

Legs4Africa

GETTING SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA BACK ON ITS FEET

WHAT DO THEY DO

Legs4Africa is the charity that is getting people walking again in sub-Saharan Africa. Through re-purposing prosthetic legs that would otherwise end up in landfills, and facilitating amputee-led community groups we are giving thousands of people a year the ultimate leg up. Meeting Needs supported Legs4Africa in 2021, helping Grace (14) in Ghana to get access to a prosthetic leg.



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I am happiest when I am reading, researching and spending time with my friends. I have plans to study hard so I can travel abroad and become a great computer scientist.

Having a prosthetic leg has given me the freedom to have these dreams knowing that now I can make my own decisions for my future without having to rely on other people

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Key Facts

In 2021, Meeting Needs provided a £5000 grant to the Legs4Africa "Get legs to Africa" initiative. This project is an innovative one-year project that will give 2000 amputees in Africa the chance to walk again through the power of recycling, while reducing loneliness and isolation in the elderly.

Legs4Africa collects unwanted prosthetic limbs from hospitals across the UK, Canada, Australia and France and sends them to mobility centres throughout sub-Saharan Africa in volunteer travellers' luggage. Support for building or repairing legs is also supplied.

Since December 2020, Legs4Africa has delivered 1,081 legs plus 75 children's legs to partner hospitals in 11 countries. Legs4Africa also partners with Men's Sheds, a UK charity combating loneliness by providing spaces for men to connect, converse and use their skills to dismantle legs for transport.



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