



**A shared mission**

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# Our goal is to support people in the poorest regions of the world to have access to healthcare and education

MIVA supports local aid workers in the remote areas of Africa and Asia. We believe in the power of people. In people who dedicate their lives to help others. No matter how challenging their journey. Reaching that last mile, where healthcare and education services are not accessible, adaptable, or affordable for many people. We believe that even the most vulnerable people should have access to healthcare and education. To reach the unreachable. That is our mission.

## This is MIVA

MIVA Netherlands was founded in 1935, with one main goal: to improve access to healthcare and education. It has positively affected the lives of thousands of the most vulnerable children and people.

We are:



### Compassionate

We care. We listen and value everyone's story. Together, we share the belief that everyone deserves a hopeful future.



### Courageous

We go above and beyond to achieve our mission. No distance is too far. Our stories are filled with courage. Every mission tells a bold and honest narrative. If needed, we get off the conventional roads and take new turns.



### Hopeful

We share the hope for a better future. Where there is hope, there is trust. Every story we tell strengthens that trust. Guided by our compassion, courage, and hope, we try to make a difference in the communities we serve.



# What we do

MIVA supports local organizations in remote areas of Africa and Asia by providing essential transportation, communication tools, and solar energy solutions. We supply vehicles, ambulances, school buses, motorbikes, bicycles, boats, laptops, radios, phones, braille printers, internet kits, and solar systems to improve access to medical care, education, and other basic needs.

With our extensive experience and network, we provide the right tools and training to strengthen community-based organizations, allowing them to reach more people and save lives. Our efforts enhance their capacity to deliver critical aid, making a significant difference in vulnerable communities.



## Increase access to healthcare

### Making Healthcare more accessible to the community

MIVA is proud to support the Roi Baudouin 1er Hospital in West Congo by enabling outreach activities, and transportation services.

Located in the eastern part of Kinshasa, this hospital was previously difficult to reach due to a lack of transportation, limiting access to critical healthcare for the local community.

In the past, this lack of access and outreach led to many preventable deaths, with 1,100 out of 8,000 patients unable to receive timely care. With the new ambulance, MIVA significantly enhances the accessibility of healthcare services. This improvement is expected to greatly reduce the number of patients who face delays in receiving care, ensuring timely medical attention and better health outcomes for the community.





## A Mobile Therapy Centre

In Zimbabwe, MIVA is helping the organisation Childline Zimbabwe by providing a Mobile health centre. Childline works to support children's mental health, especially in remote areas. They run a free 24/7 phone helpline and have walk-in centres where children can get help. Among these calls there were serious cases such as sexual abuse, child marriages, teen pregnancies, drug-related violence, harmful traditions, and poverty. Sadly, 8,252 of these cases (47%) came from areas so remote that Childline could not follow up.



With their new fully equipped vehicle, Childline will create a mobile therapy centre that is safe and welcoming for children. This will allow them to visit remote areas and provide help directly to children who cannot travel to their centres. They hope to help 1,900 more children in person each year and reach 42,000 more children and parents with education and awareness programs.



## MIVA's fleet management training

MIVA is committed to enhancing the impact of its support to local organizations by not only providing transportation assets but also offering comprehensive training to maximize their use. Our Fleet Management Training program is a key initiative in this effort.

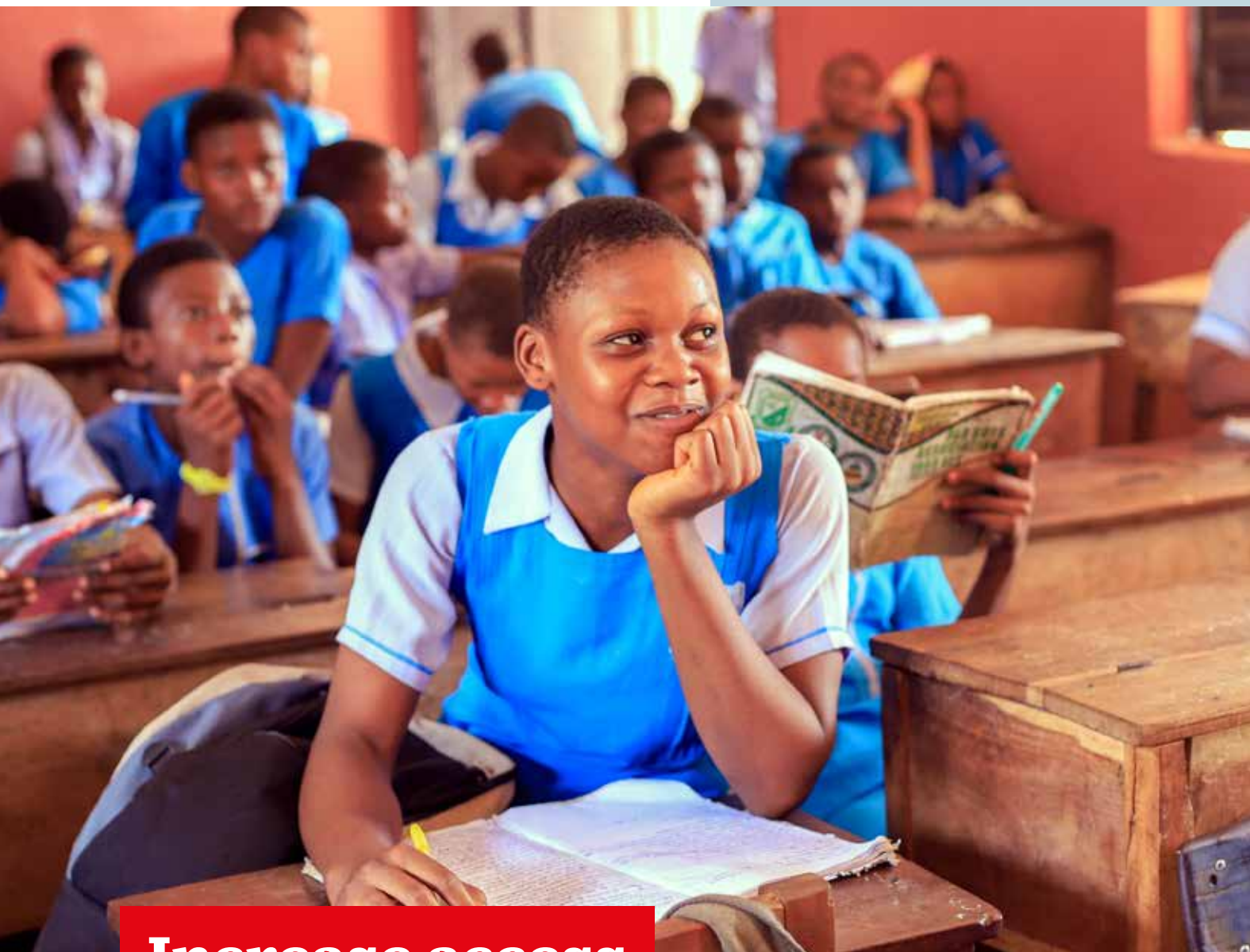
In partnership with Fleet Forum, MIVA launched a program in 2023 to introduce professional fleet management to drivers and staff responsible for transport assets financed by MIVA.

This training program is designed around four essential themes:

1. **Cost Savings**
2. **Optimizing Vehicle Usage**
3. **Road Safety**
4. **Sustainability**

Participants engage in an interactive setting, guided by a professional trainer. By investing in fleet management training, and in a Train the Trainer program, MIVA ensures that the transportation assets provided are used efficiently and safely, ultimately enhancing the reach and effectiveness of the programmes and efforts of the community-based organisations in our network.





## Increase access to education

When education is accessible, regardless of background or socio-economic status, an inclusive environment is created in which diversity and talents can flourish. This not only promotes a more equitable distribution of opportunities, but it also stimulates innovation and growth within the economy.



## Educating girls = Empowering Society

In Zambia, thousands of girls face major obstacles to education, including poverty and lack of transportation. Many spend their days helping their families earn a living instead of attending school. Without financial resources or access to transport, education remains out of reach.

Sister Clarina, a dedicated 52-year-old woman, is changing this reality. She believes: “If you educate girls, you educate the whole society.” Her mission is to provide education to as many underprivileged girls as possible, giving them a chance to escape poverty.

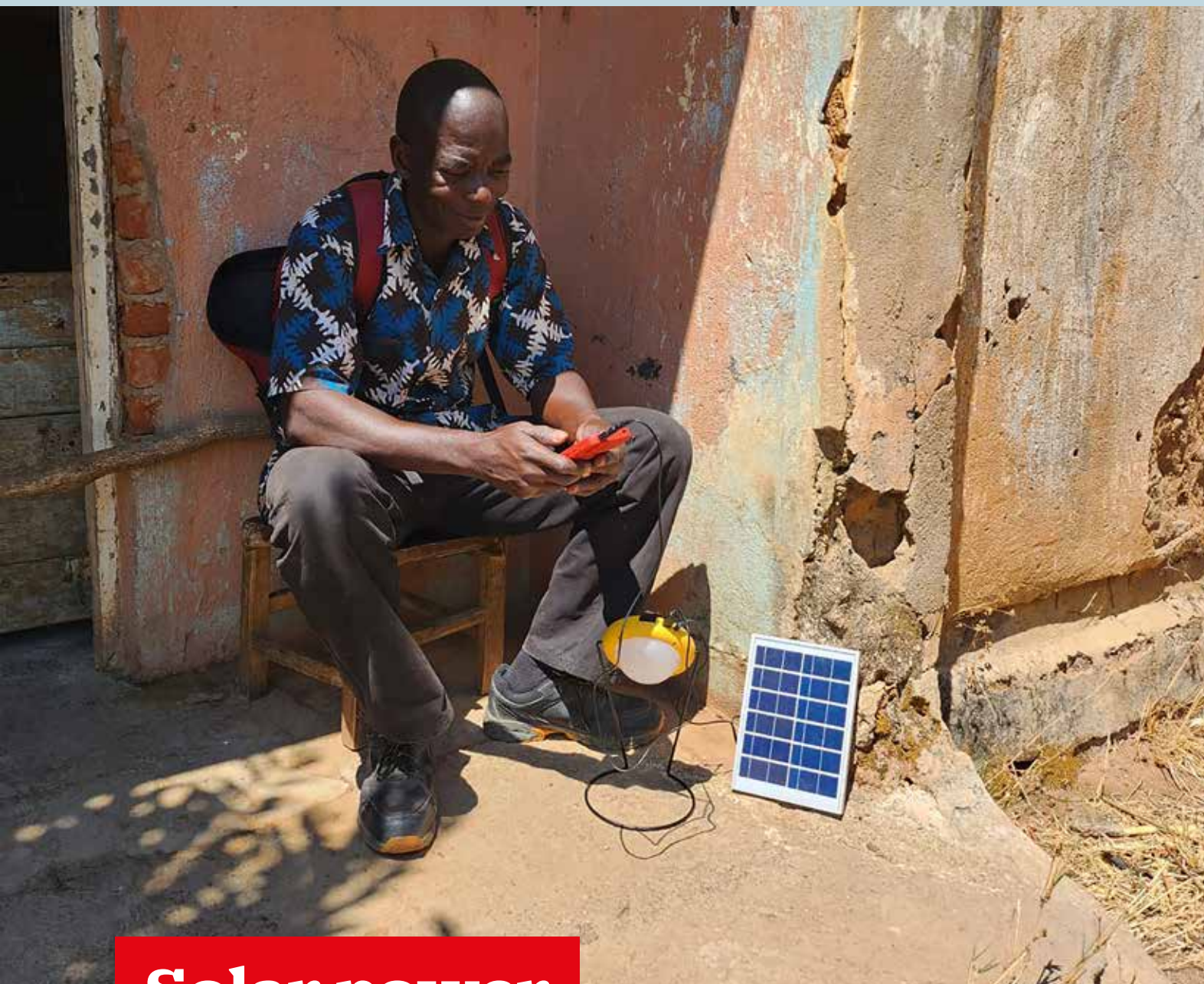
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Thanks to generous donors, Clarina now operates a minibus service that transports girls to school. This allows parents to work while their daughters receive an education. Today, dozens of girls are enrolled in school - some receiving special education, others attending regular classes, and many benefiting from additional support like physiotherapy.

This initiative is transforming lives. Girls who once had no future beyond household chores or market work are now studying to become nurses, teachers, and professionals.







## Solar power

Currently, six hundred million people in Africa do not have access to electricity, creating significant barriers to healthcare, education, productivity, and digital inclusion.

One of the major daily struggles for our network partners is the unreliable power supply. They need a steady power flow for essential medical equipment and teaching aids in schools.

Due to the lack of grid electricity in the remote areas where most of our partners work, solar energy is the most viable source of power. It is the solution to the rising demand for electricity. This clean and sustainable energy source will benefit many generations. It is MIVA's mission to continually improve access to healthcare and education, and solar power will help us achieve this goal.

## Empowering Health and Education in Nigeria

In Nigeria 47% of households are not connected to a power network. Those who do have access experience unreliable energy output and depend on petrol and diesel generators. Apart from the noise and air pollution, fuel prices have risen drastically. This hampers the work of many community-based organisations. Stable electricity is vital to use essential medical equipment such as lifesaving heart support and oxygen machines, laboratory diagnostic machines, physiotherapy equipment, brainwave therapies, and special refrigerators to store medicines. Schools rely on electricity for teaching aids like interactive learning boards, computers, projectors, printers, photocopiers, and ventilators, as well as lighting during surgeries and classes.



MIVA's project, funded by Energy du Portugal Access to Energy Fund and by Enstall-Empowers, will install comprehensive solar energy solutions at three healthcare clinics and three inclusive schools in Nigeria. The primary objective is to provide affordable and sustainable electricity to enhance access to healthcare and education for children with disabilities (CWD). By transitioning to solar power, these facilities can fully utilize their equipment, focus resources on their core mission of providing healthcare, rehabilitation, and education for CWD, and contribute to environmental sustainability by reducing carbon footprints and setting a positive example for the community.

**'One in four healthcare facilities in sub-Saharan Africa has no access to electricity'**





# Local partnerships

MIVA collaborates with a partner network in twelve countries in Africa and Asia. Based on an equitable partnership, each country operates in a network of community-based organisations, led by one strategic partner organisation.



Through close collaboration within our established network, we supply the tools and strengthen skills to extend the reach of our partners, enabling them to help more people. With means of transport, communication, and solar power, we enhance their capacity to deliver critical aid, making a significant difference in the lives of those who need it the most. Together, we are on a mission to increase access to healthcare and education for the most vulnerable.

Our partner organisations contribute their own resources to each requested means. This way we guarantee the organisation's financial stability, secure their ability to provide their own running- and maintenance costs and establish ownership.

Due to our close partnerships with these local organisations, we understand their context, needs and possibilities. Together with our partners, we work on finding innovative solutions, with the highest need.

## Healthcare technology

Telehealth solutions leverage digital communication technologies to connect patients with healthcare providers remotely. This emerging approach enhances convenience and addresses barriers such as geographical distance and mobility issues.

Patients can now consult with specialists or receive routine care without traveling long distances. Healthcare costs are reduced by minimizing travel expenses, hospital stays, and time away from work for patients and providers. And telemedicine enhances patient outcomes by enabling timely interventions and continuous monitoring.

### Overcoming the distance

The unprecedented COVID 19 situation and 'social distancing' rules have accelerated telemedicine and telerehabilitation, which have increased the need for information and communication technology (ICT).



MIVA has provided health care workers in Zambia with tablets, phones and solar chargers. They make videos of the progress of children and share them with their therapists via secure platforms. This means that the children do not have to travel to the clinic every time. In addition, special 'rehabilitation apps' give the health workers access to more knowledge and expertise about conditions and information.

In multiple countries, digitalisation and care via telerehabilitation are increasing.

## Making a difference together

At MIVA we have a solid individual giving base and a growing portfolio of institutional donors. Over the last years we received funding from a range of institutional donors including:



Collaboration partners:





# You can make a difference

## Invest in Health and Education

Every child deserves access to education, and every family deserves reliable healthcare. Yet, for many, these basic rights remain out of reach. Together, we can change this.

We invite you to join us in reaching that last mile. Your financial support and expertise can transform lives, making healthcare and education accessible to those who need it most.

Be the catalyst for change.  
Invest in a brighter future today.

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