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## Global Education Fund

### OUR MISSION:

Global Education Fund improves the lives of orphans and vulnerable children around the world through education.

### WE SERVE:

Global Education Fund serves the neediest children in the world, including orphans and other vulnerable children, because they have few educational opportunities and education is one of the keys to breaking the cycle of poverty and giving them a better life. In 2010, there will be more than 140 million orphans worldwide; in some regions of Sub-Saharan Africa 40 percent of all children are orphaned.

Global Education Fund has served more than 18,000 orphans and vulnerable children throughout Latin America, Asia and Africa. To date, Global Education Fund has established 61 libraries in 21 countries, shipped \$1.7 million in books and services and enabled deserving orphans to successfully complete high school.

### BRIEF HISTORY:

Founded in 1998 by anthropologist Eliza Woloson, Global Education Fund believes in listening to educational needs on the ground and developing individualized strategies with partners, rather than dictating a one-size fits all approach.

As a result, Global Education Fund offers a broad range of educational services to our partners such as establishing libraries in orphanages, sending interns to teach reading to communities with high illiteracy rates, implementing formalized storytelling and reading groups, organizing teacher training workshops in informal schools and awarding high school scholarships to orphans.

Global Education Fund has ongoing programs in the Boulder area to educate people about the needs of orphans as well as raise funds. One example is the School Partnership Program. More than 10 area schools and businesses have volunteered to host the IZZE/Global Education Fund book trailer in an effort to collect books and raise money for Global Education Fund's efforts. It's a great opportunity for kids to learn about another culture as well as give to those in need. All types of books in good condition are welcome. Visit [www.globaleducationfund.org](http://www.globaleducationfund.org) to see where the IZZE/Global Education Fund book trailer is and donate your gently used books today!

### PROUDEST ACCOMPLISH-



Photo courtesy of Global Education Fund

This photo is from a recent trip to Kenya by the Global Education Fund.

### MENT:

Our proudest accomplishment continues to be seeing the look of joy on a child's face when he/she is handed a book of their very own.

### GREATEST NEED:

Global Education Fund is making a long-term commitment to Sub-Saharan Africa. In Kenya, the number of orphans is equivalent to double the number of children in Colorado. The Kenyan government has made strides towards eliminating school fees, but significant barriers continue to keep thousands of orphans out of school.

Our greatest need is funding to expand our high school scholarship program for orphans in Kenya. High school tuition costs \$500 a year; out of reach for most Kenyans, where the average income is less than \$2 a day. Global Education Fund is working to raise money to provide scholarships for students to attend high school and improve their lives.

### FUTURE PLANS:

Global Education Fund continues to making a difference in the lives of children around the world. In 2008,

we will celebrate our tenth anniversary and begin a long-term commitment to Sub-Saharan Africa. The number of orphans in Sub-Saharan Africa is equivalent to 70 percent of all the children in the United States. In many regions hard hit by AIDS, upwards of 40 percent of all children are orphaned. Educating these orphans represents a great challenge for Global Education Fund, but also the key to breaking the cycle of poverty in Sub-Saharan Africa.

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you are interested in learning more, making a donation or volunteering with Global Education Fund, please visit [www.globaleducationfund.org](http://www.globaleducationfund.org). Global Education Fund is located at 1105 Spruce St., Boulder, CO 80302.

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