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BURUNDI FIGHTING EXTREME POVERTY: THE WAY TO INVEST IN PEACE



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Photo: Jillian Edelstein - Burundi

Amidst a difficult political environment, FXB is concerned about the growing food insecurity in Burundi. Convinced that investing in humanity is investing in peace, the international NGO continues to fight extreme poverty in the country, offering the most vulnerable families a chance to permanently break the vicious circle of poverty.

Since its independence, Burundi has experienced repeated political crises which have involved serious outbreaks of violence between the two main ethnic groups: the majority Hutu and the minority Tutsi. The economy is based almost exclusively on agriculture. Recently, Burundi was strongly affected by the climate pattern El Niño. The sociopolitical crisis which started in April 2015 has also increasingly affected the population resulting in food insecurity for 1.46 million Burundians, of which nearly 350,000 are in emergency situation (FAO, November 2016). These numbers are rising.

**FXB's impact is
concrete and
measurable.**

**It already impacted
millions of
children's lives all
over the world.**

**Millions of others
are waiting for your
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Buterere's waste disposal - FXB

In November 2016, with the support of the Arcanum Foundation and Roi Baudoin Foundation, FXB inaugurated its third community development program, the FXB Village, in Buterere, located northwest of Burundi's capital, Bujumbura. In this commune, life is particularly difficult since it serves as an area of waste disposal for the surrounding municipalities. A large minority of Batwa (former slaves known as pigmies), lives today in this neighborhood, suffering segregation and denial of their rights.

For a period of three years, FXB accompanies vulnerable families towards social and economic autonomy by simultaneously addressing the causes of poverty. In 2016, FXB directly impacted the lives of 1,500 adults and children living near the capital's waste disposal, therefore increasing the chances for survival of the most vulnerable.



Photo: Alain Wicht

Founded by **Albina du Boisrouvray**, **FXB International** is a non-governmental organization with over 25 years of history of breaking the cycle of poverty. Present in 14 countries with a staff of 450 collaborators, its mission is to provide families living in extreme poverty with the tools and support they need to become self-sufficient, raise their children in a safe environment and give them a future.

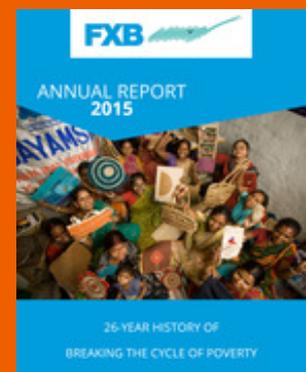
In the past quarter of a century, FXB International has already



Some of FXB's participants in Burundi



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developed 168 Community Development Programs FXBVillage across nine countries - Burundi, China, Colombia, DRC, India, Mongolia, Rwanda, Thailand and Uganda - helping more than 83'000 people out of extreme poverty.

In addition to the FXBVillage programs, **17 million adults and children across 20 countries have benefited from the presence of FXB in their communities** through sustainable community development, infrastructure rehabilitation, education, HIV/AIDS and other diseases prevention, awareness and access to water and sanitation programs.

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