

Uphold a Uniform



Your gift of **School Uniforms** gives all children the chance to go to school ... so they can learn, make friends, and have fun!

Your gift delivered in:

Kismayo,
Jubaland State,
Somalia



<p><i>Why your help is needed</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Years of conflict and armed violence means millions of people have had to flee their homes • More than 4 million Somalis now live in IDP Camps (IDP = Internally Displaced Person - like a refugee, but in your home country) • Children are missing out on a quality education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ most teachers untrained, as no government money available ◦ families may need to suddenly flee, so children miss school ◦ children with disabilities even more likely to miss out
<p><i>How your gift changes lives</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your School Uniform helps children attend school ...and provides safety for girls, as it shows they are expected at school • School also provides many other benefits: like friends, structure and fun!
<p><i>ALWayS for those forgotten</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children with disabilities in poor countries like Somalia often suffer more than their peers • There are very few or no support services for them • Their families may be seen as cursed, and children hidden away • Your gift shows extra care to those in danger of being forgotten. Thank you!
<p><i>Your gift delivered by</i></p>	<p>LWF Kenya-Somalia</p>



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Now I can attend school without worry.”

Axlam, Somalia

CASE STUDY

“I won’t be left behind”

When Axlam was born with a hearing impairment, her family thought she’d probably miss out on an education.

You see, there was no school for children with disabilities in her village.

Yet as Axlam grew up, she was determined to go to school. She knew an education would give her the best chance of supporting her family.

When fighting forced Axlam and her family to flee their home, they found safety at an IDP Camp. Although they were safe, life was not easy, as Axlam shares:

“After settling at the IDP camp, life became bleak and our future was hanging in the balance...”

We depend on food donated in the camp and menial jobs that my mother finds on construction sites, earning about \$2 a day.

Our family’s hut is patched with pieces of polythene and cardboard in the camps hosting over 2,000 families.

Through my mother’s resilience and determination, things got better for us. It’s here where my passion for education grew.”

Through ALWS, you support inclusive education in Jubaland, where Axlam was living. She was enrolled in school and started learning through sign language:

“I feel good when I enrolled in school. I am fond of the English subject and I want to become an English teacher.

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When someone has an ambition and gets support at the right time, they will achieve their ambitions. There are no obstacles that can possibly stop you!

The work of ALWS and LWF means many young people with disabilities can now enrol in school and get an education. This creates an equal opportunity for all learners.

It means I won’t be left behind. Therefore, I am grateful to ALWS for the support”.



Your uniforms are packed...



...then handed out



...so everyone has the chance to learn!

All photos: LWF Somalia