



Summary Annual Report 2025



Enable Abilities, Transform Lives!



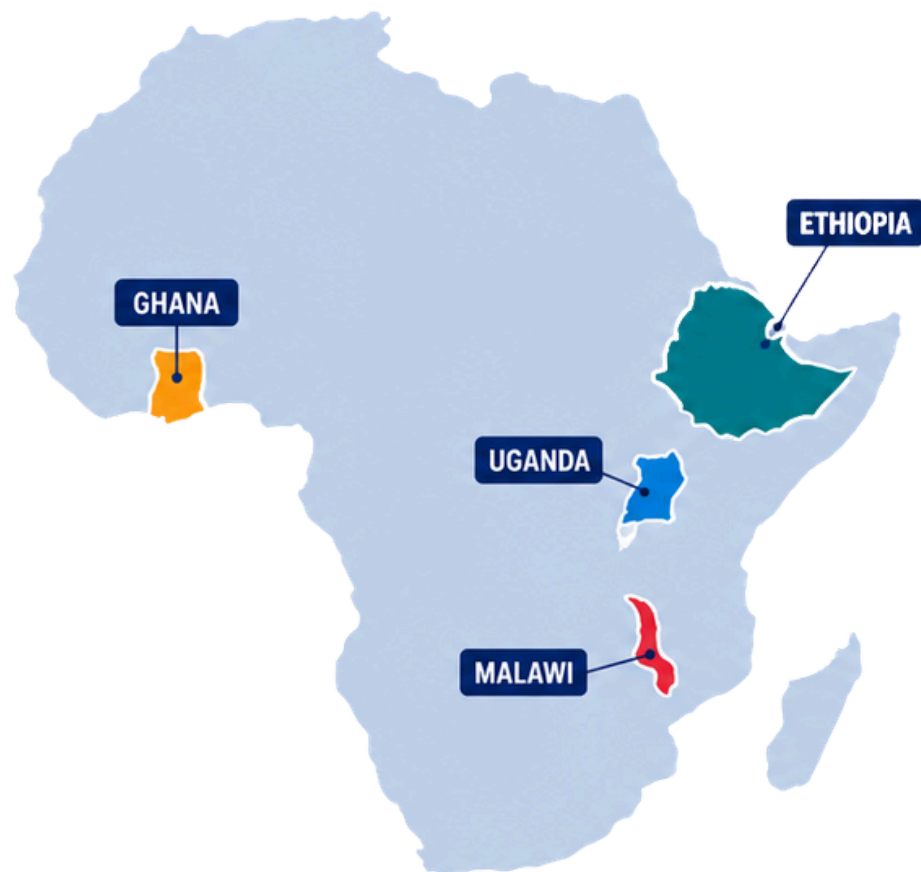
photo: GAT, Ethiopia

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2025 Highlights

Strengthening local systems and empowering families to create inclusive communities for children with disabilities.



We work together with local partners, communities, and governments to transform lives and build a more inclusive future for every child.



ACROSS THE PROGRAMME:



1,680

children with disabilities supported



2,570

family members & caregivers reached



494

health & CBR workers trained



264

assistive devices provided



101

community & government stakeholders engaged

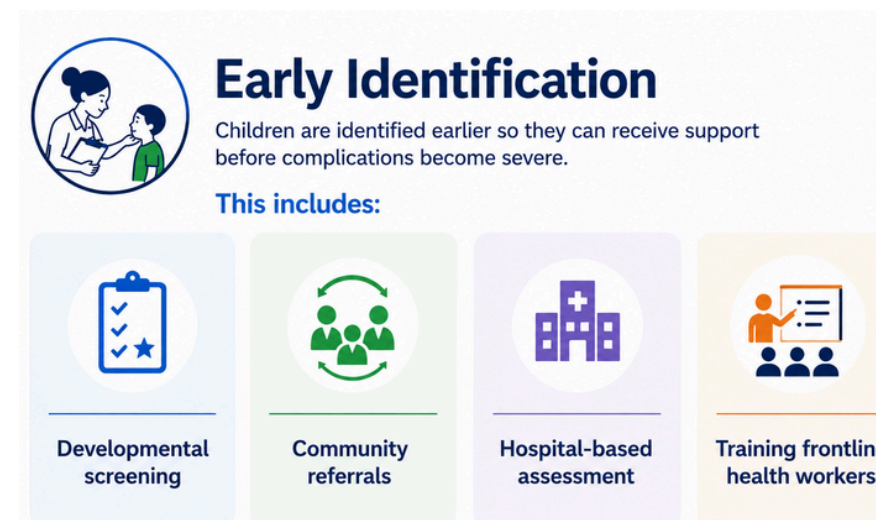
Strengthening Local Systems. Transforming Lives.

Across the world, millions of children with disabilities still face major barriers every day. Many are identified too late, have little access to healthcare or rehabilitation, are excluded from school, and remain invisible within their communities. Families often carry the responsibility alone, without support, information, or financial resources. These challenges are even greater for children with severe neurodevelopmental disabilities living in low-resource settings.

In 2025, Enablement Foundation worked together with local organisations in Ethiopia, Ghana, Malawi, and Uganda to change this reality. Our focus was not only on supporting individual children, but also on strengthening the systems around them — hospitals, rehabilitation centers, community workers, caregivers, schools, and local governments — so support can continue long after projects end.

Despite a difficult global funding climate and an important organisational merger in 2024, programmes across all four countries continued to grow. More children received rehabilitation, medical follow-up, assistive devices, and inclusion support. More caregivers gained practical training, counselling, and opportunities to improve their household income. At the same time, health workers and Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) staff strengthened their skills to provide better quality support.

One of the biggest changes in 2025 was earlier identification of children with disabilities. In Ethiopia and Malawi, hospitals strengthened screening and referral systems, while in Uganda trained Village Health Teams improved identification and follow-up at community level. Earlier support helped prevent complications and improved developmental outcomes for many children.



Rehabilitation services also became more connected to local systems. Home visits, multidisciplinary clinics, outreach services, and caregiver coaching expanded across all countries. In Uganda, disability data became part of the national Health Management Information System (HMIS), helping ensure that children with disabilities are recognised within national planning and services.



Caregivers became stronger and more confident through counselling, peer support groups, savings groups, and livelihood activities. Many families improved their financial stability and became active advocates for their children within their communities.

Access to assistive devices also improved. In Ethiopia, local production capacity increased through collaboration with Shonaquip Social Enterprise and the use of practical technologies such as 3D printing. This helped make assistive devices more accessible and sustainable.



Innovation remained an important part of our work. The RehApp digital tool supported rehabilitation teams with case management, follow-up, and data collection, especially in Malawi. Research partnerships also helped generate evidence on practical digital solutions for rehabilitation in low-resource settings.

Looking ahead to 2026, Enablement Foundation will continue strengthening local programmes, expanding practical tools and innovations, and building long-term partnerships. Our goal remains simple but important: ensuring that children with disabilities and their families are no longer left behind, but fully included in their communities and supported to reach their potential.

Ethiopia: Reaching the Hardest to Reach

Programme highlights

Local Partners: Grand Assistive Technology Centre (GAT) and University of Gondar

Geographic Focus: 14 districts, Northwest Ethiopia



461

children with disabilities supported



1040

family members & caregivers reached



126

health & CBR workers trained



40

assistive devices provided

In remote areas of Northwest Ethiopia, many children with disabilities face enormous barriers to accessing care. In 2025, the programme demonstrated how integrated systems — connecting hospitals, community rehabilitation, intensive therapy, and local innovation — can change this reality. Children and families gained access to earlier identification, home-based rehabilitation, inclusive education support, and intensive therapy programmes for families travelling from hard-to-reach communities.

At the same time, locally produced assistive devices increased access to affordable and child-friendly mobility support. The programme showed that when communities, hospitals, and local innovation work together, children with disabilities can access continuous and life-changing care.



Ghana: Strengthening Families and Care Systems

Programme highlights

Local partners: Multikids Africa

Geographic Focus: Central and Eastern regions of Ghana



367

children with disabilities supported



354

family members & caregivers reached



38

health & CBR workers trained



138

assistive devices provided

In Ghana, the programme expanded its reach while deepening the quality of community-based rehabilitation services. More children accessed rehabilitation, caregivers strengthened their resilience and financial stability, and referral systems became stronger through improved collaboration between health, education, and community structures.

Caregivers reported reduced stress and increased confidence in supporting their children, while children demonstrated improved mobility, communication, seizure management, and school attendance. The programme also strengthened the use of digital monitoring systems such as RehApp to improve coordination and follow-up.



photo: Multikids Africa, Ghana

Malawi: Integrated Care and Digital Innovation

Programme highlights

Local partners: Mangochi District Hospital

Geographical focus: Mangochi District



246

children with disabilities supported



246

family members & caregivers reached



113

health & CBR workers trained



24

assistive devices provided

In Malawi, families used to travel to different places for care—often without clear answers. Now, they can get everything in one place. At Mangochi District Hospital, families receive coordinated support in one visit:

- Medical check-ups;
- Rehabilitation support;
- Nutrition advice;
- Practical guidance on daily activities.

This approach reduces travel costs and makes care easier to access. Early identification has also improved. Health workers, volunteers, and caregivers were trained to recognise early signs of disability. As a result, more children are identified sooner and can start therapy earlier. Caregivers learn practical skills they can use at home—how to feed safely, position their child, and support development. Some caregivers have become peer trainers, helping others in their community. Assistive devices such as wheelchairs and seating were provided, helping children sit, play, and participate more in daily life. Children who stayed at home are now attending school, going to church, and joining community activities



photo: Mangochi District Hospital, Malawi

Uganda: Community Systems at Scale

Programme highlights

Local Partner: Katalemwa Cheshire Home (KCH)

Geographical Focus: Eastern Uganda – including Budaka and Namwendwa sub-counties



606

children with disabilities supported



928

family members & caregivers reached



217

health & CBR workers trained



62

assistive devices provided

In Eastern Uganda, the programme shifted from stand-alone service delivery toward long-term systems strengthening. Working closely with local governments, health facilities, and communities, disability inclusion became increasingly embedded within village and parish structures. Village Health Teams now play a key role in early identification, rehabilitation follow-up, and nutrition support. Parent groups strengthened financial resilience and peer support, while inclusive daycare initiatives helped reduce stigma and isolation.

Most importantly, disability outreach data became integrated into the Government Health Management Information System (HMIS), ensuring that children with disabilities are recognised within national systems — not only within projects. The programme demonstrates that sustainable inclusion is possible when disability support becomes part of local systems and community structures.



Innovative Tools and Services on CBR and DID

Practical Tools. Stronger Programmes

In 2025, Enablement Foundation continued helping local organisations in Ethiopia, Ghana, Malawi, and Uganda improve support for children with disabilities and their families.

Following the merger of Enablement B.V. and the former Cerebral Palsy Africa Foundation, the organisation brought together expertise, practical tools, and training to strengthen local programmes and community-based rehabilitation (CBR).

RehApp: Supporting CBR Workers

A major focus in 2025 was the further rollout of the RehApp — a digital tool that helps rehabilitation workers and outreach staff assess children, plan support, track progress, and collect programme data using mobile phones.

In Malawi, the RehApp was introduced at Mangochi District Hospital, where it helped staff digitise records and improve follow-up of children and families. Training on the app was also provided to teams in Ethiopia, Ghana, and Uganda, helping local staff use data and monitoring more effectively in their daily work.

Together with the Liliane Foundation and partners in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Enablement Foundation also started a research project to study how digital tools like the RehApp can improve rehabilitation services in low-resource settings.

RehApp

Powering better disability support through smart field tools and meaningful data.



66

countries



5

partner NGOs



124

trained users



3072

client files



Enhanced visibility

See which services are provided and to whom



Better case management

Streamline follow-up, referrals, and service coordination



Data-driven & transparent reporting

Enhance impact, demonstrate accountability, and support funding



Affordable

Compared to commercial MIS or clinical apps



RehApp helps our fieldworkers provide more consistent support and track progress more easily.” — Partner NGO staff member

Practical Learning Tools

Alongside the RehApp, local partners used several practical tools to support learning, inclusion, and community awareness:

**Shifting the Focus**
An interactive learning game helping people better understand the daily challenges faced by children with cerebral palsy and their families.

**Disability and Religion Toolkit**
Supporting religious leaders to promote inclusion and reduce stigma.

**Image Bank**
Visual materials used during training and awareness activities.

**PIE Toolkit**
Helping organisations collect feedback and improve their programmes together with communities.

Training and Knowledge Sharing

In 2025, Enablement Foundation also delivered training and programme evaluations for partner organisations and professionals working in disability inclusion and CBR, including in the Netherlands through collaboration with [The Hague Academy for Local Governance](#).

Learning events and partner exchanges throughout the year helped organisations share practical experience, strengthen cooperation, and improve support for children with disabilities and their families.

Through practical tools, training, and strong partnerships, Enablement Foundation continued helping local programmes provide better, more sustainable support close to home.



Partnerships, Fundraising and Continuity

Funding Resources

To support children with disabilities in the long term, strong partnerships and reliable funding are essential. In 2025, Enablement Foundation worked with a wide range of partners—local organisations, international donors, and supporters—to keep programmes running and growing.

A BALANCED WAY OF FUNDING

We do not rely on one source of income. Instead, we combine:

FUNDING SOURCE	PURPOSE	EXAMPLES / DONORS
 Support from foundations and institutional donors	Foundations and institutional donors	The Waterlander, Summer Fund, Hoeve Zadoks, Jars of Clay, Hofste and Wilde Ganzen
 Project funding	For specific activities and innovations with selected partners	Liliane Foundation ADED-RDC
 Donations	From individuals, churches, and communities	Remonstranten Rotterdam WoMan Zingt B.V.
 Income	From training, advice, and tools through partner collaborations	KidsCare Kenya The Hague Academy for Local Governance

→ This mix helps us stay stable and continue our work, even when funding changes.

Strong partnerships, real impact

In addition to funding relationships, the organisation maintains strategic partnerships with like-minded organisations that complement and strengthen the quality and sustainability of its work.

Our partners make our work possible.



Local organisations

deliver support to children and families



International partners

support innovation and learning



Technical partners

help improve tools and services



FOR EXAMPLE:



The partnership with **100Weeks** supported families in Ghana and Uganda to build income



Collaboration with **Shonaquip** strengthened local production of assistive devices in Ethiopia



Partnerships with organisations like **Caritas Germany** helped increase visibility of our work and tools



Working together means we can reach more children and create lasting change.

Looking ahead

In the coming years, we will:



Strengthen relationships with existing donors



Reach new supporters



Expand income from training and services



Continue investing in strong local partnerships



Together, we can create greater impact for children and communities.

Governance and staff

Supervisory Board

Enablement Foundation is guided by a Supervisory Board of five professionals with expertise in finance, development cooperation, digital innovation and governance. The Board provides independent oversight, reviews plans and financial performance, and supports long-term strategy and partnerships. Their guidance helps ensure transparency, accountability and responsible use of resources.

Leadership and Operational Team

Enablement Foundation works with a lean but highly skilled team of 1.8 FTE across three staff members:

- The Director leads organisational strategy, finances and partnerships.
- The Programme Development Officer and RehApp Project Coordinator drives innovation, digital tools and donor engagement.
- The Programme Manager strengthens programme quality, PMEL systems and partner coordination.

Together, the team ensures strong programme delivery, continuous learning and close collaboration with partners. Despite its small size, Enablement Foundation operates with clear structures and professional standards.

Organisational Policies and Systems

Enablement Foundation maintains strong internal systems, including financial controls, safeguarding, data protection, procurement procedures and PMEL frameworks.

Policies are regularly reviewed and improved to align with good practice in international development and disability inclusion. The organisation also invests in staff development, digital innovation and organisational learning. Regular reflection and planning help the team remain flexible, effective and focused on long-term impact.

Students and Volunteers

In 2025, students supported Enablement Foundation through internships focused on research, systems development and programme support. In addition, two volunteers contributed to proposal development, policy improvement and strengthening organisational tools. Their involvement brought valuable expertise and fresh perspectives to the organisation.



OUR FOCUS IN 2026

Scaling CBR for Children with Neurodevelopmental Disabilities

In 2026, we move from strategy to implementation—strengthening country programmes, scaling practical tools, building technical leadership, and securing financial sustainability.

BY 2028, WE AIM TO HAVE:



Stable, scalable
country
programmes



Innovative
tools and
services



Measurable
impact for children
and families



Financially
resilient
organisation

1 PROGRAMME IMPACT & TECHNICAL LEADERSHIP



Strengthening country CBR programmes for quality, accountability and growth.



Ensure programme quality and accountability



Strengthen partner capacity



Promote innovation and evidence



Prepare for scale

2 SCALING PRACTICAL TOOLS FOR DISABILITY INCLUSION



Developing practical, field-tested tools that drive inclusion and create future income streams.



Improve monitoring and data use



Expand training and learning tools



Increase accessibility and reach



Develop new practical tools

3 ADVANCING TECHNICAL LEADERSHIP



Recognised as a trusted technical advisor in CBR programming and evaluation.



Strengthen research partnerships



Generate evidence



Increase global visibility

4 ORGANISATIONAL STRENGTH & FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY



Building a strong foundation for sustainable growth and accountability.



Strengthen financial management



Ensure compliance and transparency



Strengthen internal capacity

5 IMPLEMENTING A STRUCTURED FUNDRAISING STRATEGY



Diversifying our funding base to ensure continuity and long-term impact.



Diversify funding streams



Deepen donor relationships



Increase visibility & private giving



RISK MANAGEMENT

We actively manage financial, operational and external risks through a diversified and forward-looking approach.



Diversify income through grants, consultancy and specialised tools



Ensure financial sustainability by including at least 12.5% overhead in projects



Engage volunteers and short-term experts to support our team



Strengthen marketing and donor segmentation to broaden our funding base

Financial overview 2025

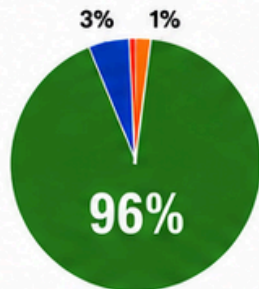
Specification and breakdown of costs by destination

Cost category	 Ethiopia	 Uganda	 Malawi	 Ghana	 Other countries	 Consultancies	 Fundraising	 Mgmt & admin	 Total
 Contributions provided	108,107.32	132,000.73	47,592.00	188,174.24	477.76	–	–	–	476,351.75
 Travel and project costs	1,526.26	1,620.79	1,476.19	–	–	6,473.90	–	292.27	11,389.41
 Outsourced work	4,384.42	4,384.42	7,734.42	4,708.82	–	1,125.00	–	70.69	22,407.77
 Communication costs	50.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	–	940.32	6,206.97	161.16	7,433.45
 Personnel cost	15,989.80	15,989.80	15,989.80	15,989.80	–	36,941.77	33,647.60	23,666.00	158,214.57
 Accommodation cost	–	–	–	–	–	412.00	–	1,800.00	2,212.00
 Office and general expenses	43.39	43.39	43.39	43.39	–	–	–	17,980.00	18,153.56
 Depreciation	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	300.00	300.00
 Total per objective	130,101.19	154,064.13	72,860.80	208,941.25	477.76	45,892.99	39,854.57	44,270.12	696,462.51



WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM

Total income: **€658,973**



- Foundations & non-profit organisations €632,388 (96%)
- Services & trainings €18,940 (3%)
- Private donors €7,645 (1%)

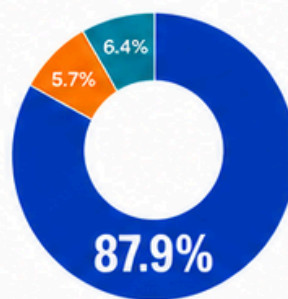


Most funding comes from strong partnerships with organisations.



HOW THE MONEY WAS USED

Total expenses: **€696,463**



- Programme work €612,338 (87.9%)
- Fundraising €39,855 (5.7%)
- Management & administration €44,270 (6.4%)



87.9% goes directly to children and families.

The majority of our resources are invested in delivering life-changing programmes that create real impact.



WHERE THE MONEY WENT – PROGRAMME WORK

Total programme spending: **€612,338**



Over €612,000 invested directly in programmes in 4 countries.



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