

IDJWI ISLAND EDUCATION FUND

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Annual Report

FY: 2015

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YEAR IN REVIEW

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SUMMARY OF THIS YEAR'S PROGRESS

The Idjwi Island Education Fund had our best year yet in 2015. Through the generous support of foundations, corporations, and more than fifty individual donors, we raised more than \$27,500 to support the students at the Buhumba Primary School. These successful fundraising efforts have placed us in a position to prepare to complete construction of the classroom building in the summer of 2016. Our plans involve more than simply building a new school. In addition to the construction planning, in 2015 we:

- Hosted the first ever summer camp at the school, with arts, crafts, and games for the kids.
- Brought a global health pediatrician to the school to conduct a preliminary health assessment and provide treatment to the kids.
- Provided ongoing support for the school community through the Bustani sustainable garden project, scholarships, and teacher retention bonuses.

Our small, all-volunteer organization has big plans to help the Buhumba community with the tools that they need to provide a quality education to their kids.



PREPARING FOR CONSTRUCTION

During 2015, we took several critical steps that will allow us to complete construction of the classroom building during the summer of 2016. We hired an architect based in Goma to prepare specifications for the classroom building, administrative building, and latrines. We agreed to a final budget with our contractor, who has successfully delivered projects on Idjwi Island on time and on budget. Finally, with our successful fundraising, we entered 2016 with a substantial amount of the funds that we need to complete construction. We are designing a fundraising campaign to raise the additional funds required for construction.

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THE DOCTOR VISITS

We brought a doctor to Idjwi to meet the kids! This was a really big deal, because most of the kids in Buhumba Village have never seen a doctor, and their health is generally poor. Many kids have repeated cases of malaria, intestinal worms or other conditions that make them feel sick and impair their learning. As we are trying to improve all aspects of the children's education, we were delighted that we could bring Dr. Annie Sparrow, a pediatrician and global health specialist, to see the kids. Dr. Sparrow performed some basic tests to evaluate their general health and identify cases of neglected tropical diseases. She also provided treatment to some of the kids.



Numerous studies have shown that public health and nutrition are critical components of primary education and for the retention of students. The Fund is currently working with public health professionals to design and implement a program to provide much-needed primary and preventive health care for the children of Buhumba Village. Dr. Sparrow's initial visit was a very important first step.

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COLONIE DE VACANCES

In August, we traveled to Idjwi Island armed with art supplies, colorful t-shirts, and special snacks and hosted more than 100 students to our first ever "Colonie de Vacances" (summer camp) at EP Buhumba (our primary school). We were greeted with a fantastic welcome ceremony from the entire community. Together with the school teachers, our group from the US and Goma led the students in art projects and other fun activities.



ONGOING SUPPORT FOR THE EXISTING SCHOOL AND PROGRAMS

The Fund supported the existing school and programs during 2015. We continued to sponsor a trained agronomist for the Bustani sustainable garden project, which provides the students with regular instruction in soil preparation, crop rotation, and other sustainable gardening techniques at the on-site garden. We provided scholarships to a small group of students to reward their excellent performance and support their continued education. We also provided support for the teachers and staff with retention bonuses during the summer months.

David Folds

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FINANCIAL REPORT

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The Fund had its most successful year of fundraising to date in 2015. We received a total of more than \$27,500 in donations from individuals, foundations, and corporations. The Fund is very grateful to its corporate and foundation donors. During 2015, we received donations or grants from Barston's Child's Play, Microsoft's Give for Youth Campaign, Exelon, AmazonSmile, the National Philanthropic Trust, and the Ayco Charitable Foundation.

We are looking forward to another great year with a lot of exciting progress coming up. We hope you'll continue to travel with us on our journey.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Idjwi Island Education Fund (Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2015)

Beginning Balance:	\$15,105.00
Income:	\$ 27,646.00
Total Expenditures:	(\$3,519.00)
Ending Balance:	\$39,232.00

FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

DESCRIPTION	REVENUE	EXPENSES
Donations Received	\$27,636.00	
Interest Income	\$10.00	
Taxes, Administrative		\$47.00
Operations (Bustani garden project, tuition assistance, teacher support)		\$1700.00
Fundraising (Web site, marketing, printing, events)		\$1472.00
Construction (architect)		\$300.00
TOTAL	\$27,646.00	\$3,519.00

DONOR BREAKDOWN

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| • Individual Donations | \$18,118.00 |
| • Matching Funds (Global Giving/Give for Youth) | \$6,192.00 |
| • Corporate and Foundation Gifts | \$3,326.00 |

CONTACT US

CONTACT INFORMATION

We value all of your contributions and have frequently benefited from new contacts and suggestions from each of you. The Fund is always looking for ways to expand our potential success. If you have comments or suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact us at one of the following addresses.

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