

What a month - September 2019!!



Welcome to yet another edition - our September 2019 Newsletter is here.

We are thrilled to share some really great news from the last few weeks. We were both humbled and thrilled to be honoured as one of the **three finalists** for the FIFA Diversity Award 2019. Though it couldn't any higher than this, there's still so much more to do.

We found a venue for the 2019/20 Christmas Camp. It's happening again and we can't wait to welcome 3.000 kids to the 8th edition of Uganda's biggest football festival.

The Sparta 09 U15s are **national champions**, and the Football 4 WASH programme has been in high gear. We share some photos from the last weeks, and more!

We hope you enjoy the read!

FIFA Diversity Award 2019

We are more than humbled to have been selected as one of the three **finalists** for the [FIFA Diversity Award 2019](#).

Last month our CEO was in Milan, Italy for the **FIFA Diversity Award 2019** ceremony where *Futbol Mas Foundation* was awarded winners, as *PlayOnSide* and *Watoto Wasoka* were also awarded finalists.

The recognition is a testament for all the efforts we've posted since 2009 in Empowering, Mobilizing & Educating Slum kids through Football!

The award recognises not only Watoto Wasoka, but the thousands of individuals, organisations and networks on the same path. Your support has seen us to such heights, and we believe there's still so much more to do, for and, with the kids!

Photos: FIFA / Getty Images.



Christmas Camp is here

It's that time of the year again, the festive season is almost here. The Christmas Camp is upon us. Mark the dates – 28th December 2019 to 4th January 2020 at Ganyana Junior School, Jeza, off Mityana road. We can't wait!

The 8th edition of Uganda's biggest football festival is here, and more than 3,000 kids await the time of their lives! Football, food, fun and friends. For a full week, we will organise football and learning for the boys and girls, coaches and volunteers including workshops around Football 4 WASH, motivation,

counselling and career guidance.

How will you support to make it a week to remember for these 3,000+ kids? Will you volunteer? Will you donate? Will you offer ideas? Will you bring a team? Will you sponsor a team? Will you offer items in kind or buy some of our cool merchandise? Will you support girls' football or a workshop? For any way you decide to get involved you will bring smiles, and a life changing eventful week for these boys and girls from all around Uganda.

Sparta 09 wins national championship

Our very own Sparta 09 U15 team qualified for the UYFA – TAPIN national championship in Masaka, competed in the championship and emerged winners. The championship took place 4 – 8 September, 2019 at Kako Secondary School, Masaka. It involved more than 25 teams who had qualified from the various FUFA regions in Uganda.

Sparta 09 U15s beat Alfa Football Academy 1-0 in the finals, courtesy of a Sebunya Alfred goal. Tebere Vicent was also awarded best goalkeeper of the tournament for his goalkeeping display in Masaka. Congratulations are in order to the gallant #SpartanerJungs and coaches for making us proud.



Football 4 WASH Updates...

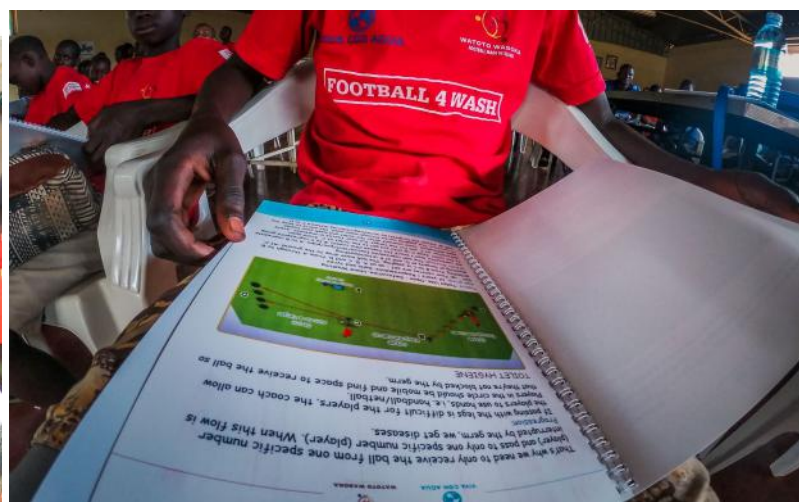
In the last couple of months, we've been up and running with trainings and workshops. More than 60 participants including two boys and two girls plus two teachers from each of the schools. The training that took a week long was also managed by Welthungerhilfe and

For starters, we hosted 12 schools to a Football 4 WASH Challenge; a day—long gala was hosted at the lovely Cooperation and Development (C&D) youth centre in Moroto. The training that took a week long was also managed by Welthungerhilfe and

Four schools were selected (Busega Primary School, ABC Divine Foundation School, KCCA Busega Community School and Moon Light Junior School). For these, [Viva con Agua](#) has started the process of implementing the facilities at the said schools. The facilities range from clean water systems to sanitation facilities. Only last month, we trained another cohort of community coaches in the Football 4 WASH methodology. At least 65 coaches competed the week-long training in Kampala. These will be tasked with implementing workshops in their various communities and will need to qualify them for the challenge tournament in December.

We returned to Karamoja to do a refresher training for 14 schools in the region together with Viva con Agua and Welthungerhilfe in Moroto. The training was attended by more Photos: Papa Shabani for Viva con Agua, and Priscilla Prim for Watoto Wasoka.





Get Involved...

Volunteer / intern with us....

You are currently in Kampala, Uganda or planning on going there and want to do some voluntary work? You are a hobby or professional football player or coach who like to kick the ball with our kids? We seek enthusiastic people passionate about children's rights, football and girls, with willingness to interact with others, and increase their hands-on experience of football, children and girls. Put your ICT and tech skills to test by running our website.

The list of opportunities is long; we would love to hear from you soon.

- Attend the Grand Slums Derby and/or the Christmas Camp
- Getting to make a real difference applying your personal skill set to better the world, you help improving daily training work
- And so much more...

We need your support....

Your monetary contribution! Every Shilling counts for us!

Sponsoring of tournament or WATOTO WASOKA in general, single or frequent contribution

Support through material and commodities

Any other activity that would help us to get an inch closer to our organization's goals!

And we offer....

Accountability & Transparency: You will know where your contribution was spent / used for

Visibility (if desired): We will mention your support on our website and tell everybody we know :)



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Football Made In Slums!

Founded in 2009, we're a non-profit, youth-led football for development organisation. We use football as a vehicle for social change in the lives of slum children in Uganda. We seek to change lives, one game at a time through structured football programs.

As one of our main support concepts, we facilitate access to primary and secondary education for slum children. Through our close ties with the slum football scene, public and private schools, we have a unique network which has enabled more than 600 kids to attend school which they would otherwise not have.

We offer health education (Football4WASH, HIV/AIDS, vocational training, school support and a place to call home/go-to during holidays or when times are rough.