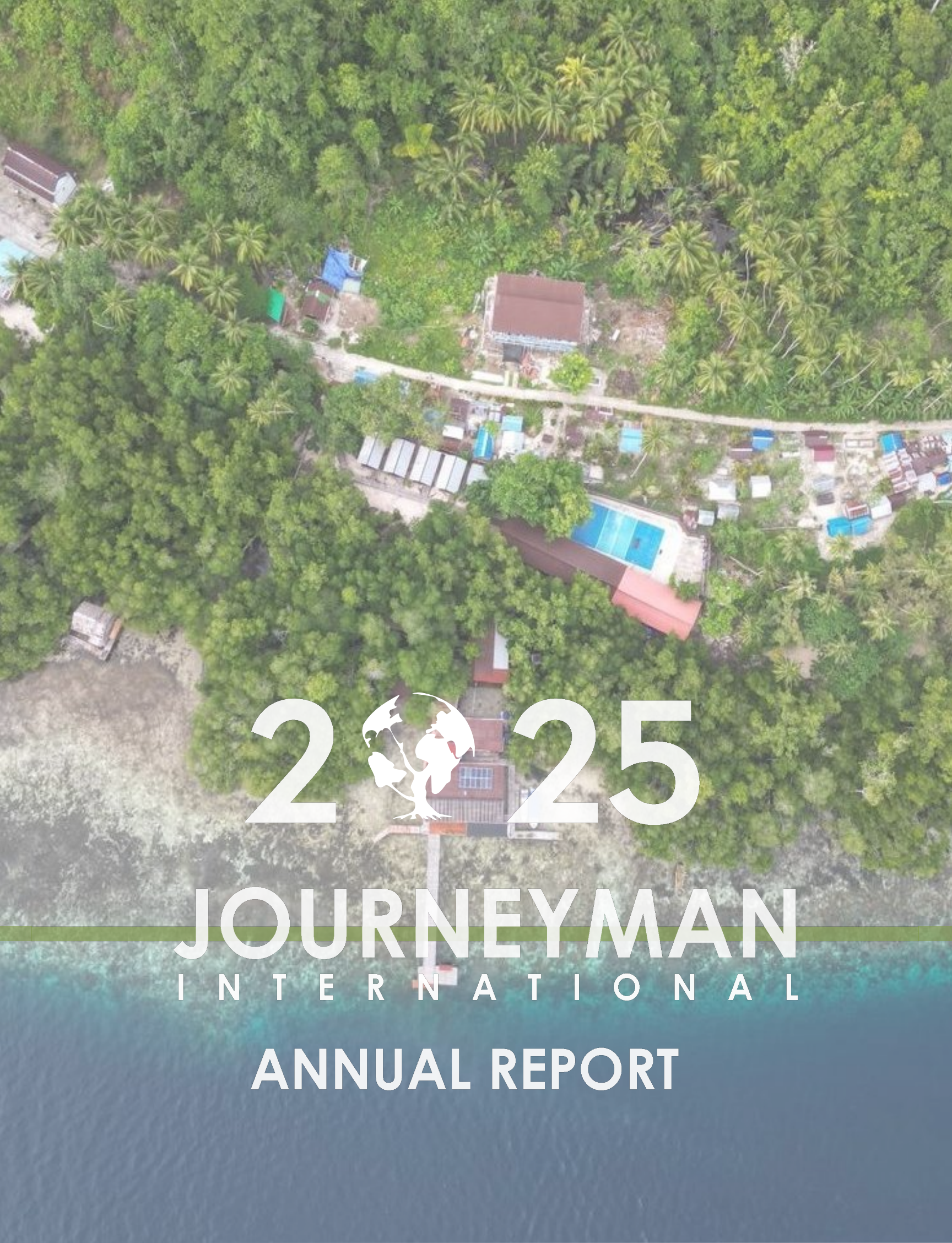




2025

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ANNUAL REPORT

MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDER

EXPANSION:

“Amplifying impact & extending the ripple of design with depth and intention”

2025 was a year of meaningful expansion for Journeyman International. More communities were served, more volunteers stepped forward, and more local teams took the lead in shaping projects that uplift and empower. **With your support, our work reached 10 countries and advanced 12 projects now completed or under construction.**

Across Rwanda, Indonesia, East Africa, and beyond, we saw design become a tool for hope—creating classrooms, clinics, community centers, and safe gathering spaces. Our volunteers donated over 7,000 hours of professional design work, partnering with universities, local NGOs, and in-country professionals to deliver solutions that last.

What encouraged us most this year was the strength of our partnerships. From bamboo construction workshops in Bali, to trauma centers in Rwanda, to conservation schools in Papua, each project reflected collaboration across cultures, disciplines, and generations.

As we look toward 2026, our momentum continues. Local leadership is growing, our global network is expanding, and new opportunities are emerging to design spaces that meet critical needs with dignity and care.

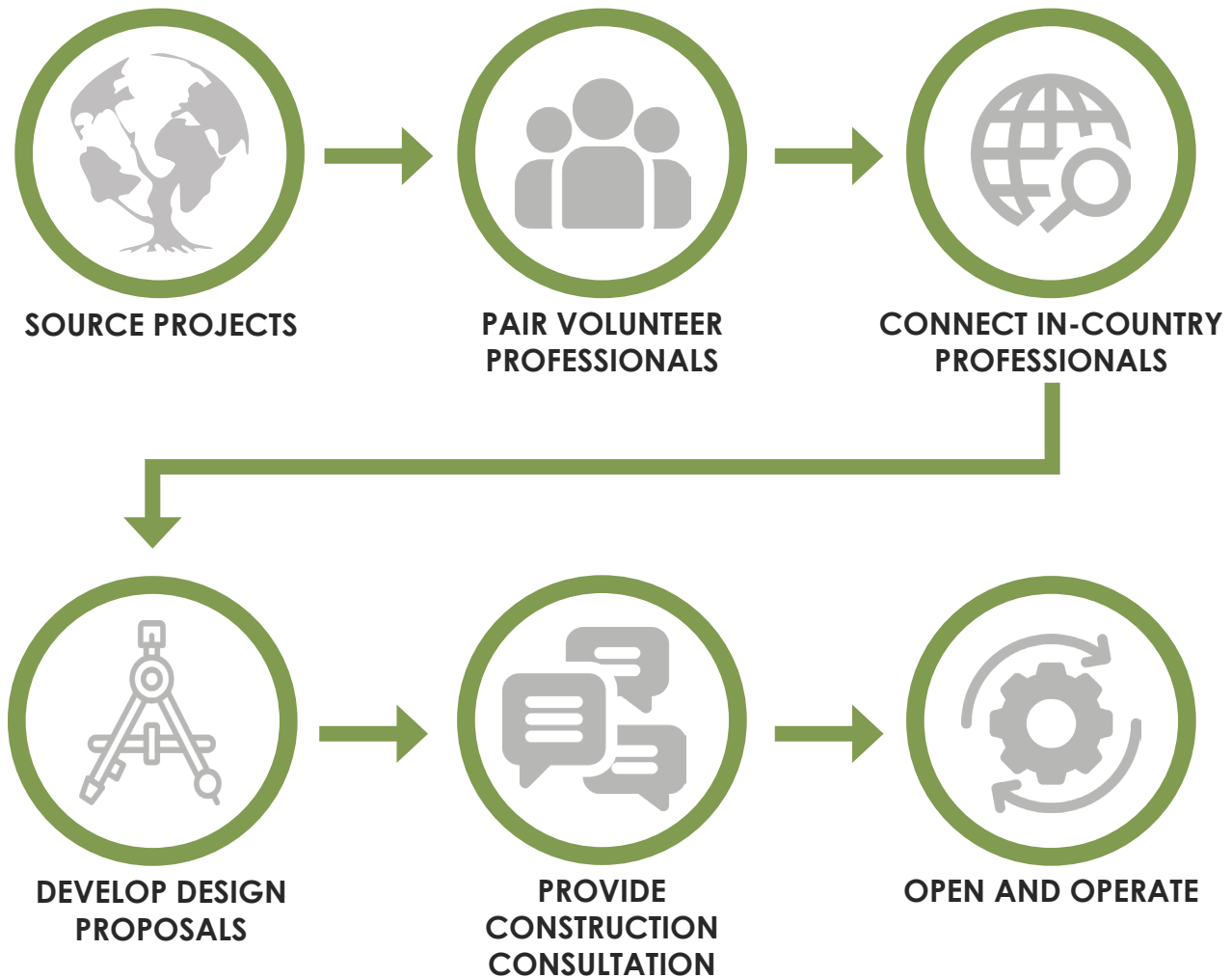
Thank you for walking with us. Together, we are building a movement—one that is transforming lives through thoughtful, purpose-driven design.

Daniel Wiens
President





THE JI MODEL



OUR MISSION

- ☒ Design and engineer safe, sustainable, and appropriate humanitarian facilities
- ☒ Inspire and equip the next generation of humanitarian designers
- ☒ Connect university students and professional volunteers with critical needs around the world

2025 DESIGNER METRICS

14

PROFESSIONAL VOLUNTEER
DESIGNERS AND MENTORS

26

UNIVERSITY VOLUNTEER
DESIGNERS



10 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED BY
VOLUNTEERS

7000+

HOURS DONATED BY
VOLUNTEERS



5 REPEAT VOLUNTEERS



4 UNIVERSITIES WE
PARTNERED WITH

2025 PROJECT IMPACTS

7 Design + engineering
proposals COMPLETED

2000+

Daily active users of
completed JI projects

175

Construction jobs
created

12 PROJECTS either completed
or in construction

Jl designed projects for 10
COUNTRIES



UKRAINE
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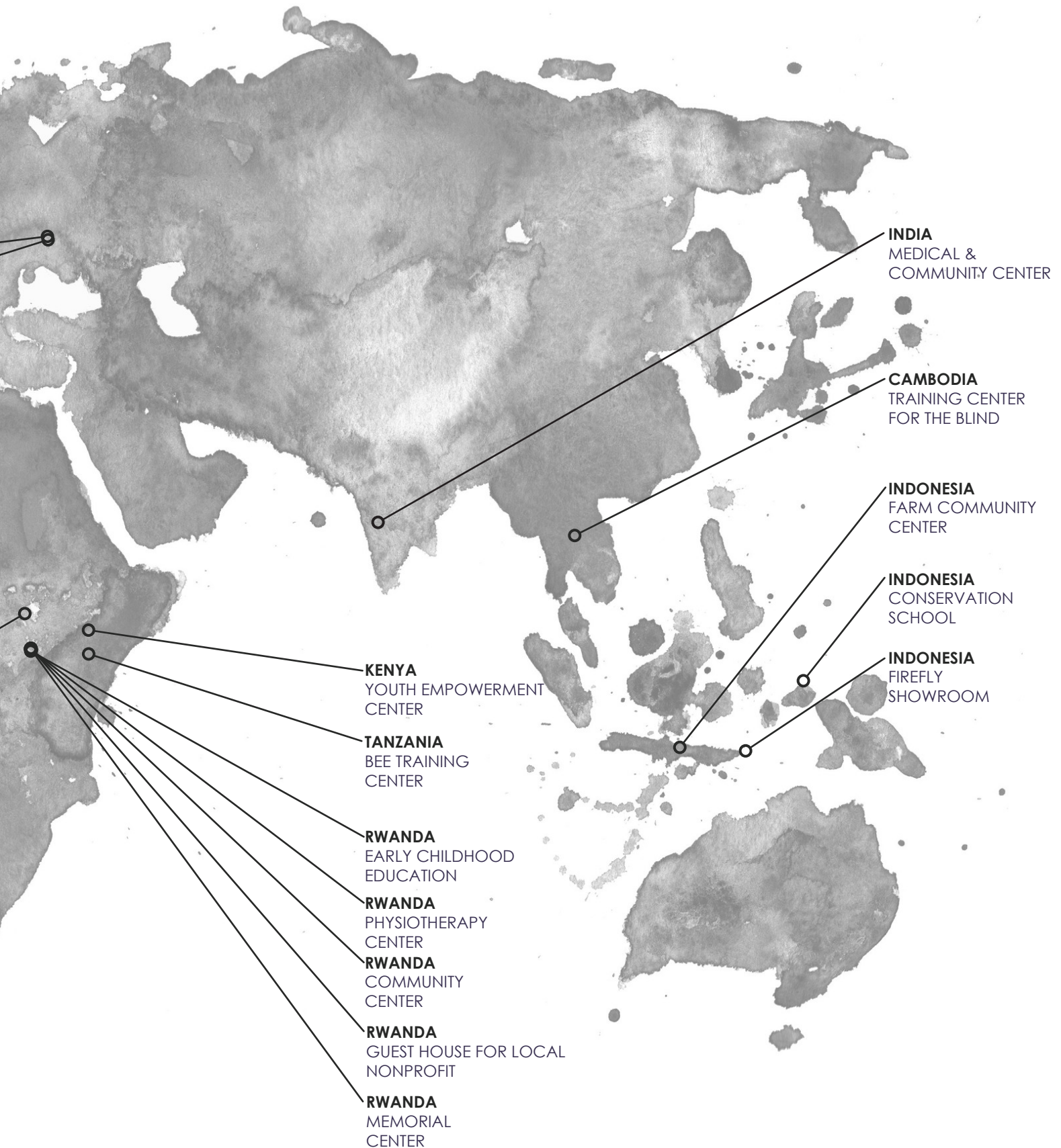
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COMMUNITY
CENTER

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WHERE WE'VE WORKED IN 2025





DESIGNS COMPLETED



NIGERIA

COMMUNITY CENTER

Client: AKHIN

Designer: Beatrice Cordella

The AKHIN Village aims to create an inclusive alternative learning space for homeless youngsters, both physically able and disabled. The facility will offer rehabilitation, shelter, vocational skills training, and educational support for youth aged 12 to 23, helping them break free from cycles of poverty, addiction, and crime. The self-sustaining village will include areas for farming, sports, and the arts, along with essential amenities.



RWANDA

PHYSIOTHERAPY CENTER

Client: Rwanda Down Syndrome Organization

Designer: Fatima Hassan

RDSO, a nonprofit dedicated to empowering individuals with Down syndrome through therapy, education, and advocacy, is developing a new center to enhance its service delivery. The facility will provide a dedicated space for early intervention and ongoing support, integrating physiotherapy, occupational therapy, play therapy, and speech therapy to assist individuals with Down syndrome .



INDONESIA

WATER TREATMENT AND STORAGE FACILITY

Client: Child Aid Papua
Designer: Garrett Lord

As part of the on-going master plan development for Child Aid Papua, the water desalinization plant, water storage, and auxiliary classroom space design has been completed. This facility will provide bathrooms, showers, drinking water, and gray water use for the entire campus. The desalinization facility will be the first in the village, and will be crucial during drought seasons in producing fresh drinking water.

The facility is currently under construction and is estimated to be completed by mid 2026.





RWANDA

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Client: Komeza Life
Designer: Jules Iradukunda

KomezaLife, a nonprofit organization with over three years of experience providing early childhood education to vulnerable children in Kigali, is expanding its impact through the development of a new Early Childhood Education (ECE) Center + Library. The project aims to create a safe, child-friendly space that offers foundational learning, skills development, and parent engagement through training and workshops that strengthen family well-being. The facility will also serve as a community hub for gatherings and social activities.





INDONESIA

RESOURCE CENTER

Client: P.P.M.K

Designer: Nicole Thompson

PPMK resource center aims to establish a Resource Center in a rural area of Bantul-Indonesia, offering vital resources such as English and computer courses, a small library, free Wi-Fi, document printing, and access to laptops—equipping children, youth, and women with the tools and training needed to break the cycle of poverty. This is the sixth project Nicole Thompson has designed as a JI volunteer!



UGANDA

SCHOOL CAMPUS AND DORMITORY

Client: Faith Christian School

Designer: Haley Cope

Faith Christian School is a faith-based organization committed to empowering vulnerable children in Mubende, Uganda, through holistic education, spiritual growth, and community outreach. Rooted in principles of compassion, justice, and love, the school provides a nurturing environment for orphans and underserved children, equipping them with knowledge and moral guidance.





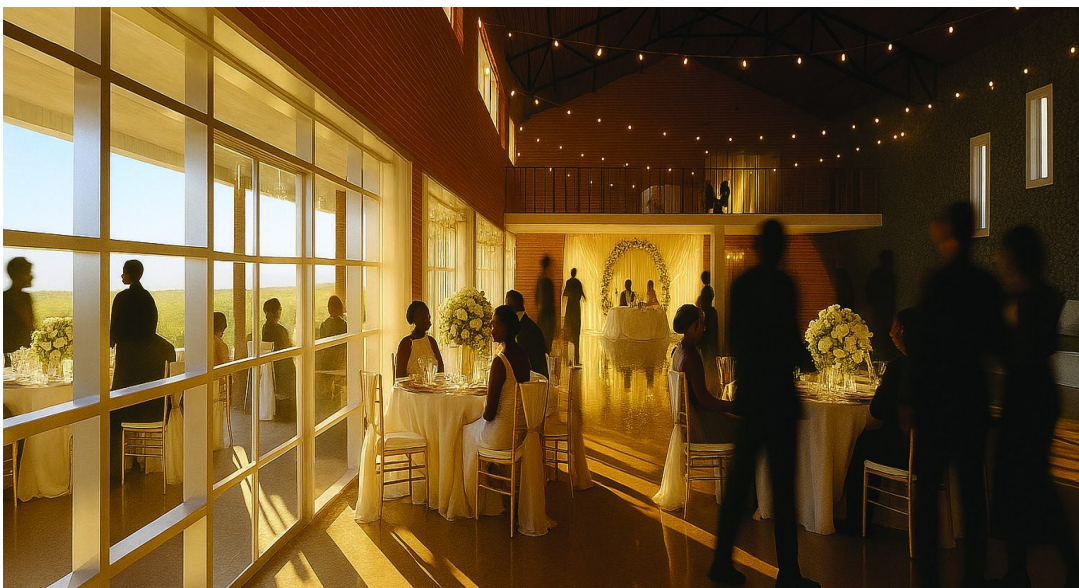
RWANDA

COMMUNITY CENTER

Client: Chapter's Initiative

Designer: Carly Althoff, Joanna Nsenga

The next phase of our master plan expansion in Sunzu Village, Rwanda will be a multi-purpose center. Ground has broken, and you can expect to see this project come to life in 2026!





KENYA

TRAINING CENTER

Client: Twajali Empowerment Network

Designer: Hester & Lenart van Haalen

The Twajali Empowerment Network in Kenya plans to establish the Twajali Training Centre (Kwetu Project), a holistic training center combining eco-friendly design with cultural preservation. The mission is to enhance skills and capabilities of marginalized youth in slums through experiential learning and hospitality management.





**UPCOMING &
IN PROCESS**

USA



PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

Client: YMCA

Designers: Garrett Lord

Camp Tepee provides essential child care for local families, ensuring parents can work while their children thrive in a safe, supportive environment. The YMCA is committed to never turning a family away, offering a sliding scale of financial aid so every child has the opportunity to attend. The program emphasizes time outdoors and in nature—with no screen time—allowing children to build friendships, explore, and grow with confidence, while giving families peace of mind during the summer months.



TANZANIA



TRAINING CENTER

Client: Sustainable Beekeeping & Human Development, SuBeHuDe

Designers: Jacob Hollingsworth

This Training Centre is envisioned as a community and vocational training hub tackling youth and women's unemployment through skills development, education, and empowerment. By providing practical training, resources, and opportunities for economic participation, the center will help reduce poverty, address social challenges, and foster sustainable livelihoods across Tanzanian communities and beyond.



CAMEROON



Learning Center

Client: Wandusoa

Designers: Cedric Delbeke

This Learning Center is a regenerative agriculture hub designed to combat severe topsoil degradation while strengthening community livelihoods. Beyond restoring soil health, Wandusoa fosters food security, creates sustainable livelihoods, and builds community resilience, offering a scalable model for food sovereignty and ecological regeneration across Central Africa.

LEFT: Camp Tepee existing office and out-building

UPPER RIGHT: Site visit to site in Cameroon

LOWER RIGHT: Entrance road to site in Tanzania.

RWANDA



GENOCIDE MEMORIAL

Client: Gisimba Memorial Center

Designers: Stephen Makama, Christian Masha, and Blaise Mugisha

Founded on a long history of care and community, the center is dedicated to transforming the lives of vulnerable children and youth through trauma-informed education, creative expression, and social resilience. With a mission rooted in legacy and hope, the center continues to evolve into a space of healing, learning, and opportunity for generations to come



INDONESIA



SCHOOL EXPANSION AND MASTERPLAN

Client: Child Aid Papua

Designers: Garrett Lord

Expanding upon the success of the new school in Raja Ampat for Child Aid Papua, Child Aid Papua is moving forward with the development of a master plan for the entire campus. Facilities will include a water purification center, gymnasium, dormitories to house up to 80 students, and a cultural center.

The water treatment plant will house a desalination plant powered entirely on-site with photo voltaics. The gymnasium will provide indoor space for athletics and an auditorium for the performing arts. And lastly the new cultural center will provide a public facing element for the school to introduce the incredible work the students are doing to an international audience.



LEFT: Gisimba existing campus

RIGHT: Child Aid Papua proposed campus masterplan

INDIA



MEDICAL & COMMUNITY CENTER
Client: Jesus Salvation & Social Works Ministries, JSSWM
Designers: Lokesh Bharathidasan

MEDICAL & COMMUNITY CENTER

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Designers: Lokesh Bharathidasan

This initiative aims to establish a medical and community center dedicated to supporting individuals affected by leprosy, one of the country's most stigmatized and neglected populations.



UPPER LEFT: JSSWM Site Location

LOWER LEFT: Existing Anak Alam structure using eco-bricks

RIGHT: Field visit and inspection at DYP site.

INDONESIA



LEARNING CENTER
Client: Anak Alam Learning Center
Designers: Ilham Muhammed

This initiative is a nature-based education center committed to empowering children through creative learning and environmental stewardship. This new infrastructure will enhance educational access, promote sustainability, and provide a resilient learning environment in a region prone to seasonal weather challenges.

CAMBODIA



CAMPUS DESIGN
Client: Discover Your Possibilities
Designers: Garrett Lord

Discover Your Possibilities (DYP) is a local Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) founded and registered with the Ministry of Interior in Cambodia.

The purpose of the organization is to improve the living conditions of children and adults with visual impairments in Cambodia by providing educational support, skill trainings, and different vocational training opportunities.





BUILDING STRUCTURES & NETWORKS

INDONESIA



CONSERVATION SCHOOL

Client: Child Aid Papua

Designers: Garrett Lord



Back in Raja Ampat, the Child Aid Blue Ocean School construction has reached completion. The school opened for classes in the fall semester and has increased the capacity of the school, as well as provided modern amenities and teaching space. The designer, Garrett, has remained involved through construction and into closeout, maintaining communication with the school administration and contractor.

With the school complete, construction has shifted to additional structures on site, including the water treatment facility, water storage, landscaping, and the final dormitory.

This school, powered entirely by photovoltaic, is set to become a world class conservation facility, bringing dignity and quality education to low income communities

CENTER TOP: View of School nearing completion

CENTER LEFT: Aerial view of completed school and fencing

LOWER LEFT: Classroom Interior

MALAWI



DORMITORY

Client: Malawi Children's Village

Designers: Maggie Harris

Malawi Children's Village (MCV), aims to enhance educational infrastructure within the community. The collaboration began with the design of nine solar-powered teacher housing duplexes and a training facility for solar installation and maintenance—an initiative aimed at retaining qualified teachers by offering housing as a form of compensation. Building on this success, the project has now expanded to include the design of student dormitories, further supporting access to quality education and strengthening the long-term sustainability of MCV's mission.



TOP: Construction nearing completion

CENTER LEFT: Finish work being prepared

LOWER RIGHT: Additional construction on site

INDONESIA



COMMUNITY PAVILION

Client: Astungkara Way

Designers: HKU

In August 2025, a collaborative bamboo construction project will take place in Subak Ketapang, Bali, uniting efforts from Hong Kong University (HKU), Bamboo U, Bamboo Pure, Astungkara Way, and Journeyman International (JI). The aim is to design and build a community pavilion that serves as a gathering space for local farmers. The space is envisioned as a hub for knowledge exchange, collaboration, and community building.

CENTER TOP: Students and local builders constructing bamboo structures.

LOWER LEFT: Completed bamboo structure.

LOWER RIGHT: Scaffolding installation.



CAMBODIA



SITE DEVELOPMENT AND MASTER PLAN

Client: Discover Your Possibilities

Designers: Garrett Lord

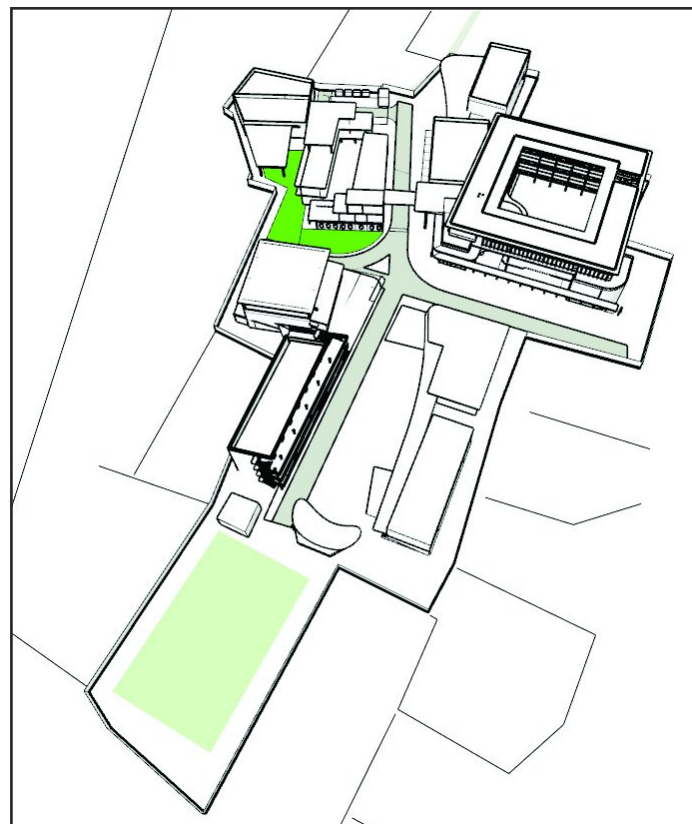
Discover Your Possibilities (DYP) is a local NGO dedicated to improving the lives of children and adults with visual impairments in Siem Reap, Cambodia, and beyond, through educational support, skill training, and vocational opportunities. The site has been leveled, property fenced, and retaining walls installed. The organization will now proceed to develop the campus in phases, creating a dedicated space to empower individuals to define and pursue their own goals while enhancing their quality of life.



CENTER TOP: A portion of the completed fence and retaining wall

LOWER LEFT: Site visit and land inspection

LOWER RIGHT: Campus master plan



RWANDA



GUEST HOUSE

Client: Azizi Life

Designers: Mary Diestch



After successfully completing the JI-designed phase 1 of the Azizi Life women's empowerment center, the client came back to JI asking for a design proposal of a guest house accommodation to be added on as phase 2. Architect Mary created a space that can host volunteers and visitors to the local organization that trains women to produce high quality handicrafts.

TOP: Progress of the construction

CENTER LEFT: Nearing completion

BOTTOM: Construction almost complete



RWANDA



EXPANSION PLAN

Client: Handspun Hope

Designers: Claude Butera

CENTER TOP: Students and local builders constructing bamboo structures.

LOWER LEFT: Completed bamboo structure.

LOWER RIGHT: Scaffolding installation.



After years of empowering over 200 at-risk women through wool crafting and holistic care, Handspun Hope partnered with JI to design an expansion of their northern Rwanda campus. The project enhances facilities for production, trauma counseling, and community support—reflecting the organization's commitment to sustainability, fair employment, and restoring hope for women and their families.



RWANDA



SCHOOL

Client: Omega Ministries



Omega Ministries, a thriving church community based in Kagugu and operational for over 1.5 years, constructed a Pre-K to Primary 6 school to further its mission of education and outreach. The facility provides classrooms and multi-purpose spaces to host lessons, youth programs, and community gatherings as part of the ministry's broader vision to nurture learning and spiritual growth.

TOP: Completed School

LEFT: Enlarged detail of structure

NIGERIA



LEARNING SPACE

Client: AKHIN Village

Designers: Beatrice Cordella



The AKHIN Village project in Nigeria aims to create an inclusive alternative learning space for homeless youngsters, both physically able and disabled. The facility will offer rehabilitation, shelter, vocational skills empowering marginalized youth helping them break free from cycles of poverty, addiction, and crime. The self-sustaining village will include areas for farming, sports, and the arts, along with essential amenities like clean water.

TOP: Construction nearing completion

CENTER LEFT: Finish work being prepared

LOWER RIGHT: Additional construction on site



NIGERIA



CAMPUS MASTER PLAN

Client: EcoBuild Her

Designers: Natalie Ramirez

EcoBuild Her Campus initiative aims to empower single mothers, widows, and vulnerable women through hands-on training in sustainable construction using eco-friendly materials. The project will establish a permanent training center built by the participants themselves; serving both as a practical learning environment and a lasting symbol of empowerment and self-sufficiency. Through this initiative, women gain valuable skills to improve their livelihoods while promoting environmentally responsible building.



TOP: Women workers on site

CENTER RIGHT: Installing panels

LOWER RIGHT: Under construction

EMPOWERING THE NEXT GENERATION

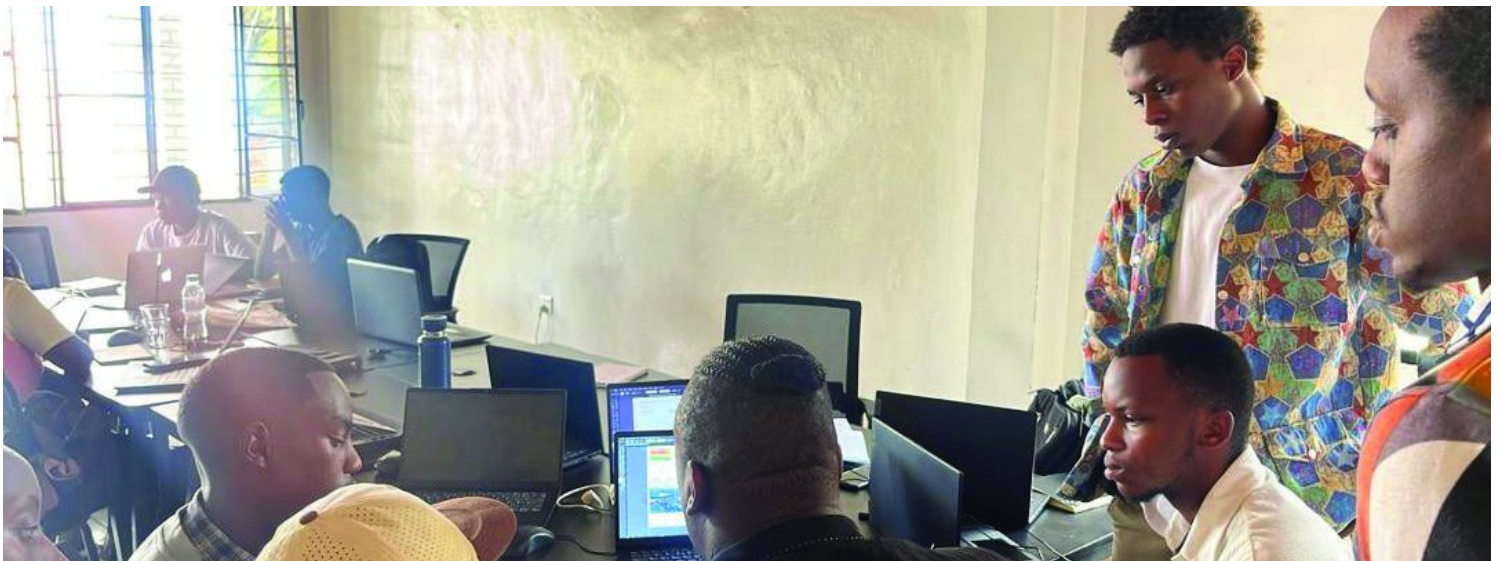
SUNZU VILLAGE TOUR

In partnership with INES-Ruhengeri's Department of Architecture, we hosted a site tour at our Sunzu Village project, offering students firsthand exposure to sustainable, community-centered design in practice. The visit provided an opportunity to connect classroom learning with real-world application, fostering dialogue around construction techniques, material innovation, and local impact.



SPRK ACADEMY MENTORSHIP

This September, the JI Kigali team mentored students in Rwanda's SPRK Program, an initiative by CuratEast and Ndinda Hub, guiding the development of site-specific interventions at a historic colonial church in Rwamagana. The mentorship concluded with an exhibition showcasing the students' work to architectural professionals and government officials. We were also honored to participate in California Baptist University's CAVAD Missionary Week, sharing insights on humanitarian design and community-centered impact.



BEHIND THE SCENES AT CONFERENCES

RWANDA

The JI Rwanda team took part in the African Architecture Renaissance Seminar held in Kigali from February 28 to March 1, 2025, organized by the Rwanda Institute of Architects (RIA) and the Africa Union of Architects (AUA). Centered on “Urban Regeneration and Informal Settlement Upgrading,” the event gathered professionals from across Africa to discuss sustainable urban development. As part of the program, the JI team delivered a presentation on humanitarian architecture, sharing insights from our work and contributing to broader conversations on inclusive and community-driven design in Africa.



INDONESIA

In August 2025, a collaborative bamboo construction project took place in Subak Ketapang, Bali, bringing together Hong Kong University (HKU), Bamboo U, Astungkara Way, and Journeyman International (JI). The project engaged HKU students in designing and building a community pavilion for local farmers, envisioned as a hub for knowledge exchange, collaboration, and community building. The workshop concluded with a closing ceremony at Kul Kul Farm, featuring a site tour, certificate presentations, and a celebratory dinner with all partners, students, and local farmers, marking the successful completion of the project and its spirit of sustainable, collective effort.



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FINANCES

2025 REVENUE

Balance at beginning of year	\$33,892
Donation revenue for operating expenses	\$148,171
Donation revenue for capital projects	\$135,000
Operating cash available during 2025	\$317,063

2025 EXPENSES

Operating Expenses	\$32,182
Payroll	\$67,937
Construction and Special Project Funding	\$38,093

Total expenditures	\$138,212
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*Figures reflect transactions from January 1 to November 15, 2025

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