WHO WE ARE

Inshuti of Rwanda aims to alleviate homelessness and families living in deplorable conditions by funding the construction of new houses. We collaborate with Rwandans to build simply-designed, locally sourced, and hygienic housing while providing jobs with livable wages to the local community.

OUR MISSION

Building sustainable homes in Rwanda to build wellness, stability, and a future. We are improving living conditions, creating local jobs and growing a community of Inshuti.

OUR VISION

We believe housing is a human right. Everyone deserves refuge from the elements and to raise their children in a safe environment. Secondary to housing, creating jobs and paying employees livable wages allows our Inshuti community the opportunity to support their own families.
Dear Inshuti (Friends),

Every year I wind up saying the same thing - this was our most successful building season yet! In 2021, thanks to the generosity of our donors, we increased our budget, built more houses, provided local jobs with livable wages, and thereby changed more lives than ever before.

I’m very proud of the numerous accomplishments from our 2021 fiscal year, as you will find highlighted in the remainder of our annual report. However, most touching to my heart; is witnessing the impact our houses have on our Inshuti families and employment on the local community.

Baby Jessica lives with her mother Gentile and grandmother Solome, in Inshuti of Rwanda’s first house. We are now sheltering the next generation of children in Inshuti housing, providing a foundation for their future. I never dreamt a house for Solome’s family would turn into an organization helping more families regain independence by meeting the basic need of shelter.

Several of our Inshuti workers have expressed their gratitude for employment where they are respected and paid a fair wage. This year, Jean-Bosco (a 2017 house recipient) and his son, Patrick, saved money to pay secondary school fees for younger siblings. While Obed, (his family were house recipients in 2020) used his Inshuti earnings to buy a bicycle which allows him to earn money by transporting goods for local shopkeepers.

To me, these are the real success stories of Inshuti of Rwanda and the difference we are making in the lives of our Inshuti community. I am forever grateful for each donor and supporter of Inshuti of Rwanda, you grant us the ability to continue our important work.

Murakoze Cyane (Thank You),
Rosa Marino
During our 2021 fiscal year, Inshuti of Rwanda raised $42,264. In March, we completed our most successful building campaign by constructing 15 new houses for Inshuti families. These homes provided shelter to 85 people, where they can begin living their own independent lives.
YOUR DONATION AT WORK

15 Houses Built
85 People Sheltered
160 Workers Employed
INSHUTI DONOR GROWTH

Thanks to our growing community of donors, we have increased our budget with each building season. This allows us to construct more houses and help more families in the process.
NGO Status in Rwanda

We are now a nonprofit in Rwanda and officially registered with the Rwandan Government Board (RGB). Our new status has allowed us to open bank accounts in Rwanda and form a Rwandan board of directors. This will lead to continued growth and partnership with the local government.

Number of Houses Built & Families Sheltered

Our 2021 building campaign was the most successful yet! Thanks to the generous support of our donors, we were able to build 15 new homes, sheltering 85 people in the process.
Collaboration with the Rwandan Government

We continue to work closely with the Rwandan government to identify families most in need of housing. Our partnership also extends to receiving credit for tax-free building materials, helping to decrease each home’s budget.

Electricity in Our Houses

New for 2021, we installed electrical wiring in all our houses. Electricity will change Inshuti families’ lives: children can study past dark, mothers will have an easier time preparing dinner, thus giving everyone an opportunity to a brighter future!

Jobs for the Local Community

In 2021, we provided 160 jobs to local masons, workers, and porters through this year’s building projects. Part of our mission is paying employees livable wages to ensure that our workers can independently support their families.
We are proud to keep administration costs down to a minimum. That means 94% of our donation goes directly into our building projects and the Rwandan economy. You can be sure your money is going to those who need it most.
WHO ARE INSHUTI FAMILIES?

We are committed to providing shelter to genocide survivors, single mothers and hard-working father families who live in deplorable conditions due to a lack of resources. Our families typically have three or more school-age children. By focusing on younger families, our houses will have a longer-lasting impact.
WHO ARE INSHUTI WORKERS?

We employ local masons, workers, roofers, porters, and an electrician, to build our Inshuti houses. Members of our staff consist of previous house recipients and their families, who find purpose in helping build homes for their neighbors. Many Inshuti employees worked with us for several building seasons, further connecting and strengthening our community.
Looking Ahead to 2022

Our Goals

In 2022, our goals are focused on growth and development to have a greater impact on our Inshuti community in Rwanda. We hope to raise $60,000 to construct 20 new houses over two building-seasons.
The Inshuti team is excited about our move towards a two building-season model in response to sourcing local materials and providing consistent employment to our staff. Employing our core group of workers during a January build and in a September build will give them a greater opportunity to support their families.
HIRING A CONSULTANT

We realize that the next leap forward is sourcing funding outside personal donations to increase our budget and overall impact in our Rwandan community. To do this, we are in the process of hiring a consultant for advice on the next steps towards growing Inshuti and being able to apply for grants.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Together we are building homes, improving lives and building an Inshuti community.