



WOMAN, CRADLE OF ABUNDANCE

January 2026
Annual Report for 2025

2025 AT A GLANCE

ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN CONGO

EDUCATION

- 410 primary-secondary school students assisted
- 8 young women newly literate
- 60+ vocational women students
- 40 primary school graduates
- 18 secondary school graduates
- 16 sewing school graduates
- 8 cosmetology school graduates
- 14 computer science graduates

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

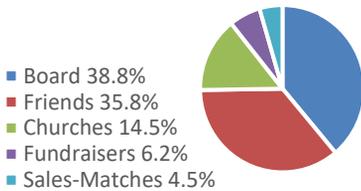
- 60+ new microloans for women
- 5 machines for sewing products
- FEBA's fine clothes shop expanded its imports to attract clients
- FEBA farm produces first harvest since violent interruption in 2023

HEALTH and SAFETY

- 400+ displaced refugees and orphans aided
- 20 houses built for flood-rape victims
- 600+ sick, food insecure, rape -victims, dying assisted

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING in the USA for 2025

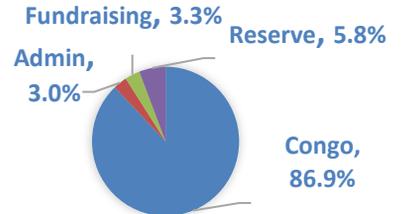
Income Sources 2025



Cash \$216,932
In-kind \$3,357

183 Individual Donors
8 Churches

EXPENDITURES 2025



At Home in the USA

Fun(d)raisers!



L: Our Spring Gala, led by Susan Lidstone, featured delightful young musical artists.
R: At the August event organized by the Preston family we loved seeing Miss Clara's joy in her new dolly (who joins two other sister-dollies!).



A New Partnership

We have begun a new partnership with Congo Leadership Initiative, another small 501c3 specializing in education and economic empowerment in Congo. In the interests of combining resources and planning for the future (as some of us are growing older!), we will share bookkeeping and accounting services.

SEE WHAT YOU HAVE DONE!

Our partners in Kinshasa & Kivu have had one of the most difficult years in memory, but thanks to **YOU**, to each one of you, they have been able to help their neighbors and communities survive and find hope. **Your** gifts, smaller or larger, are the reason, & we are all deeply grateful to you. Thank you particularly for recurring donations!

The context of trouble has been the renewed all-out war in eastern Congo, especially North and South Kivu provinces, and unprecedented flooding in the Kinshasa area. Our partners in the east have held on, through brutal conquest by M23 rebels and their Rwandan associates. Our partners in Kinshasa have held on, through devastating storms which washed away people, homes, businesses. Both partners are still doing their work with orphans, widows, destitute and hungry, with school children and vocational classes and micro finance and farm, even when it feels like one step forward, then back. **You** are the reason they have survived and are thriving! See some of the stories below.



Orphans in Goma who have not starved because you sent food.

Orphans in Goma who have courage to study because you support their school.



Refugee women in Goma praying in thanksgiving for food and water cans.



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Floods in April and June meant that more than 50 FEBA women who received new microloans in Jan 2024 were back to zero. Thanks to you, friends, they are all back in business, and 10 more were added. L: microloan recipient; R: repaying loans.

Students in the FEBA vocational programs have out exam results from August. Above right, they express their gratitude for all FEBA does for them, through your help, by singing and acting out a lively song.

SOME OF THEIR SUCCESSES

Farm



FEBA's farm is back, producing corn (above) and cassava (right), key food staples.



New Houses

Women terrorized by militias camped in their fields near Uvira in spring were able in summer to work with neighbors to build 20 new houses (60 in 3 years), with help from Princeton United Methodist and Jie Hayes.



Scholarship

WOW!!! A young woman graduate of FEBA's computer science program is now studying in Morocco(!), thanks to her hard work, skill, and help from Eddie Mukuna, Maman Monique's son, in finding and applying for a scholarship.