



2011 inABLE Programs

Programs and Call To Action

About 314 million people are visually impaired worldwide; 45 million of them are blind

Computer Program

- ❑ Computer Lab Infrastructure
 - Structural Renovation
 - Computers and Accessories for Blind and VIP
 - Computer Desks and Chairs
- ❑ Computer Training & Development
 - Computer Instruction
 - ❑ Basic
 - ❑ Intermediate
 - ❑ Advanced
 - Curriculum Development



- ❑ \$50 pays for a students Computer Training for a year
- ❑ \$100 buys educational software for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- ❑ \$500 will buy a computer with accessories for Blind And Visually Impaired

About 87% of the worlds visually impaired live in developing countries

Our Reading Spaces

- Kairi Library
 - Library structure
 - Books
 - Furnishings
 - Library Services
 - Computers

- Thika Library for the Blind
 - Furnishings
 - Repairs and Renovation
 - Library Services
 - Computers



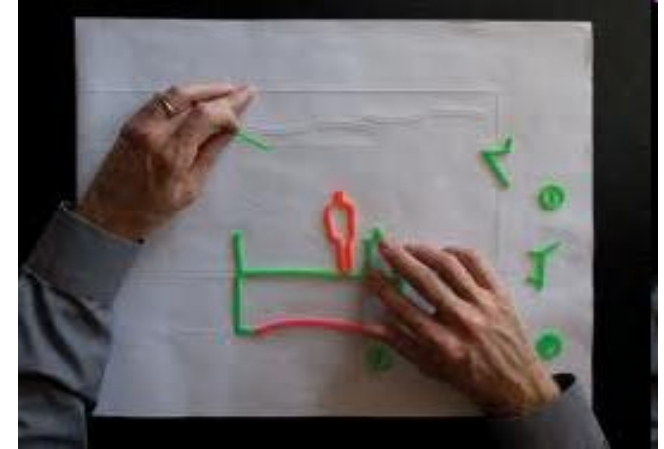
- \$5 will buy a Library Book
- \$15 will buy a Braille Book
- \$50 will help furnish Library
- \$100 will Repair and Renovate

Less than 10% of Kenya's blind children are receiving any education

Low Tech Tools and Mobility

- ❑ Low Tech Tools
 - Computer Aid for Mathematics
 - Wikki Stix
 - Embossed Sheets
 - Rubber Bands

- ❑ Mobility
 - Walking Sticks
 - White Canes



- ❑ \$10 pays for a pack of embossed sheets
- ❑ \$15 pays for a Wikki Stix toolkit
- ❑ \$20 pays for a white cane
- ❑ \$100 will buy a tool kit with computer aid for mathematics, push pins, and rubber bands

**Approximately 240,000 Kenyans are blind
750,000 suffer significant visual loss**

Advocacy And Employment



- ❑ Join inABLE in advocating for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- ❑ Sign a petition asking the government to subsidize training
- ❑ Ask companies to ensure their websites are compliant



- ❑ Computer Certified Blind and Visually Impaired Persons
 - Special technology skills
 - Call Center capabilities
- ❑ Remember us when making hiring decisions
 - Opportunity to practice Corporate Social Responsibility

**We cannot change the number of VIP
We CAN affect the outcome – employment**

Research & Development

- ❑ Partnership with *Georgia Institute of Technology*, Atlanta, GA
- ❑ Measure the impact of select assistive technologies in the following key areas:
 - Academic Achievement
 - Technical Skills
 - Psycho-social Skills
 - Cognitive Ability



- ❑ Come back for updates . . .

Child blindness remains a significant problem globally