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EDUCATION
FOR ALL CHILDREN



Why help educate a child you've never met ...

halfway around the world?

The problem in view

"Africa is the world's most important priority for the foreseeable future. What happens to the large number of young people there will be the single biggest determinant of whether ... life on this planet keeps getting better." **- Bill Gates**



The lack of access to education may be putting our global society at risk

In 2050, 86% of the world's poor will live in sub-Saharan Africa, 67% of those will be under the age of 25. There is already an enormous talent and gender gap in Kenya - only 11% of poor kids finish high school. Uneducated girls are at high risk for early marriage, motherhood, and poverty

1 EFAC provides a path out of poverty for Kenyan youth

In Kenya, where free education ends after the 8th grade, only 50% of primary school graduates will continue on to high school, due to economic and social barriers. EFAC addresses this by providing an education-to-employment program for bright, disadvantaged Kenyan youth to foster leadership, economic opportunity and social progress.

EFAC scholars hail from all corners of Kenya, and are selected based on academic merit, financial need, and leadership potential. We maintain a gender ratio of ⅔ girls to ⅓ boys. Since 2008, we have educated over 650 talented young Kenyans.



- EFAC is a local program, developed and managed by Kenyan staff from our Nairobi office.
- EFAC leverages Kenya's strong school system; we do not own or manage our own schools.



- EFAC maintains deep relationships with NGOs and local schools who help us identify talented, deserving kids.
- EFAC scholars receive full tuition and living expenses from high school through college.



- EFAC students develop lasting close relationships with other EFAC students, both in their schools and across Kenya.
- Relationships are built through our mentoring program, training sessions, and annual residential skills workshops.

2 EFAC is more than education - we support the whole child!

EFAC students, often the first in their families to pursue higher education, need more than scholarships to overcome poverty. We provide a series of interventions to close the gap between academic learning and employable skills. Along with hosting our Bridge Workshops, we layer in opportunities like on-line courses and corporate training programs. Our Career Development Manager and Resource Center in Nairobi provide EFAC scholars with career coaching and a space to network, job shadow, and be mentored by professionals.



CAREER PREPARATION

Active Business Advisory Board guides scholars towards growing careers

CONTINUOUS MENTORING

Students are mentored by older EFAC students, teachers and professionals throughout their time





SIGNATURE WORKSHOPS

EFAC holds 4 annual workshops to build students' personal and professional skills

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Students may receive supplementary training if necessary



3 EFAC works!



Naira was once a 13-year old wife and mother. Today, she is sending her two sons to school and supporting her mother. Despite being promised into an early marriage, Naira showed enough academic potential that her father allowed her to accept an EFAC scholarship. Thus began her path from a polygamous Maasai household to becoming the first (and only) female lawyer in her home community. She is an advocate for young women subject to harmful cultural practices such as early marriage and FGM. Naira sums up her experience in EFAC this way: "EFAC has given me the power through education to change my life and that of others. Thank you for believing that I can do it."

4 Change a life - sponsor a student!

Sponsor a student as an individual or a group



Build a lasting relationship through letters





Receive a student bio and photo



4-year commitment in monthly or annual payments

Education Creates Hope. Hope Creates Change.

5 Get involved with EFAC today!



- To sponsor a student or learn more, visit our sponsor webpage.
- To make a general donation, visit our donation page.
- Questions? E-mail Kayla Lawson, Sponsor Program Manager.