



**WATOTO WASOKA**  
FOOTBALL MADE IN SLUMS

# Gratitude Report 2018



## MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

**2018**

was a glorious year for Football Made in Slums. We couldn't have asked for more. Your support still sails us through.

Our biggest highlight continues to be Football 4 WASH with Viva con Agua. Over the last couple of years, we worked on how we could combine the passion we have for football and for kids with social development. We found our ground in water sanitation and hygiene (W.A.S.H) sensitisation, and then we met Viva con Agua in 2015. The rest is history.

As you may later read in detail, the Primary Schools League, the Slums Derby and the Christmas Camp continue to grow in majesty and impact.

We finally made it into the streetfootballworld network. It took us a couple of years re-aligning our activities and the operations of our NGO, and it made us a better organisation. The membership makes us a part of a global movement and network of more than a hundred organisations using football to change the world.

A huge thank you to dozens of individuals and organisations who support Football Made in Slums, and to the tens of volunteers who donate their time to give the kids a time of their lives.

We are not done yet, 2019 will be even more exciting, with Football 4 WASH and the girls' programmes taking more centre stage. Tighten your seat belt and let's ride into 2019 with more enthusiasm because thousands of slum kids will come, play and learn, but most importantly – melt your hearts with thousands of smiles.

With warmth, a thousand smiles and gratitude,

**Francis Mugoya,  
Executive Director**



# Introduction

## Who we are

Founded in 2009, Watoto Wasoka is a youth-led football for development organisation based in the heart of Kampala's biggest slums. We use football as a vehicle for positive social change in the lives of slum children in Uganda. Through structured football programmes, we seek to change lives, one game at a time.

We organise the biggest football events for youth in Uganda and East Africa, if not Africa, with our last Slums Derby attracting more than 1,500 kids in 2019, while the last Christmas Camp was attended by more than 2,500 boys and girls from all over Uganda.

### Vision:

Changing lives of slum children in Uganda, one game at a time, through structured and regular football programmes.

### Mission:

To create purposeful opportunities for play in a safe environment for slum children in Uganda.

### Our objective:

To empower, mobilise and educate slums children through football.



## Values

### Integrity

demonstrating the highest level of honesty with participants and partners.



### Sportsmanship and fair play

fair, generous and treat everyone with respect.



### People development

every participant and team member learns to become better.



### Joy

fun and enjoyment of what everyone does with us.







## What we do

Working with more than 6,000 children, we organise programmes such as;

### Football 4 WASH

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Football 4 WASH is an educative combination of football and health. The programme involves developing, training and implementing football exercises called "drills," which combine fun, play and health education.

The programme involves trainings, workshops and competitions in schools and communities to raise awareness on key health issues and the practices of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH). Through the programme we bring WASH education to more than 6,000 kids every year in Uganda.

With the support of our collaborators Viva con Agua, Football 4 WASH brings WASH services to a further 1,500 kids through WASH hardware (toilets, water tanks and towers etc) in the best performing schools in the programme.

This promotes hygienic behaviour and further reduces the prevalence of WASH related diseases and infections in the children.



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### Primary Schools League



Played on the basis of the UEFA Champions League format, the league brings football and scholarships to hundreds of slum kids since 2016. The league was created to bring more educational opportunities for slum kids through sports scholarships and bursaries in primary schools around Uganda. Since 2017, we also have the Girls' Primary schools Championship.

The schools in close vicinity are seeded into groups, where they compete against each other on a home and away basis starting out in March. The best teams from each group then qualify for the knock out rounds where they meet schools from other regions, and compete till the final which is a one – legged game at a neutral ground in August.

Most importantly, the league games also include workshops on Football 4 WASH drills, helping the kids to win not only on the pitch but also off it through vital health education.



## What we do

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### Slums Derby



Arguably the biggest festival for slum kids in Uganda, the Slums Derby truly brings football home. Slum kids from all over Kampala and beyond can use that weekend in May to fight for the bragging rights in the slums.

The programme also includes workshops designed around Football 4 WASH games that helps the participants to engage in fun-filled learning.

We invite teachers and coaches from schools around the country to scout and present the kids with opportunities that range from scholarships, bursaries to placements.

We run all this in the middle of Kampala's biggest slums. Since 2013, and every other year, we take the festival to a new slum. We are coming to a slum near you.

### Christmas Camp

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With an average of 2,500 participants every year, the Christmas Camp is the biggest of its kind in East Africa, if not Africa.

Happening every year between 28th December and 4th January, the camp week is a one of its kind. We welcome teams, communities and kids from all over Uganda. To them we offer accommodation, food and water, plus football for a week. In addition, we organise workshops that range from Football 4 WASH to motivation and social skills workshops.

Every other year, we check out a new school/venue where we host Uganda's biggest camp, and we invite school teachers and coaches to the hub of football exhibition in the country.

In addition, we also organise a camp disco and a New Year's Eve celebration with a big feast that we only know how to.







## What we do

### Sparta 09 Teams

Our internal soccer teams of K.S. Sparta 09 are our pride and the most successful matchmaker for the future of our kids. We run a senior team, a junior team and an array of age group teams ranging from U-8s to U-17s, and a girls' team.

We aim, and have succeeded – in presenting our teams in several major tournaments and leagues to representatives of primary and secondary schools with the authority to offer sport scholarships.

By this, until today Watoto Wasoka has managed to facilitate access to education for more than 300 kids, offering them prospects that would otherwise have been forsaken for them.

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### Girls' football

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We had always struggled with creating female football programmes. In 2016, we made exchange visits to Kenya to study successful girls' programmes at Mathare Youth Sports Association in Nariobi (MYSA) and Moving The Goalposts in Kilifi.

Since then, we have organised girls' editions running concurrently along all our other successful programmes, like the Girls' Slums Derby, Girls' Schools Championship, Girls' Christmas Camp.





## Why football?

- Football is the most popular sport in Uganda and attracts many Children
- Most easily accessible sport for slum and street children
- No.1 sport that has enabled many Children secure bursaries
- Many footballers in Uganda and world over are products of slums
- Team sport that the slum and street children can identify with
- Football is played everywhere.

### Since 2009;

**OVER  
10,000**

kids and girls have been involved with Watoto Wasoka since 2009



The annual Christmas camp with more than 2,500 kids from throughout the country



Sparta Kampala is now a fully – fledged football club; both senior team & junior teams and a girls' team with over 100 kids accessing regular F4D interventions

**OVER  
600**

slum kids and girls have accessed education through sports scholarships



Annual Primary Schools League with more than 500 kids



Most alumni include Lumala Abdu, Kezron Kizito, Moses Waiswa, Kizza Mustafa, Derrick Ddungu, Ashraf Mugume, Frank Zaga among others, all whom continue to represent Uganda at various national teams' levels.

**OVER  
150**

boys and girls currently under direct contact with Watoto Wasoka through Sparta 09 Kampala



The integration of girls' football into mainstream programs



The famous annual Slums Derby with 1,500 boys and girls from all slums in Kampala



Today, we are proud to maintain a database and associate with over 250 junior soccer coaches.

## 2018 in review

Primary Schools League March – August 2018

Kampala,  
Wakiso,  
Mukono,  
Luwero, Jinja.

### Finals

4th Aug 2018 in  
Kasenge

# 625

boys and girls

# 21

schools in boys'  
category



8 teams in girls'  
category



Boys finals: Rays of Grace  
Jr. School 4 – 1 Deca  
Primary School



Girls: St. Noa Jr. School  
3 – 1 G3 Academy

## Slums Derby

01

# 20-21

May, 2018



Kyambogo College  
School

03

# 1,020

boys and girls

02

04

# 74

teams (65 boys,  
9 girls)



Boys: MSCASDA  
1 – 0 Skills



Girls: Uganda Martyrs H.S  
1 (9) – 1 (8) Sparta 09

05

06



## Christmas Camp



28th Dec 2018 -  
3rd Jan 2019



Nakaseke International  
College



**2,560**  
boys and girls

**CAMP DISCO, F4W  
WORKSHOPS**



New Year's Eve feast



Food, fun and football

## Football 4 WASH

**150**

coaches and  
teachers trained in  
F4W methodology

**6,000**

kids directly  
involved

**50**

schools in Kampala  
and Karamoja

**3**

school WASH  
facilities with Viva  
con Agua





## Girls

Girls' Primary  
Schools  
Championship

Girls' Slums Derby

Girls' Christmas  
Camp

Girls in F4W



## Great strides



Joining the street-  
footballworld  
network

2nd year of  
Hat-Trick Partner-  
ship with Coaches  
Across Continents;  
40 community  
coaches trained  
in Kampala

**80**

scholarships for  
slum underprivi-  
leged kids



# Highlights







## IT TAKES A TEAM



FRIENDS  
AND FAMILY

VOLUNTEERS,  
COACHES

6,000  
SLUM KIDS





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