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Newsletter



Education Is Power Calls on Canadian Youth to Realize a Golden Opportunity

“Empower one who can empower others.”

The Karen and Fred Green Foundation are recognizing Education Is Power’s tireless volunteer efforts in the form of a matching funds grant of up to \$25,000. In order to receive the Green’s maximum contribution, we must spread our message of global responsibility to Canadian classrooms or youth groups and receive \$8250 in youth driven fundraising initiatives **before January 1st, 2016**. This is a \$3 to \$1 matching grant!

Fortunately, we had a wonderful head start when the campaign kicked off last May in Haliburton, Ontario. We were awe struck when Haliburton Highlands Secondary rallied their school and community to raise \$5444 for Education is Power (EIP)! The Canadian students gained incredible experience working with their community and had direct contact with East African students during the process.

With a little over \$2500 left to raise before December 2015, our goal is to find 25 classes or youth groups who are committed to raise \$100 each. At the individual level, that is \$4 raised per student in a class of 25 students. Remarkably, that \$4 would create a ripple effect bringing in \$10,000 to enable dedicated East African students to attend school!

The money raised will enable the following initiatives:

- Support five new post-secondary students and 16 new secondary students in Kenya and Tanzania.
- Fund empowerment programs where EIP supported students meet with local role models and engage in volunteer activities on school holidays.
- Employ two new primary teachers at the overcrowded Chumvi Primary School in Laikipia North, Kenya.
- Support EIP’s current 19 high school students and seven college/university students who do not have sponsors and rely on EIP’s continual fundraising efforts.

EIP volunteers love to visit Canadian classes and share their experiences from school in East Africa. When young people reach out across continents to help each other, we are consistently humbled by how much can be learned.

To find out how you can get a school in your community involved please contact info@educationispower.org. Also please consider forwarding this newsletter to a teacher you may know.

“Our students had a skype call with two EIP students last spring, and have never had such direct contact with international recipients of charitable donations.” -Teacher, Jennifer Paton at Haliburton Highlands Secondary

(Learn how teacher Jen Paton and her students were so successful at: www.educationispower.org/haliburton)