside close collaboration with government ministries and local authorities to strengthen local ownership.

By 2025, the project has contributed to improved food security, restored livelihoods, and strengthened resilience across communities in Baidoa. Heimstaden Bostad's catalytic support has been instrumental in enabling the testing of innovative, locally identified solutions, demonstrating their potential to be scaled.



Key Programme Results – 2025

- **10 hydroponic farms** were established across five villages and are managed by women's and youth groups, enabling year-round vegetable production despite drought conditions. The groups completed three harvest cycles and sold high-quality produce at competitive market prices.
- A total of **100 youth and women farmers** were trained in climate-smart hydroponic farming, including system setup, maintenance, and basic business and entrepreneurship skills. As a result, 95% have increased their income and achieved food security, and more than 75% have replicated hydroponic systems in surrounding villages.
- **80 households**, primarily women who lost livestock during drought, received 584 goats and cows, along with training in improved animal husbandry practices.
- **50 youth** from both host and internally displaced communities completed training in solar technology, with 88% now self-employed and earning income through installation and repair services.
- **100 household-level hydroponic fodder systems** were established, and households were trained in climate-smart fodder production as an alternative source of animal feed.
- **A partnership was established with IBS Bank** to link farmer groups and supported households to savings schemes, bank accounts, and access to interest-free loans to support micro-business development.



Humanitarian Projects

Children have now lived through more than four years of war in **Ukraine**. Many have spent extended periods in bomb shelters, and more than 17,000 children have lost one or both parents. Constant exposure to violence has led to widespread trauma, stress, and sleep disturbances, significantly increasing the need for mental health and psychosocial support. Ongoing displacement, unemployment, energy shortages, and food insecurity have further contributed to rising domestic violence and family breakdown. In 2025, support from Heimstaden Bostad enabled SOS Children's Villages Ukraine to **reach over 129,800 people**, including more than **73,800 children and 40,400 women** in high-risk regions with mental health services, cash assistance, foster family support, and family reunification through its eight permanent offices and mobile health teams.

In **Somalia**, prolonged drought, conflict, and climate change have displaced more than 3.5 million people, often multiple times due to flooding or violence, increasing the risk of family separation. Extreme poverty has left families struggling to meet basic needs, placing many young children at risk of acute malnutrition and related health issues. With support from Heimstaden Bostad, **SOS Somalia reached more than 82,100 people** in 2025, including over **16,920 children and 43,000 women**, delivering health care, psychosocial support, nutrition services, WASH assistance, and livelihood support.

In 2025, Heimstaden Bostad provided critical emergency funding to sustain the Himilo Waxbarasho Education in Emergencies Project in Somalia following the sudden withdrawal of USAID support. This funding enabled **10,024 crisis-affected children, including 1,232 with disabilities**, to access education while strengthening education quality, child protection, and mental health services.

Key Programme Results – 2025

- **3,710 children and caregivers in Ukraine, and 18,081 in Somalia**, received group or individual mental health support.
- In Ukraine, **4,900 families** received cash assistance to meet basic needs and strengthen resilience, and **606 children accessed medical rehabilitation** services for war-related injuries.
- In Somalia, **3,481 safe deliveries** were supported in health facilities, and **2,516 severely malnourished children** received therapeutic feeding and medical care.
- Across Ukraine and Somalia, ten child-friendly safe spaces were established, reaching almost **10,000 children** to improve their mental health and well-being through arts, sports, games, and play.



Financial reporting

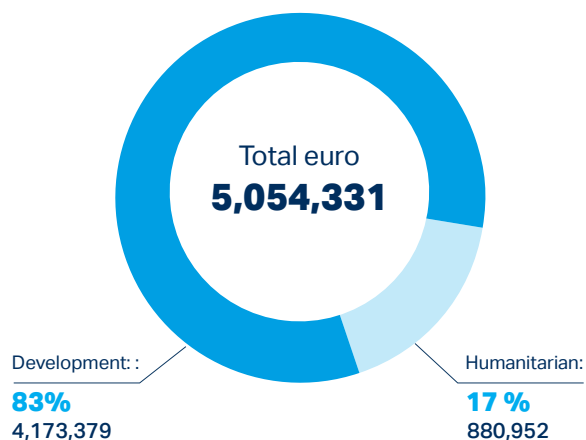
In 2025, the total contribution from Heimstaden Bostad amounted to EUR 4,999,998. In addition, EUR 611,279 in unspent funds was carried over from previous years. Of the total available funds, EUR 400,000 was allocated to administration and VAT, leaving EUR 5,211,277 available for programme implementation in 2025.

The financial report for 2025 shows that total programmatic expenditure totalled EUR 5,054,331. Of this, EUR 4,173,379 was allocated to development programmes and EUR 880,952 to humanitarian programmes.

As of the end of 2025, total underspending amounts to EUR 156,946. This balance will be carried forward and allocated to the 2026 budget.

Donation overview 2025	EUR
Total donation 2025	4,999,998
Unspent 2024	611,279
Total admin and VAT	400,000
Total available for programs 2025	5,211,277

Programmatic expenditure by type



Status 2025	EUR
Available funding	5,211,277
Expenditures 2025	5,054,331
Unspent as of end 2025	156,946



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H4H Portfolio 2025	Country	Budget 2025	Expenditure 2025	Deviation	Comments
Child Labour	Ghana	200 000	200 000	0	
Family Strengthening Program	Nigeria	1 060 000	980 500	79 500	
Childcare, protection and youth	Tanzania	820 000	820 000	0	
Children in Street situations	Ethiopia	800 000	749 879	50 121	
Children in Street situations	Rwanda	500 000	500 000	0	
Children in Street situations	Tanzania	500 000	500 000	0	
Hydroponics	Somalia	400 000	400 000	0	
Emergency Horn of Africa-Somalia	Somalia	500 000	500 000	0	
Education in Emergencies	Somalia	170 000	190 476	-20 476	Funding was approved using 2024 underspent funds
Emergency Ukraine	Ukraine	200 000	190 476	9 524	
CiSS Review Meeting	ESAF	21 000	21 000	0	Contribution to CiSS learning and review meeting
Employee Training Heimstaden	Czech Republic	2 000	2 000	0	Prevention & Response Group trainings provided to Heimstaden Czech
Total		5 173 000	5 054 331	118 669	