

Become an **advocate**

what is an **advocate?**

An advocate is someone who speaks up for someone else... who tells their story in order to help them. Being an advocate can be as simple as writing a post on Facebook about VisionTrust orphans or telling a friend about the child you sponsor and asking if they want to sponsor too. Advocates are people who draw attention to God's heart for oppressed children and ask others to get involved.



how can you **advocate?**



Its easier than you think. You don't have to stand on a stage and give a speech. Nor do you have to quit your job and spend 40 hours a week preparing for it. Don't think of advocacy as a huge homework assignment, but rather, think of it as simply finding a way to care for children as a part of your regular, everyday life.

- Use social media to create awareness for orphaned and neglected children.
- Share child sponsorship with your small group at church, your co-worker or other group of friends.
- Think of a creative way to use a hobby to promote awareness.
- Host an advocacy event.

where can you **advocate?**

You can be an advocate wherever you live your life. Where do you spend a lot of your time? Where do you enjoy yourself? Where do you have a lot of friends? Some answers to these questions might lead you to advocate at your workplace, in your church, at your school or at a social club you are involved with.

so now what?



Go do it!

Here's a simple and easy way to start...

- 1 Email advocacy@visiontrust.org to get a child sponsorship packet.
- 2 Share the child's photo and story with a few of your friends. (Your co-workers, neighbors or your small group at church.)
- 3 Ask them to consider sponsoring that child. If you sponsor a child tell them about your experience.

Looking for other ways to advocate?

www.visiontrust.org/advocacy

Real Stories

"This August I will endeavor to run 100 miles in less than 30 hours. This is my feeble attempt to experience hunger, thirst, exhaustion and depletion and to receive aid, comfort and encouragement; and marvel at the rejuvenation that caring and concerned people can bring. I will experience all of this in a matter of hours. Our less fortunate brothers and sisters experience it for years, perhaps decades. I am asking my friends and family to sponsor me to help give medical care to children in need."

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share your
story

Email Us to share your story or sign up for the advocacy newsletter!

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