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### **FXB Awarded \$3.3 million grant from US Government**

The US Government announced today that it is awarding FXB a \$3.3 million grant through the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). The funds will go specifically towards FXB's work with orphans and vulnerable children in Rwanda and Uganda.

With the grant, FXB will be able to expand tremendously its signature program, the FXB-Villages. Through the Village program, FXB works to improve the health, education, and economic opportunity of children and families hit hardest by poverty and AIDS.

Thanks to PEPFAR, FXB will be able to launch 12 FXB-Villages in Rwanda and 8 FXB-Villages in Uganda in 2009, reaching approximately 100,000 individuals with lifesaving care and support.

PEPFAR is a multi-billion dollar initiative launched by President Bush in 2003 to combat AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria around the world. According to PEPFAR, nearly 9.7 million people affected by HIV/AIDS in PEPFAR's 15 focus countries had received compassionate care since 2003, including nearly 4 million orphans and vulnerable children.

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