

Kijabe Children's Education Fund

Educating and nourishing God's children in Kenya

Dear friends of KCEF;

Last week we sent you a brief update on the impact of the pandemic in Kenya and on our partner schools. We hope it was helpful for you and your families. Today we want to give you a few more specifics on the feeding program and how it is going.

When we first learned that all schools had been closed, we contacted each of them about the greatest needs, and their plans. They were all very concerned about the health impact of not providing two daily cooked meals for the children—most of whom rely on them as a primary source of nutrition and strength. All teachers realize how much better the students learn and respond in class when they have been fed.



Early on, when cooked meals were provided to 120 students at Blessed Children's Center

Students receiving food packs at Blessed Children's Centre in KIBERA slum



We immediately agreed to send funds to help, and asked the leaders/teachers to identify the neediest children. They began having those kids come to the school for one hot, cooked meal each day. It was great for their health, but other problems developed. The police are concerned about too many people moving about and gathering in the slums. In fact some government attempts to distribute food have resulted in ugly riots.

Our schools then changed their approach to providing a "food pack" of dry food that would last a family for one week—and then having them return a week later. These included maize flour, beans, rice, cooking oil, etc. One school has a large garden and is able to add a few vegetables for each family.



Food packs ready to go at Kicoshep School in KIBERA

The children and parents have been amazed that the schools would reach out to them in this way—and it is building a deep sense of loyalty to the schools and the teachers.

We are grateful for your help in this important ministry to the “poorest of the poor”. By adding more weeks to the effort we have now committed \$46,000 that was not in our budget for 2020. Our school Directors have asked that we pass on their deep gratitude to you, and their request for your continued prayer support.

If you wish to join us and help these children, you can donate on the website (click) www.KCEFfund.org or send a check to KCEF, 6 Maple Street, Essex, MA, 01929.

Thank you!

Craig Hammon, for the KCEF family

OUR VISION

Kijabe Children's Education Fund is dedicated to providing educational opportunities to children in rural Kenya and the slums of the city of Nairobi. Through feeding programs, school sponsorship, and project support, KCEF is helping to keep its students fed in body, mind and spirit.

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