

Earlier this year we opened a new school in Filangur. For more than 700 students, this new school provides brand new classrooms, latrines, books, science kits, sports gear, desks and supplies.

The community's passion for learning is growing with new enrollments up 40% since our partnership began. However, a major barrier to education still exists in Filangur.

The closest water source is located 5-9km away and this source of water is unprotected and contaminated, the community has no access to clean water.

Clean water is fundamental to the health and wellbeing of the community as well as the education path of Filangur's students. For many Ethiopian families, it is the responsibility of the daughter to fetch water for their family. Many girls are denied the chance to attend school as their days are spent travelling to and from remote water sources.

We want to provide clean, fresh water to the students and families of Filangur.



WHAT A HOLISTIC WATER PROJECT COSTS





Two months ago, students at Filangur Primary School studied in decrepit classrooms made of sticks and mud. They endured long lessons perched on the dirty ground, and lacked basic equipment, like books, sports gear and even latrines.

Today, that has all changed. We've opened a brand new school for the students at Filangur in honor of Irma Lyons, a visionary and compassionate educator who positively touched the lives of countless children and their families in New York, Los Angeles and Santa Monica.

New classrooms, latrines and a playground are giving children a comfortable and enjoyable space to learn in. New books, science equipment and sports gear are making education engaging and more effective.

Already, enrollment rates are up significantly and drop-out rates are down.

None of this would have been possible without the collective of friends, family and strangers, led by imagine1day USA Foundation board member Mary Anna Noveck, who rallied supporters for this incredible cause.

In April, Mary Anna traveled to Filangur to open

the new school. During her time with the community it was evident to her that the thirst for learning will only grow stronger with the addition of a clean water source in the community. Join Mary Anna and the imagine1day USA Foudation in making this a reality.

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