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 student's 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 world's 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
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

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Child blindness remains a significant problem globally