



DONATION & CIRCULAR PARTNERSHIPS

Where surplus becomes shared value.

ABOUT THE

FOOD FOREST FOUNDATION



Food Forest Foundation is a grassroots organisation working in Zambia to regenerate land, strengthen food systems, and support long-term community livelihoods through practical, place-based action.

Our work focuses on building living systems; restoring degraded landscapes through tree planting and agroforestry, supporting regenerative farming practices, and developing community-led programmes that grow food, income and ecological resilience side by side.

We are not interested in surface-level sustainability.

We are focused on the slow, patient work of regeneration, where progress is measured in healthier soil, stronger ecosystems, and communities with the skills and autonomy to steward their own futures.

Everything we build is designed to last beyond us.

Knowledge is transferred. Systems are owned locally. Impact is rooted in place.

Our partnerships, programmes and projects are shaped around one guiding principle that real change happens when people and land are supported together.

WHY DONATION

PARTNERSHIPS MATTER

Across the world, perfectly usable goods are discarded every day.

Across rural communities, people go without essentials that support education, dignity and opportunity.

We partner with brands to redirect surplus into meaningful use, with care and intention.

When done well, circular partnerships create shared value.

They reduce waste responsibly.

They strengthen real systems on the ground.

They support education, food security and livelihoods.

They create impact without dependency.

This is not charity theatre.

It is practical, considered redistribution shaped by real needs.

Donation partnerships are most effective when they are designed, not improvised. We work with partners to ensure contributions align with genuine community needs, local context and long-term outcomes.

This approach transforms surplus from a logistical problem into a purposeful asset; supporting education, strengthening livelihoods and reinforcing systems that endure beyond the moment of donation.



WHERE YOUR

CONTRIBUTION LANDS

Every contribution is guided by community priorities and placed where it can genuinely strengthen systems, not just meet immediate need.

THE SCHOOL

Education is one of the most powerful levers for long-term change. Contributions here support attendance, confidence and opportunity.

Uniforms, shoes, books and learning materials help children show up with dignity and stay engaged in their education.

THE FARM & FOOD SYSTEMS

Food security is built through skills, tools and consistency.

Contributions here support practical food production and long-term resilience.

Tools, protective gear and simple equipment help communities grow more food, build capability and strengthen independence.

COMMUNITY ESSENTIALS

Dignity in daily life matters. Contributions here support wellbeing, stability and basic comfort.

Durable clothing, bedding, hygiene items and practical household goods are prioritised for their usefulness in real conditions.



QUALITY OVER VOLUME

The integrity of donation partnerships lives in the details.

We prioritise contributions that are useful, appropriate and durable in real conditions, because what arrives should strengthen dignity, not compromise it.

When donations are thoughtfully chosen, they support confidence, wellbeing and long-term usefulness. That is why we take an intentional approach, assessing suitability with local leaders, considering cultural fit, and prioritising quality over volume to ensure every contribution serves a genuine purpose.

WHAT WE PRIORITISE

We focus on items that hold long-term value and can be used immediately and safely.

Our most needed items include:

- Clothing in excellent condition
- Children's uniforms, shoes and backpacks
- Books, stationery and learning resources
- Farm tools, gloves and protective wear
- Storage containers and practical equipment
- Hygiene and household essentials

We always confirm suitability together before anything moves.
Intentionality matters more than volume.

IMPACT THAT STANDS

UP TO SCRUTINY.

Donation partnerships only work when they protect dignity and meet real needs. That is why we work closely with local leaders to assess suitability, prioritise cultural fit, and distribute through trusted community networks.

Our work is embedded in real places, with real communities, over time. It is visible, documented and accountable. Partners are able to point to real sites, real activity and real outcomes, not abstract claims but grounded proof.

Impact is not only seen, it is also tracked. We work in partnership with Greensteps to monitor and evidence our programmes, ensuring that activity on the ground is recorded, measured and reported with integrity.

Where appropriate, partners may receive visibility into where contributions land, supported by respectful photography and storytelling from the field. Some partnerships are anchored to place, with the opportunity to connect an organisation to a dedicated area of land or named site.

The intention is simple: to move goods responsibly, place them thoughtfully, and create impact that is real.



AN INVITATION TO MAKE SURPLUS MATTER

We partner with organisations who want to reduce waste responsibly and contribute to something meaningful, without performative optics or superficial gestures.

If your organisation holds surplus goods that could support education, food systems or community wellbeing, we would welcome the conversation.

We do not seek volume.

We seek alignment.

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