

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU") is made and entered into by and between:

The Rotary Club of Bamenda, a duly recognized non-profit humanitarian organization and member of Rotary International, located at P.O. Box 134, Bamenda, North West Region, Cameroon (hereinafter referred to as "Rotary Club of Bamenda");

AND

Haven of Hope Cameroon, a locally established non-governmental organization dedicated to transform the lives of destitute and disenfranchised teen mothers and indigenous girls (hereinafter referred to as "Haven of Hope").

Collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party," as the context requires.

WHEREAS, Rotary Club of Bamenda is committed to supporting humanitarian initiatives that improve livelihoods and enhance health security within communities across Cameroon;

WHEREAS, Haven of Hope possesses expertise and a mandate to implement projects that transform the lives of destitute and disenfranchised teen mothers and indigenous girls;

AND WHEREAS, the Parties desire to collaborate in the empowerment of teenage mothers and Mbororo/Fulani girls & young women within the North West Region of Cameroon;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

ARTICLE ONE: PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

This MoU sets forth the terms under which the Parties will cooperate to design, develop, and implement collaborative initiatives focused on the empowerment of teenage mothers and Mbororo/Fulani girls & young women. Our primary objective is to transform the lives of marginalized teen mothers and Indigenous girls who have lost hope. We achieve this by providing counseling and comprehensive rehabilitation programs, giving them the tools and opportunities they need to rebuild their futures. We are committed to amplifying this impact through strategic partnerships, knowledge sharing, and mobilizing essential resources.

ARTICLE TWO: NATURE OF AGREEMENT

This MoU outlines the Parties' shared intentions and framework for cooperation and does not constitute a legally binding contract obligating either Party financially or otherwise. Each Party will bear its own costs unless otherwise agreed in subsequent definitive agreements specific to individual projects.

ARTICLE THREE: SCOPE OF COLLABORATION

3.1 The Parties commit to working together on activities including, but not limited to:

- a) Sharing information, expertise, and proven live transformation programs of teen mothers suitable for scaling;
- b) Facilitating strategic linkages between Rotary Club of Bamenda, Haven of hope, and relevant stakeholders;
- c) Seeking technical and financial partnerships with third parties to support joint initiatives;
- d) Organizing consultative meetings and site visits to strengthen cooperation and identify opportunities;
- e) Conducting joint research and project development aimed at empowering teen mothers.

3.2 All activities will be mutually agreed upon prior to execution and contingent upon availability of resources.

ARTICLE FOUR: PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Specific projects under this MoU shall be defined through separate project agreements detailing scope, responsibilities, funding sources, timelines, and deliverables, consistent with each Party's internal approval processes.

4.2 This MoU does not restrict either Party from independently pursuing related projects or collaborating with other entities.

ARTICLE FIVE: REPRESENTATION AND POINTS OF CONTACT

Each Party shall designate authorized representatives to coordinate activities and communications related to this MoU:

For Rotary Club of Bamenda: [**Name:** Pascaline Tita, Title: President, Contact Information: Tel: 671 45 32 37]

For Haven of Hope: [**Name:** Maurice Mokenyu, Title: Project Manager, Contact Information: Tel: 671 86 95 39]

ARTICLE SIX: INDEPENDENCE OF THE PARTIES

The Parties acknowledge their status as independent entities. Neither Party shall be deemed an agent, partner, or legal representative of the other and shall not bind or incur obligations on behalf of the other without express written consent.

ARTICLE SEVEN: CONFIDENTIALITY

Each Party agrees to maintain confidentiality of any proprietary or non-public information shared in the course of collaboration and shall not disclose such information without prior written permission, except as required by law.

ARTICLE EIGHT: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

8.1 Intellectual property rights arising from joint activities under this MoU shall be co-owned by the Parties, with each Party free to use and disseminate such jointly created materials without restricting the other.

8.2 Intellectual property generated independently by either Party shall remain solely owned by that Party.

8.3 This MoU does not transfer or waive any pre-existing intellectual property rights held by either Party.

8.4 Knowledge and innovations developed will be made accessible for humanitarian purposes within the North West Region to maximize public benefit.

ARTICLE NINE: PUBLICATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Joint project outcomes or publications shall credit both Parties appropriately. Independent publications derived from collaborative work require advance written notice to the other Party at least two months prior to release. Funding sources must be duly acknowledged.

ARTICLE TEN: NOTICE

All notices or communications under this MoU shall be in writing, delivered in person, by registered mail, email, or fax, and shall be effective upon receipt by the intended Party.

ARTICLE ELEVEN: FORCE MAJEURE

Neither Party shall be liable for failure or delay in performing obligations due to causes beyond their reasonable control, including natural disasters, war, or government actions, provided timely written notice is given.

ARTICLE TWELVE: EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM

This MoU shall become effective upon signature by both Parties and remain in force for one (1) year, automatically renewing annually unless terminated in writing by either Party.

ARTICLE THIRTEEN: AMENDMENTS AND TERMINATION

13.1 Amendments to this MoU require mutual written consent by authorized representatives.

13.2 Either Party may terminate this MoU by providing thirty (30) days' written notice to the other Party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorized representatives of the Parties, have executed this Memorandum of Understanding in two originals in the English language, as of the dates indicated below

For Rotary Club of Bamenda

Name: **Pascaline TITA**

Title: **President 2025-2026**

Signature: 

Date: **16 October 2025**

For Haven of Hope Cameroon

Name: **Maurice Mokenyu**

Title: **Project Manager**

Signature: 

Date: **16 October 2025**

