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Kenya Education Endowment Fund Update – November 2017

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Tuesday, November 28 is Giving Tuesday

KEEF is a partner with **CanadaHelps** in this global movement. Imagine a day dedicated to giving back... around the world, across Canada and in your own community! **GivingTuesday** is intended as a thoughtful adjunct to an often stressful holiday shopping season.

For more information about Giving Tuesday, please check out the short video at this link: <http://givingtuesday.ca>

To donate directly to KEEF, click [here](#) to go to our web site.



One of our 2017 projects in partnership with GC4C:

Before: The kitchen at Mukangu Primary School in Kakamega had been condemned.



After: With funding from GC4C, a new kitchen and latrines were built.



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A polite reminder to our Sponsors

Secondary Fees are due at the beginning of December. December and January are very busy months in Kenya as students finish exams and prepare for the next school year. We need your donations to ensure we have funds on hand to wire to Kenya in time for the start of the new school year in January. Our annual sponsorship fee for secondary students remains \$600.

*Special thanks to sponsors who
have already sent funds for 2018*

After Graduation – what's next for donors?

Sponsors of secondary students who are able to continue their support have two options when a student graduates:

- Sponsor a new Form 1 student for a further 4 years, or
- Assist a high achieving secondary graduate to enter a post secondary program. Contact us for details on projected costs and your options.



KEEF sold Kenyan crafts at the World Craft Bazaar in Parksville on Nov. 4, 2017, raising over \$600.

Monthly donations?

A regular monthly donation is often a convenient way to contribute, either through post-dated cheques, automatic bank transfers or using the Canada Helps or PayPal buttons on the KEEF web site.

Kakamega Update

Last December, a record number of sponsors came forward and KEEF was able to accept 33 new Form 1 students. Students are now nearly at the end of their 2017 school year. In a couple of weeks all our KEEF secondary students will take part in our annual life skills workshops, a highlight of their year.

Our team in Kakamega this year will include three board members - **Alinda Ware, Dick Glassford and Janice Trenholme**. They will be joined by Janice's sister **Brenda Trenholme** (yes, she cycled from Cairo to Cape Town to raise funds for KEEF! Donations inspired by **Brenda's Ride** are still coming in).

Alinda has been in Kakamega since early October and has been busy coordinating the annual KEEF Workshops.

Many KEEF graduates and other local supporters will lead workshops again this year. And of course we give special recognition to our Office Manager, **Sarah Nabongo**, who does just about everything!

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Many options for donating

Our web site has several options for donating, and all donations will be tax receipted. Note that **100% of ALL donations to sponsor students go directly to students in Kenya**. Our operational costs - which are low because we are all volunteers - are raised separately through craft sales or other special fund raising events. Also, many donors contribute to our KEEF Operations and Student Support Fund. Some sponsors add a small increment of 5 to 10 per cent to their sponsorships. Your generosity helps us cover essential expenses. *[More details are on our web site]*

KEEF's 2017 Virtual Concert

Our major annual fund raising event is now underway – our direct appeal to donate to KEEF and to enjoy a “Virtual Concert” – music of your own choosing, at a time that best suits you. Here are some of the links this year.

[More links to performances are on our web site]:

- **Enrique Conde:** [Jambo Bwana](#)
- **Ladysmith Black Mambazo:** [The Lion Sleeps Tonight](#)
- **Soweto Gospel Choir:** [Hallelujah](#) (by Leonard Cohen)

Thinking long term? KEEF has two Endowment Funds:

- **The Marie MacKay Endowment Fund**, which awards bursaries and scholarships to secondary students.
- **The Alinda Ware Post Secondary Bursary Fund**, which awards bursaries to post secondary students.

Both funds are managed by the Vancouver Foundation.

Donations will remain in the funds and earnings will provide scholarships and bursaries. We already sponsor two secondary students from the Marie MacKay Fund, and more students will be added next year and for many years into the future. *[More details are on our web site]*

Gift Donations

Make a donation in someone's name and we will send them a gift card

Interested in volunteering as an agent for KEEF and visiting one of the most beautiful and diverse countries in Africa? Give us a call for more information.

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