

*YEAR IN REVIEW BI-ANNUAL MAGAZINE*

# DORCAS DESTINY INTERNATIONAL

*HELPING CHILDREN AND WOMEN IN KENYA EAST AFRICA*

## Supporting Schools

We have two schools in the city of Nairobi and one school in a rural village. We sponsor the orphans, provide supplies, assist with salaries, building infrastructure and much more!

## Providing Opportunities

Micro-enterprises is a key goal for us to help them get long lasting independence. We have started with education & technology training, botanical and sewing enterprises..

## Building Futures

The goal is to bridge the gap in education, technology, and available careers. Giving the children more options for the future as well as their families and communities to thrive.





In 2016 the opportunity presented itself at a conference in Toronto after meeting George from Kenya. He explained what the goal is in the village he is from in building a school and opportunities for the children. Donna believed in his goal and created Dorcas Destiny International. She went on her first visit in 2017 and every year since. The visits have helped gain a better understanding of the needs for more opportunities and infrastructure is built.

In 2017 there was no electricity or running water at Kings Academy. Giving inspiration to one of the first programs The Awendo Water Project to provide fresh water to the students. Every year/visit we create new programs based on the needs. Here in 2021 we have not only electricity but also running water, WIFI, plus more programs to become self-sufficient with micro enterprises..

## BRIEF HISTORY OF DORCAS DESTINY INTERNATIONAL

## ABOUT US

*HELPING CHILDREN AND WOMEN IN KENYA EAST AFRICA*

Dorcas Destiny International is driven by a single goal; to do our part in making the world a better place by impacting each individual we touch. We strive to build productive relationships with supporters, donors, and communities to make a positive impact.

We will achieve much with our initiatives through the support of those who give and those who will go! Our vision includes providing access to tangible resources that

will help improve the lives of children and women in Kenya, East Africa.

We are so happy you're interested in getting involved with our work here at Dorcas Destiny International. There are so many ways for you to help, and we truly appreciate each and every effort. By lending your support, you'll become a valuable part of our Nonprofit Organization and help to strengthen our operations.

*Helping to Create  
Unforgettable Experiences.*



## KINGS ACADEMY / OPOYA VILLAGE IN AWENDO

*A community of life long learners, responsible global citizens  
and champion of our own success*

**K**ing's Academy is a school located in Rabondo Sub Location, West Sakwa Location, Awendo Sub County of Migori County, Kenya, Africa.

It is situated in the heart of a village where getting routine government services like roads, water, electricity, public transportation, and medical care are a dream.

The school has over 500 (co-ed) students. Over 90% of the students are orphans, with the remainder being poor children of peasant farming families.

When we began in 2017 the school had 300 (co-ed) students grade levels included Baby Class, Pre-Unit, Nursery, and USA Grades 1-8.

Electricity was installed in 2018 along with the completion of more classrooms. On the

visit in Jan 2019 was when the first tablets were taken alongside school supplies. The Awendo Water project, teacher development and a creative art initiative were created.

August 2019 we were able to get the teachers more education materials, sports equipment and devices. The sewing micro-enterprise, building a high school and community micro-enterprises were created. January 2020 we continued the programs we could and provided support during COVID-19.

In 2021 the high school will be finished. Connecting the Digital Divide, Orphan Sponsorship Program developed more, Botanical micro-enterprise





Victory school is the second school we support in a similar way as we do the other school. Victory School is located in the eastern slums of Baba Doga, Nairobi, Kenya.

The school has about 55 (co-ed) students, most children have low income parents or are orphans that live on the grounds.

2021 goal is to buy a building for the school to house the orphans and have enough classrooms for the different grades.

### *Victory School in the Slums of Baba Doga, Kenya*

*“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of Wisdom”*

The overall goal is to help them achieve as we are in the village with Kings Academy. The main difference is the locations and availability to supplies and education.

Due to the children being in the slums it is hard for the parents to earn a living wage to pay for the school fees, proper uniforms a, school supplies and not to mention the food scarcity issue.

The micro-enterprise victory school will be doing is part of the sewing enterprise first with hand sewing, embroidery and bead work until there is a building with more space to add more other programs and machine sewing.

The support we provide is in a monthly amount to help feed the children during school as well as the orphans on the grounds. School supplies, toothbrushes, clothing, sponsoring the children and assisting with the school fees to pay teachers.









## EDUCATION & CONNECTING THE DIVIDE (TES) PROGRAMS

*We want equal opportunities for all that are willing to learn*

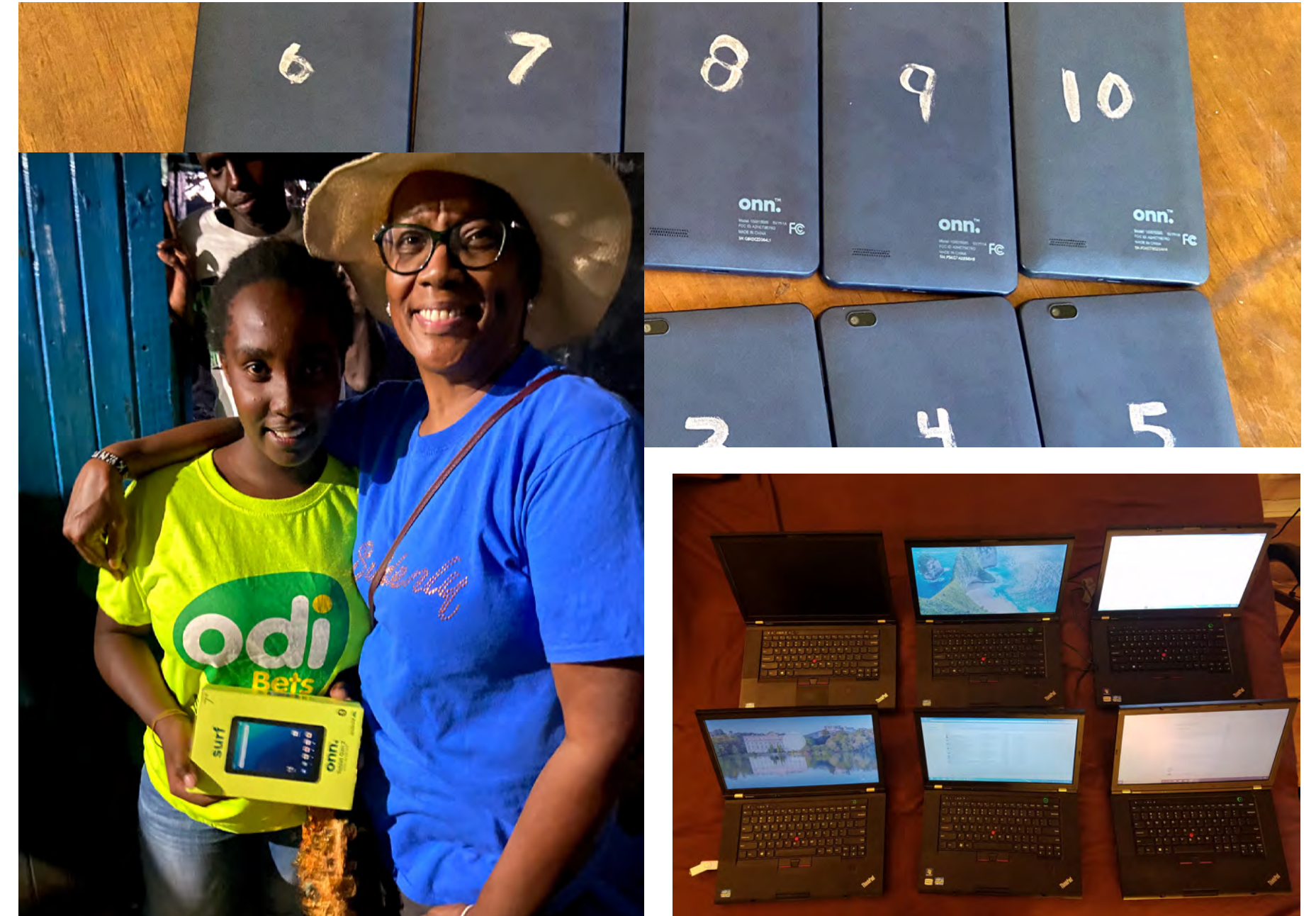
The teachers have extremely large classroom sizes, the first thing we are teaching them is about classroom management. We speak with the teachers about what they would like to help enhance their classes. We have taken items to decorate the classrooms, laptops and tablets to assist in making lessons, books for different grades and subjects and other classroom supplies.

With the recent WIFI installation, we are able to provide more resources on the web and with professionals via video chats.

Connecting the divide is our School Technology, Equipment & Supplies (TES) TES, enables students to learn in a functional environment that includes basic learning necessities such as desks, chairs, and classroom supplies.

Currently, students and teachers do not have adequate desk space and basic school supplies. Transition Moreover, by closing the large digital divide in this community, students can acquire limitless knowledge and information that is only accessible through the internet.

*Technology is the success future*







## SCHOOL SUPPLIES, ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP & SHOES THAT GROW

*The ways you can help a child in need are endless*

All of the donated school supplies are given to all the children depending on the grade and the item. Pencils are always needed as well as lined paper, we are able to purchase these items in Kenya saving us the transportation cost. Backpacks are in highly needed, the sewing circles in the village and city will be able to make them here soon once they have learned to use the machine properly.

The children come to school willing to learn however they come hungry, broken shoes,

unkempt uniforms or clothing, etc. For your monthly donation of \$30.00 p/mth to support a child in the Slums of Baba Doga, Nairobi and Village of Awendo, Kenya

Your dollars are very important for this Village child to complete an education and support them to help the village and family.

With Shoes that grow we are able to stay with the child up to 5 sizes! The best thing we are able to get them in Kenya saving us the transportation costs from America.

*Adopt a child on our website today*





## ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP

*Help a child discover care and love*

**Y**ou will receive the name and a picture, should you want it, of the child that your dollars will support this school year as well as progress of the growth and improvements of the school.

The \$30 may not seem like a lot to those of us in the U.S. school system however this will ensure that your child has:

- **Monthly Admission Fee**
- **Uniforms:** Shoes, Socks, Under garments
- **Teacher Salary**
- **Learning Materials**
- **Meals:** Breakfast & Lunch-Food, cook, server, clean up
- **Administration**
- **Enrichment:** Sewing, Art, Music, Languages.





## SHOES THAT GROW

*\$20 = 1 pair of shoes*

Over 1.5 billion people suffer from soil-transmitted diseases worldwide. Without shoes, children are especially vulnerable to soil-transmitted diseases and parasites that can cause illness and even death. Children who get sick miss school, can't help their families, and suffer needlessly.

The Shoe That Grows was designed to be a longer-lasting solution for kids living in poverty. It expands five sizes and lasts for years, providing health, access to education and happiness. A \$20 donation will send one pair of shoes.



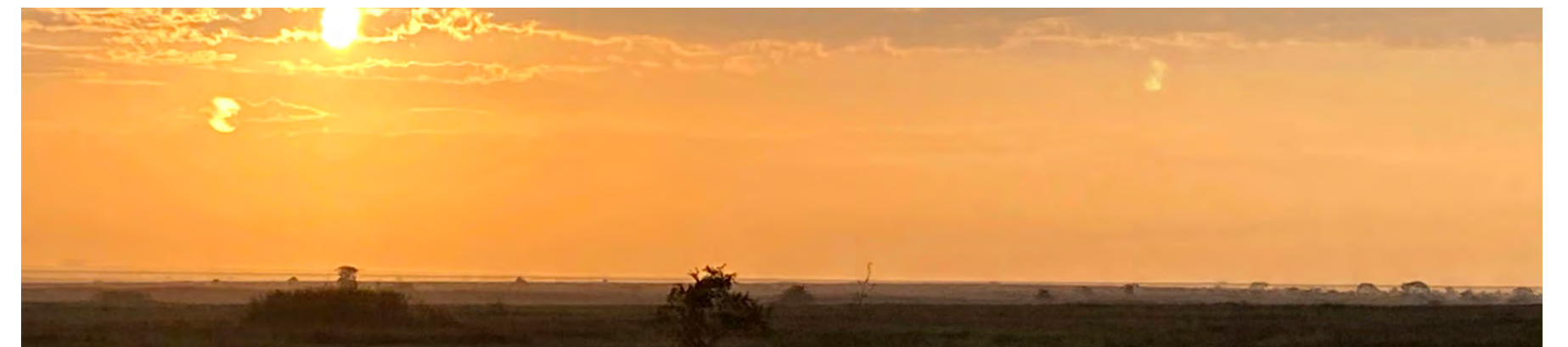
\$20.00

The Shoe That Grows has 5x the impact of an ordinary shoe because it expands 5 sizes and lasts for years.

- Easy to clean. Easy to use.
- Compressed rubber sole.
- Antibacterial synthetic upper.
- High grade Velcro straps.
- No mechanical parts or gears to break.









## BOTANICAL MICRO-ENTERPRISE

*Using the available resources to turn a profit*

The Botanical Micro-Enterprise is a full circle initiative. The children and the adults are able to be involved at different levels to ensure the success of the program for their community and school..

We are working with Kefri Forrest Research Institute of Kenya. A main goal they have is to increase the tree coverage of Kenya to 10% and more. Bamboo is a multifunction plant from its birth to its end it can be used in a variety of ways. There are other fruit and non-evasive tree options as well.

Starting in the village of Opoya, Awendo we have contacted the Kefri Forestry to go out and help determine the best crops and trees for the school and surrounding areas

The children in the 5th grade have planted bamboo and other trees with the responsibility to nourish them until they leave and

pass the torch onto another class. We will have the other classes involved in different programs over time.

Next in the village is to teach the farmers about the different crops Kerfi suggests based on their area. So many of the farmers grow the same things due to the scarcity and reliable transportation to main areas.

The ultimate goal is to provide them with a new resource to gain revenue from having a new product in an area it is not normally available to use for food, building and more!

In the city where Victory school is there is more access to supplies but less to the means to acquire them. We will be providing the children with the supplies to teach them responsibility and new skills sets for revenue..

*Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish, and you feed him for a lifetime. - Matthew 4:19*





## SEWING MICRO-ENTERPRISE

*Taking the thread of ambition into a business*



Sewing can lead to a large variety of careers. The program was started for 2 people that have a vision of seeing the women thrive in making their own income..

They have been being taught by a local seamstress weekly before COVID-19, after which we have halted lessons until it was safe to resume in person. Now that it has resumed the main focus is creating masks and uniforms for the children at Kings Academy. In 2019 a electric machine was bought, for the beginners in 2021 a hand machine will be bought for both schools.

The children will be learning a variety of products to make from purses, bags, clothing, hair accessories to also making shoes, leather sewn items, learning to do bead work on the items as well.

We first plan to teach the adults to teach the older children that would like to learn. Eventually it will be incorporated at a younger age with hand sewing and mending.

Everything we plan to have made will be available for sale to help support the child or family that made it as well as for the school programs and supplies.

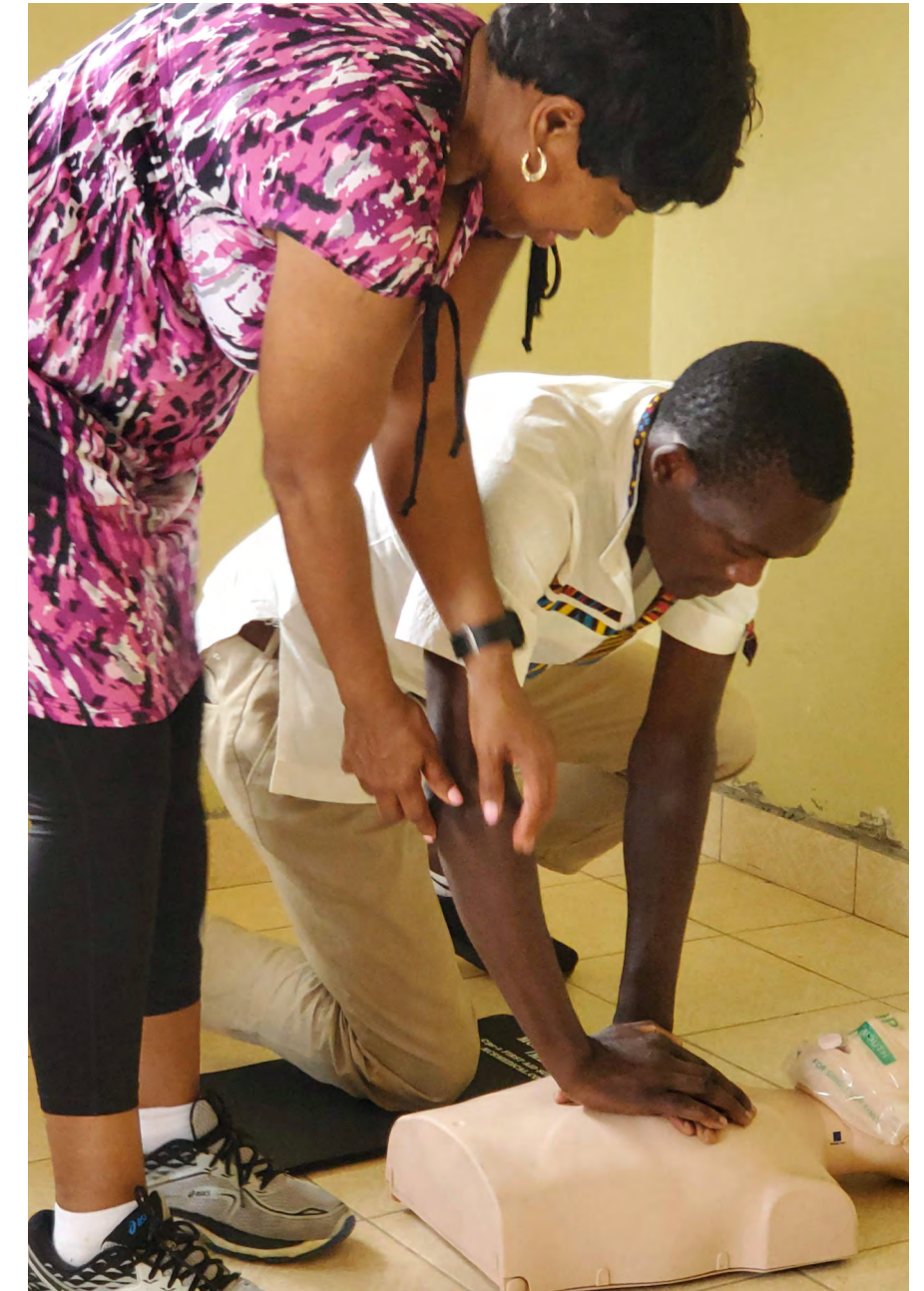




## MEDICAL POP-UP CLINICS

*Join our team, come make a difference*

Pop-Up Health Clinics (PUHC) help to fill a critical need in the Opiyo Awendo community where access to medical care and doctors is scarce. PUHCs provide screenings, treatment of common health conditions including malaria, allergies, diabetes and the like for the people of Opiyo Awendo village who otherwise cannot afford care. (or due to their location and socio-economic situation, basic health-care services are not available). Such as Dental and eye options.





## AWENDO WATER PROGRAM

*Living Water- Living Well*

The Awendo Water Project (AWP) is a fundraising effort to provide clean drinking water to 400 households, representing 3,000 people in the area of Opiyo village, Awendo Migori County that houses the Motivated By Love King's Academy pre-kindergarten through 8th grade school.

The well will provide water to not only the 500+ school children, but also their teachers,

parents, and the people in the nearby area

We sought to raise \$20,000 by August 1, 2019 to dig a well, but only raised \$4,000. The good news is that we were able to get basic water access to the children at the school!

We will continue our initiative to provide a comprehensive clean water portal that will have separate spigots for drinking, washing, and more. We still need you!

*Everyone deserves clean water*



## BUILDING THE FUTURE,

*For the children in Kenya*

Our mission is simple. To help educate the younger generations to make a difference for their families futures and the communities.

We are working on building a inviting learning environment, knowledge and supplies for students and teachers, and learning to be self sufficient.

As we continue the programs we will be helping shape a young persons life for the future. They will be encouraged through education and skill learning.





## JOIN OUR MISSION!

*For the children in Kenya*

Help make a difference in a child's life and yours! Everyone has something to contribute whether it is time to go on a trip time to work on a fundraiser or using your personal or professional skills. You can also volunteer to support in various ways financially. We are always looking for new board member and team members.

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