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June was another month of meaningful progress across the Global Unites movement as country chapters continued empowering young people, strengthening community partnerships, and advancing grassroots peacebuilding initiatives. From leadership development and school engagement to climate action, youth empowerment, and community dialogue, Global Unites chapters worked together to create opportunities for learning, collaboration, and positive social change. Across different cultural and geographical contexts, volunteers, educators, community leaders, and young changemakers demonstrated that lasting peace begins with local action. As our global network continues to grow, each initiative reflects our shared commitment to building more inclusive, resilient, and united communities around the world.





UGANDA UNITES

Strengthening Foundations for Strategic Growth

During June, Uganda Unites continued expanding its impact through leadership development, community engagement, and organizational growth. A major milestone was hosting representatives from the Micah 6:8 Foundation during a donor visit to the organization's new office, marking an important chapter in Uganda Unites' growth after ten years of service. The chapter also hosted "Building Impact: Leading Beyond Success" at the American Center, bringing together 45 participants for an inspiring leadership session that challenged traditional views of success and equipped attendees with practical tools for creating lasting community impact. These initiatives reinforced Uganda Unites' commitment to developing ethical leaders and strengthening partnerships that support long-term peacebuilding efforts.

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Participant Uganda Unites

A participant of the Building Impact: Leading Beyond Success session shared that the program transformed their understanding of leadership and impact. They reflected that meaningful change is not determined by resources or qualifications but by purpose, consistency, and genuine service to others. The session inspired them to begin creating positive change within their own community using the opportunities already available to them.



COUNTRY CHAPTER SPOTLIGHTS



LIBERIA UNITES

Youth Engagement Across Schools and Communities

Liberia Unites maintained strong momentum throughout June by combining school outreach, community engagement, and partnership development. The chapter organized two community engagement sessions reaching more than 100 participants through discussions on youth leadership, service learning, and non-violence. School Relations Engagements reached over 400 students in Paynesville, while preparations for the Future Leaders Conference (FLC) continued through venue assessments, partnership meetings, and volunteer coordination. The team also secured a donation of school books through AME University and strengthened collaboration with educational authorities to expand future programming.



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Joseph T. Kpaine
Grade 12A
Buchanan SDA High School

Joseph T. Kpaine, a Grade 12 student at Buchanan SDA High School, shared that Liberia Unites' School Relations Program inspired him to pursue entrepreneurship and youth leadership. He noted that the sessions encouraged self-reliance, community service, and leadership, ultimately motivating him to register as a Liberia Unites volunteer to support future activities across Grand Bassa County.





NEPAL UNITES

Strengthening National and International Partnerships

Nepal Unites continued to strengthen youth leadership and sustainable partnerships while advancing preparations for the Future Leaders Conference. During June, the chapter finalized the FLC proposal, coordinated fundraising initiatives, engaged corporate partners and embassies, and continued stakeholder consultations to strengthen the conference. Nepal Unites also partnered with Youth Advocacy Nepal to support the National Hackathon on Youth, Gender Equality and Climate Justice 2026, demonstrating its commitment to environmental sustainability and youth-led innovation. Additionally, the organization continued supporting the Dignified Menstruation Campaign, empowering young people through education on gender equality, human dignity, and menstrual health.

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Muna B.K., Dang
Participant

Dignified Menstruation with Children Initiative

Muna B.K., a participant in the Dignified Menstruation with Children Initiative, shared that the sessions increased her understanding of menstruation and human rights. She emphasized that the program challenged discrimination surrounding menstruation and helped participants recognize dignity and equality as rights that should be respected by everyone.





CONGO UNITES

Building Peace from the Ground Up

In June, Congo Unites celebrated a significant milestone in advancing youth-led peacebuilding and community development in Goma, Democratic Republic of the Congo. On 23 June, twelve local youth organizations officially launched community initiatives aimed at strengthening peacebuilding, social cohesion, and environmental protection as part of the implementation of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 2250 on Youth, Peace and Security.

Among these initiatives was the "BADILIKA" project, presented by Congo Unites National Director Steve Bigirinama. The initiative focuses on empowering young people to become active citizens by strengthening civic participation, building resilience, and promoting peaceful coexistence while encouraging environmental stewardship within their communities. Through this project, Congo Unites continues to demonstrate the vital role that youth play in addressing local challenges and driving sustainable social change.

This achievement reflects Congo Unites' unwavering commitment to equipping young people with the skills, opportunities, and leadership platforms needed to become catalysts for peace. By transforming ideas into action, the chapter continues to contribute meaningfully to both local community development and the broader global Youth, Peace and Security agenda.



FROM UGANDA'S CLASSROOMS TO THE OBAMA PRESIDENTIAL CENTER



A Global Stage for Community Leadership

At Global Unites, we often say that extraordinary change begins with ordinary people who choose to lead.

This month, we are proud to celebrate a remarkable milestone for Amos Kiyungi, Founder and National Director of Uganda Unites, whose story and leadership journey have been featured in "Imagine Your Impact," a new interactive experience at the Obama Presidential Center in Chicago.

What began years ago in classrooms and communities across Uganda is now being shared with visitors from around the world as an example of the transformative power of grassroots leadership.

A Story That Represents More Than One Person

Amos's inclusion in this global exhibition is not only a personal achievement—it is a recognition of the thousands of young people, educators, community leaders, volunteers, and partners who have helped build the Uganda Unites movement.

Through sport, dialogue, and leadership development, Uganda Unites has empowered young people to bridge divides, foster understanding, and strengthen social cohesion in communities across the country.

Today, that story stands alongside inspiring changemakers from around the world who are demonstrating what leadership in action looks like.



Inspiring the Next Generation

The Obama Presidential Center's "Imagine Your Impact" experience highlights leaders whose work is creating meaningful change in their communities while encouraging others to step forward and make a difference.

For Global Unites, this recognition reinforces a simple but powerful truth:

Leadership is not defined by position or title, it is defined by service, courage, and the willingness to create positive change where you are.

Amos's journey serves as a reminder that local action can have global influence, and that the work being done every day across the Global Unites network is contributing to a more united and peaceful world.

Celebrating a Shared Achievement

We congratulate Amos and the entire Uganda Unites team on this well-deserved recognition.

Their dedication, innovation, and commitment to empowering young leaders continue to inspire our growing Global Unites family across multiple countries and communities.

As visitors experience this exhibition at the Obama Presidential Center, they will encounter a story that began with a vision for unity and has grown into a movement impacting countless lives.



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A story that began in classrooms across Uganda is now being told inside the Obama Presidential Center in Chicago.

I'm thrilled to share that I contributed my story (Uganda Unites story) to Imagine Your Impact, a new interactive experience at the Obama Presidential Center. This experience highlights changemakers from around the world, whose work not only demonstrates what community leadership looks like in action, but inspires the next generation to step up and do the same. Getting to share my journey with The Obama Foundation is something I don't take lightly. I hope you will come and experience this rotating series of remarkable stories at the Obama Presidential Center when it opens to the public on June 19.

Looking Ahead

This moment is a celebration of how far the journey has come, and a reminder of how much more is possible when communities invest in young people and believe in the power of leadership.

We are excited to see the impact this recognition will have as Global Unites continues its mission of empowering communities, strengthening social cohesion, and developing the next generation of leaders.

Together, we are proving that local leadership can inspire global change.

Congratulations, Amos Kiyingi.
The entire Global Unites family celebrates with you.





GLOBAL UNITES SOUTH AISA

Community Health & Well-being

As part of its ongoing commitment to promoting community health and well-being, Global Unites South Asia successfully organized a medical camp for children under the age of 18. The initiative was made possible through the generous support of five volunteer doctors from Alabaster International, who dedicated their time and expertise to providing essential healthcare services to children in the community.

The medical camp benefited more than 150 children, who received comprehensive health assessments, including body temperature checks, Body Mass Index (BMI) measurements, chest examinations, breathing assessments, and consultations to address individual health concerns. The program also provided parents with valuable medical guidance and recommendations to support their children's overall health and development.

This initiative reflects Ape Kadalla's continued dedication to improving access to quality healthcare and ensuring that every child has the opportunity to grow up healthy and thrive. The success of the medical camp was made possible through the collective efforts of the volunteer medical team, community volunteers, parents, and children, demonstrating the power of collaboration in building healthier, stronger communities.

Through initiatives such as this, Ape Kadalla continues to create meaningful impact by investing in the health and well-being of the next generation, reinforcing the belief that healthy children are the foundation of a brighter and more resilient future.



GLOBAL UNITES MASTER TRAINERS ACADEMY



Global Unites Master Trainers Academy – Recognizing Excellence in Non-Violence

As part of the Global Unites Master Trainers Academy (GUMTA), June marked the recognition of outstanding participants who excelled in the Non-Violence Module, one of the academy's four core leadership modules. The Top 10 and Close-to-Top 10 students were recognized for their exceptional commitment, academic excellence, and dedication to advancing the principles of peace and non-violence.

The Non-Violence Module equips emerging leaders with the knowledge and practical skills needed to understand the root causes of conflict, promote peaceful dialogue, and apply non-violent approaches to addressing challenges within their communities. Through interactive learning, critical reflection, and practical assignments, participants strengthened their capacity to become effective peacebuilders and advocates for positive social change.

This recognition celebrates more than academic achievement—it acknowledges a new generation of leaders who are embracing the values of empathy, respect, dialogue, and peaceful coexistence. As these graduates continue to serve in their respective countries, they carry forward Global Unites' vision of building resilient communities where conflicts are transformed through understanding rather than violence.

Their achievements stand as a testament to the growing impact of the Global Unites Master Trainers Academy in nurturing youth leaders who are committed to creating a more peaceful, inclusive, and united world.





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January was only the beginning.

The foundation laid this month sets the tone for expanded impact throughout 2026.

We look forward to continuing this journey with you.





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