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Kenya Education Endowment Fund

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Tuesday, December 1st is *GivingTuesday*

KEEF is a partner with **CanadaHelps** as part of 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 or to donate through GivingTuesday, follow this link:

<http://givingtuesday.ca>



GC4C project in partnership with KEEF:

Above: Volunteer KEEF agent Alinda Ware with plumber, checking plans for Koyonzo School water project

Below: Koyonzo School boys dig trenches for GC4C water project.



A polite reminder to our Sponsors

Secondary Fees are now due. December and January are very busy months in Kenya as students finish exams and prepare for the next school year. We need your donations **as soon as possible** to ensure we have funds on hand to wire to Kenya in time for the start of the new school year. As we noted last year, due to inflation in Kenya, our annual sponsorship fee for secondary students is now \$600.

After Graduation – what's next for donors?

Donor sponsors who are able to continue their support have two options when a secondary student graduates:

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

Many options for donations. Our web site has several options for donating, and all donations will be tax receipted. Note that **100% of ALL donations in support of students goes directly to students in Kenya.** Our operational costs - which are low because we are all volunteers - are raised separately through craft sales, specific donations or other special fund raising events.

Some of the Kenyan crafts sold in Parksville and Courtenay earlier in November. Over \$700 was raised



Volunteer Beth Gilman with KEEF student Julius, Nov. 2015

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More about Donation Options

- **Sponsorship of a secondary student** for \$600 annually (hopefully for 4 years, through to graduation).
- **Student Support Fund.** Donations as small as even **\$10, \$15 or \$25** are all greatly appreciated and can quickly add up! Together, they can change a child's future.
- **KEEF Endowment Fund.** This new fund is managed by the Vancouver Foundation. We have raised over \$30,000 in less than 3 years, and we plan to grow this fund until sustainable withdrawals can be made to support students many years into the future.
- **Gift cards.** Check our web site for gift cards to recognize donations you can make in someone's name. Send us names and addresses and we will mail cards, or ask us for blank cards.
- **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.

[Click here to DONATE NOW](#)

Kakamega Update

Alinda Ware, long time agent, supporter and board member of KEEF, has been in Kakamega since mid October. Dick Glassford, KEEF President, and his sister Beth Gilman are about to leave Kenya for home after a two week trip to assist with secondary workshops. Dick and his wife Janice will return for a longer stay in January to interview and select new Form 1 students.

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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**It has been a busy year for KEEF –
a full newsletter will be coming out soon.**

As most of you will know, Marie MacKay, one of the founding Directors of KEEF, passed away in July. Our newsletter will include more on Marie's contributions to KEEF and to many others in Kenya.