



Investing in Education

Life is hard for orphans in Kenya. Most people live below the poverty level of \$1 a day and 40% of adults are unemployed. It's not surprising that extended families find it very hard to care for orphan relatives. The terrible result is that 100,000 children have been abandoned and left to fend for themselves.



Those born to young single mothers, or who have lost their parents to AIDS, face discrimination and prejudice. They are most likely to be rejected and face a hopeless future of poverty, homelessness and abuse. Girls may be forced into bonded labour or child prostitution. If they survive, they lose out on education, suffer from malnutrition and are vulnerable to serious disease and an early death.



But in Thika, 30 miles north of Nairobi, behind the gate of the "Ngoingwa Centre for Good Future" there is a haven for abandoned children. Here the girls are cared for in a safe and loving environment. When they arrive, they are frightened, neglected and hungry. Many have been abused and some have seen their parents die. They are given a thorough medical check, prescribed appropriate treatment and put on a controlled diet. Within weeks they are on the track to recovery

Today, they are healthy, happy and talented girls with a "family" around them. They live with their house mother, eat and play together, do their homework and help out with the household chores. They go to local schools, sing in the choir and belong to the girls brigade. They are confident and doing well at school. They are safe and loved and have a bright future ahead of them.

***Change a Vulnerable Girl's Life Forever
as a "Patron" of Kenya Children Centres***

We believe that the way out of poverty is through education

We know it works because this approach has already born fruit. Many of our girls have done well at school and are now attending private secondary schools. We encourage them to aim high and some will attend University in the years ahead, others will follow vocational training. In the UK we take it for granted that education will be provided free of charge but in Kenya people have to pay – and often the poorest families make a huge sacrifice to enable their children to attend school.



As an Education Patron you will transform their lives

You can make a real and lasting difference to their lives. As an “Education Patron” you can invest in their future with a monthly donation towards their education costs. With your help, they will recover from their traumatic start and grow up strong and independent; confident that the sky ‘s the limit and keen to pass on the knowledge and the values that they have learned. Over time, you will see the return on your investment through regular updates on their progress and successes. You will have the joy of seeing them develop into happy educated young people with a bright future.

£5 per month will pay for a child’s school uniform
£10 per month will buy her a uniform and school meals
£25 per month will pay for her school fees and books
£40 per month will pay for all her school and transport costs

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