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## What is Birth Registration and Why does it Matter?

Birth registration is the process of recording a child's birth. It is a permanent and official record of a child's existence, and provides legal recognition of that child's identity.

Without legal proof of identity, children are left uncounted and invisible.

Unregistered children are missing out on their rights being protected and upheld, as well as essential services like healthcare and education.

The births of around one quarter of children under the age of 5 worldwide have never been recorded in 2020.



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What is the Fee for  
Birth Certificate  
Registration?

The fee to register a child's birth varies between countries. We have gathered some examples for reference.

UK: 11 GBP = 14.1 USD

Kenya: 180 KSH = 1.56 USD

Ireland: 20 EUR = 21.97 USD

California, USA: 29 USD

Ghana: 50 GHC = 6.67 USD

Spain: 27 EUR = 29 USD



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Where Does that  
Money Go?

In general, the fee for birth certificates goes to the government's vault, taken care by the ministry of health then of finances. In less developed countries, this money is oftentimes stolen and not put to efficient use.



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## Our Mission

- Encourage transparency from the government
- Raise awareness about the importance of birth registration
- Encourage governments to make birth registration free of charge
- While the latter takes time, encourage countries to pass a law stating that one dollar worth of the registration fee has to be donated in order to plant a tree



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## How Much does it cost to Plant a Tree?

Trees give us oxygen, store carbon, stabilise the soil and give life to the world's wildlife.

And they only cost a dollar.

- \$0.50-0.80 for one tree sapling to be grown at a nursery
  - \$0.20-0.30 per tree to be planted
  - \$0.08-0.20 per tree average with transport costs, material costs
- \$0.10-0.22 ongoing maintenance of trees
  - 0.12-0.15 operating costs



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