

2021

ANNUAL REPORT

*Developing
Minds in
Developing
Countries*



We provide direct financial assistance and guidance to college students seeking to make a difference in their communities.



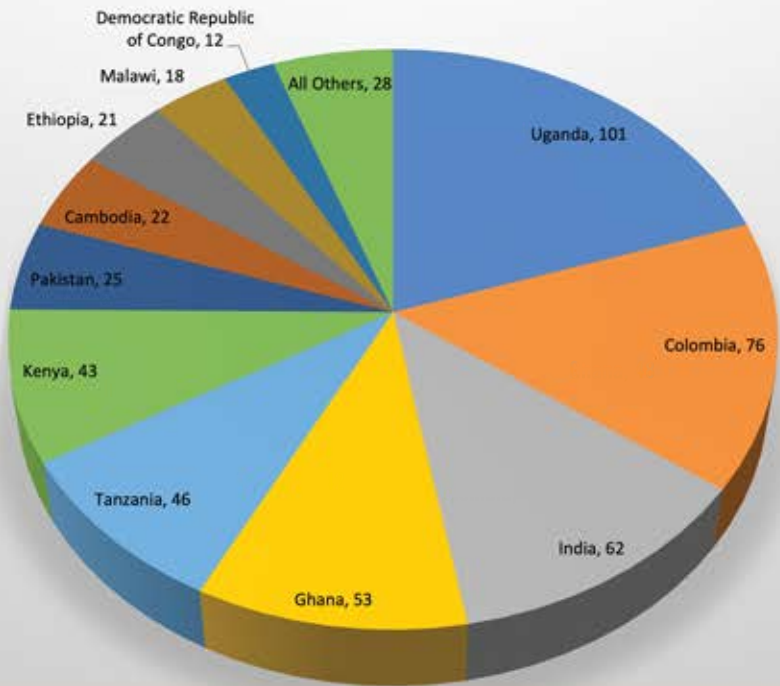
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WORKING IN 21 COUNTRIES



2021 ACHIEVEMENTS

55

New Students Sponsored

148

Students Currently Enrolled

ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

322 Students Graduated

91% Average Graduation Rate

850 Academic Years Sponsored 2000-2021

35%/65% Male/Female Ratio

54 Fields of Study, from Accounting to Forestry to Veterinary School

21 Countries Across 3 Continents: Home to Students We Sponsor

55 New Applicants in 2021



KEF GRANTED ME A TICKET TO MY DREAM

Neema Mallya of Arusha, Tanzania earned a Master's Degree in Community Development in 2016, which she credits to her sponsorship by KEF. She tells us "2014 was my best year, as my dream toward higher learning started to come true." Having lost their parents at a young age, Neema and her sister worked to support themselves until money for Neema's education ran out.

"As I was talking to my fellow student Salma one day, she mentioned KEF. That night I searched online and decided to seize the moment. I applied immediately and emailed it with a prayer. A month later, the result came: my application was successful. KEF granted me a ticket to my dream: a scholarship," says Neema.

"Through that education, I am helping students from poor families. I work for an organization that helps vulnerable and orphan children in Tanzania. In my spare time, I have been coaching two smart schoolchildren—Vincent and Vaileth, siblings—for the past four years. They are financially supported by an anonymous donor, and with my mentoring I will see that they both finish high school. Then their future will have changed. I am happy and proud of my job, and I'm paying forward to my community. KEF made it possible, and I'd like to give them my sincere thanks."

Keep up the good work, Neema, all of us at KEF are very proud of you.

LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER

Do you remember the days when our primary worry was climate change? While that continues to pose an existential threat, it seems that we're adding a new crisis with each passing year. The impact of pandemics (current and future) and of regional conflicts will continue to affect our world—and how we educate our children—for the foreseeable future. There is no silver bullet, no magic wand to cultivate a safer future. Only with the knowledge and patience to see things as they are, without bias, can we begin to solve these problems. We need to help each other if we're going to succeed.

Where is it written that only the current leaders of developed nations in America, Europe, and Asia have a lock on solving the problems they created in the first place? Is it too hard to imagine that an entire new generation of young people in developing countries can find a solution to the problems we've created? Or to prevent new ones before they happen?

There cannot be a monopoly on creative ideas among the privileged. We cannot begin to heal the world unless we unleash the power of education to the tens of millions of potential scholars who simply lack the funds to use their remarkable abilities for the greater good.

Over the past 22 years, our graduates have improved their communities in more than 20 countries by advocating for equal rights, researching cures for illnesses, improving local infrastructure, assisting the vulnerable, mentoring the young, and always leading by example. They speak truth to power because they have gained the knowledge that was born from the desire to help their communities.

By the end of this year, we will have funded 850 years of college education, all for less than \$1 million of your investment. Our foundation continues to grow with your support, and with the dedication of our staff and board of directors. KEF is a lean and well-oiled machine. With your help, we will put your investment and our faith in these future leaders, knowing that the lifeline we give them today may very well be the lifeline our world needs for tomorrow.


Founder

“If you are planning for a year, sow rice; if you are planning for a decade, plant trees; if you are planning for a lifetime, educate people”

— Chinese Proverb

2021 FINANCIALS

| Revenue | | |
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| Private Gifts/Donations | \$121,954 | 89% |
| Foundation Grants | \$11,000 | 8% |
| Government Grants | \$0 | 0% |
| Interest/Dividends/Carryover | \$4,197 | 3% |
| Total | \$137,151 | 100% |
| Expenses | | |
| Direct Tuition Payments | (\$48,688) | 54% |
| Laptop Distribution | (\$554) | 1% |
| Staff Salaries | (\$36,605) | 40% |
| General Administration | (\$12,512) | 5% |
| Total | (\$98,359) | 100% |



Your used laptop is worth more than you could ever imagine. Just ask the 120 sponsored students who've received one.



MARY HEERWALD, NEW BOARD MEMBER

Mary's relationship with KEF runs deep: More than a decade ago, she was the Foundation's first intern. Both parents have been long-time student sponsors, and Mary's mother, Marti Mattia, has also served on KEF's Board.

Whether she's teaching underserved students in Texas, traveling the world, or embarking on her own educational pursuits, Mary believes in the undeniable power of learning in all its forms, and in the impact of global citizenship. Mary recently earned her MS in Strategic Communication from Columbia University and has more than a decade of communications and marketing experience. She is honored and grateful to support KEF's mission to expand access to higher education and believes doing so will catalyze the changes this world needs to see. She lives in Austin, TX with her husband, energetic three-year old, and beloved pup.

FAUSTIN FOUNDATION FOR HUMANITARIAN AID

With a generous donation of \$1,300 from his mentor and longtime KEF supporter, Faustin Zigabe was able to assemble a team of volunteers and repair water pipes in his neighborhood in Goma, Democratic Republic of Congo, giving the gift of clean water just in time for Christmas, 2021. Faustin won a KEF scholarship to study law and graduated in 2020.

