Project Success Story
Kenya

ODFL has funded five new classrooms at five different schools in Kenya. They are an astounding improvement over the old. Each will last for decades and will serve *thousands* of students. They cost between $9,000 and $15,000 each. These classrooms are in the villages of Naro Moru, Ngenia, Karatina, Gakawa, and Mureru.

Below are pictures of the first project ODFL ever built. It is a classroom in Naro Moru. You can see the Deputy Principal’s office at the old school, and the new classroom below that. It was funded by 9,000 $1 donations from students at five California High Schools.
This is the high school at Ngenia. On the left is the outside of the old school. On the right, the outside of the new. What a difference! Like Naro Moru, above, it was entirely funded by $1 donations from thousands of California high school students.

This is the classroom under construction. ODFL requires 20% contribution from the local community for all projects. This is how it typically gets taken care of. It works!

Just below is the inside of the Ngenia school, the old school on the left, the new school on the right. In which classroom would you rather go to school?
Mathaithi is an all-girls’ school in Karatina. None of its 350 girls had ever touched a computer before. A group of 20 Key Clubs at all-girls schools in California, Nevada, and Hawaii, raised the funds to build this computer lab for the girls. See the girls, on the left, helping put up the rafters for the finished school, on the right. All from $1 donations.

Many Kenyan students can’t get to a school. The distances are too long and they can’t afford the calorie burn. One California high school collected 452 bicycles to send to the Kenyan students to help. They went to students at 11 schools around the Nanyuki area.

On the left, below, is a picture of the outside of the old classroom at the school in Gakawa, near Mount Kenya. On the right, are the students in their new classroom.
The outside, and students on the inside, at the new school in Mureru. This is one of the poorest villages in Kenya. It receives the lowest level of government help.

We helped fund a rainwater collection and drip irrigation system at the Gakawa school. It increased crop yields 500% for a given amount of water (desertification is a serious problem). Cabbages that were the size of softballs are now the size of basketballs.

An orphanage had 150 children but no protein to feed them. Students at Jordan Middle School in Palo Alto paid for two cows to give each child a glass of milk every day. Because of their help, we’re feeding orphans daily protein for $2 per child per year.

Do NOT believe you are powerless. EVERYTHING you see here was funded by $1 donations from American students. In truth, we can literally change the world. We just need to have the courage to believe in ourselves to do that. Then do it. Will you? Write to us at info@odfl.org and we’ll help you and your organization get started.

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