

# THE GLOBAL **GIVING TREE**

**Fundraising Newsletter** 



# **Spotlight on Recent Projects in Kenya**

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During the pandemic, some great things did happen. The motto, "we are stronger, together" holds very true as we celebrate The Global Giving Tree's One Year Anniversary! We just wrapped up a second trip to #Kenya with a new group of #philanthropists who helped us deliver our mission:

To improve #communities for humanity and #wildlife around the world, with sustainability and #conservation at the root of our efforts

A huge thank you to our partners at Secluded Africa WCT, Shasa Corcoran Head of Conservation and Bonface Mghanga, Community Liaison Officer in Kenya without all of this would be impossible. We are so grateful!

A lot of people ask us, "Why Kenya"? Our answer is simple. Come see Kenya, with us or through our eyes, and you'll fall in love with the wildlife, the community, the people and the beauty that surrounds you. The gratitude from providing a child with a book or a set of school supplies, to watching parched animals enjoy water after months of a drought, to seeing the impact of clean water to the lives of an entire village, or supporting a student who now has a skillset to provide for their family. These, and many more reasons exist, as to "Why Kenya".

Learn more about our ongoing projects and ways you can help. We have hosted 2 donor trips in 8 months and are planning our third one soon. Come join us!

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# PRIMARY EDUCATION

We met with a local school teacher in the Mara, John Sananka Matura, from the Olderkesi Primary School to give him some school supplies. He was so grateful! We also provided school supplies to (3) primary schools in the Tsavo Conservation area and met with the headmasters at Mbulia Primary, Ghazi Primary and Mwakajo Primary Schools.

We plan to sponsor some students for secondary school after they finish primary school, as the government only funds primary school. This is a four-year commitment and costs approximately \$1,500 per year, per student. The cost varies depending on the school they are accepted to.

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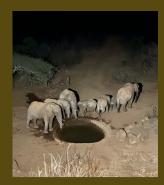
# SPONSORING VOCATIONAL SCHOOLING

Erick Mwasi Wakate was born on 9/02/2004 in the small village of Ghazi, Mkwachunyi. He is the forth born in a family of seven children, where he was raised by a single mom. In 2020, Erick completed his primary education. After this, his family could not afford to send him for higher education and fulfill his dream of becoming a vehicle mechanic.

But now, thanks to generous donations and supporters, Erick has a second chance at fulfilling his dream career!

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# **CLEAN WATER**

The community suffered a 9 month drought, causing a very difficult period for animals and community members. Families walk 7km just to collect water, which is not fresh and not always clean. With generous donations, we installed a water tank in the village of Muswanyenyi, providing 10 families with clean water. \$72 fills the water tank for a week.

During our Live Instagram Fundraising event while in Kenya, we raised \$2k to fill water holes for wildlife. Just \$40 provides 2 days of water, so we are able to provide 50 fills of waterholes.

Donating is as easy as giving up Starbucks for a week, or one less take-out dinner!

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# **HOW YOU CAN HELP**

This summer, a Wine Tasting and Golf Outing were both held, as we kicked off our fundraising goals. In total, \$19K in donations were raised!

We have been selling, handmade #KikoyTowels from Kenya. These have been a huge hit, as we have sold over 1000 Kikoy towels. They are still available and would make a great holiday gift for just \$40 per towel. Check out our shop to see the collection of vibrant colors and make your purchase to support our cause.

We are planning our next donor trip for the end of February. You should join us! Please email info@theglobalgivingtree.org if you are interested.

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