

“FOR THOSE WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN  
RULED BY INJUSTICE AND HATRED,  
THE HOTEL RWANDA RUSESABAGINA FOUNDATION  
BRINGS A MESSAGE OF  
**PEACE AND HOPE**  
FOR A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.”

- PAUL RUSESABAGINA



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# HOTEL RWANDA

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### About the Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation

The Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation was established in 2005 by Paul Rusesabagina, the real-life hero of the acclaimed film Hotel Rwanda starring Don Cheadle. Rusesabagina's bravery as Manager of the Hotel des Mille Collines in Kigali helped save the lives of 1,268 people during the Rwandan genocide and earned him the highest civilian award in the United States, the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Following the genocide, Rusesabagina began speaking out about his experiences and the need to combat the seeds of conflict in other African nations. What started as a personal mission to share the lessons of Rwanda became an international movement to educate the people of the world about the steps necessary to avoid future genocides, war crimes and crimes against humanity. The Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation has also provided educational assistance for the helpless victims of genocide, civil war and HIV/AIDS in Africa.

### "Giving Voice to those Silenced by Genocide and Empowering Survivors to Transcend Its Effects"

Building on the lessons learned from the Rwandan genocide, the Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation promotes an understanding of the dangerous conditions which lead to misunderstanding, hatred, and violence—the seeds of future genocides. The Foundation hosts compelling forums and meetings throughout the world focusing on issues of conflict resolution. It raises public awareness of issues such as the exploitation of conflict minerals, and their role in fueling Africa's wars. The Foundation advances the idea that it is through truth, justice and reconciliation that we give voice to the powerless, including victims of genocide and warfare, so that they can finally be heard.

### Take Action

For more information and to donate to the Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation, please visit [www.HRRFoundation.org](http://www.HRRFoundation.org).

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*Paul Rusesabagina and actor Don Cheadle*

### Education on the need for a Truth and Reconciliation Commission for the Great Lakes Region of Africa

The Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation is engaged in a campaign to educate the world about the need for an internationally sanctioned Truth and Reconciliation Commission for the Great Lakes Region of Africa, which includes Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

This Commission is necessary because the political and military conflicts that preceded the genocide continue to this day in the Great Lakes Region of Africa. This means that justice has not been done for victims or survivors. It also means that related ethnic violence is continuing in nations such as the Congo, where 5 million have now died.

Former South African President Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Desmond Tutu led a Truth and Reconciliation Commission in their country to help heal the wounds of the violent apartheid era. Likewise, Rwanda and her neighbors need a Truth and Reconciliation Commission to bring closure to ongoing conflicts in the region and bring justice to survivors and victims of genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity.

By hosting forums and town hall meetings around the world to raise awareness about the necessity of a Truth and Reconciliation Commission, the Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation confronts the region's plight, both past and present, in order to avoid another tragedy. With your continued support, we can heal the wounds of yesterday and plant the seeds of peace for tomorrow.