



VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The Tanzanian Education Foundation is an IRS 501(c)(3) grassroots nonprofit organization founded in 2006 by Nicole Miller and Erica Oblinger of Charleston, South Carolina. In October 2006, the founders traveled to the village of Tengeru in Arusha, Tanzania, to volunteer as teachers in a local, poverty-stricken school.

Within a month, they had formed a deep appreciation for the African culture and a profound love for the area children. Nicole and Erica witnessed on a daily basis the incredibly poor children with great attitudes towards life and an irresistible urge to learn. However, the reality of achieving such an education was combated by the lack of finances and tangible resources.

Upon their return to the United States, Nicole and Erica could not dismiss the desire to continue assisting these children in some way. Their altruistic urge eventually led to the development of the Tanzanian Education Foundation. The organization is based on the belief that generosity, hope, and financial support could be the salvation of these children. We believe that through education, academic as well as cultural, the children would be able to rise above the obstacles and devastation that seem to plague their young lives. It is our hope that they, with the help of our organization and dedicated volunteers, will eventually be able to lead themselves and their own children out of the never-ending cycle of poverty, illiteracy, disease, and death.

TEF is working to implement several important programs in efforts to help them with their quests. First, we will be sponsoring Meru Peak Nursery School. Our sponsorship of this school includes daily porridge and vitamins, school supplies, doctors' visits and health classes, HIV/AIDS testing, and medical care for the children. We also provide funds for medical and family emergencies, the daily operation of Meru Peak, field trips, teacher salaries, and continuing education for the teachers. Our second program focuses on the new construction at Meru Peak. In the future we hope to build a fence, install plumbing and running water, build a kitchen, and 2 new classrooms. Our third program helps provide scholarships for Meru Peak children so that they can continue their education. Hopefully, we can plant the seeds of education and awareness that will lead them into a brighter future instead of the unfathomable disease and death that now surrounds them. These children are beautiful people who might not otherwise ever get a chance to survive and succeed without our assistance and your volunteerism.

TEF's Safari and Volunteer Program is an opportunity for people who believe in our cause to travel to Africa and see this incredible part of the world as well as have a personal experience in helping these children. The trip consists of five full days on safari including visits to places like Serengeti and the Oongoragora Crater. You will meet the people of Tengeru Village and also meet the Masai Warrior Tribe in this region and become fully immersed in their culture. You will be granted the opportunity to participate in our ongoing efforts to help the impoverished children.

This is just the first of many donations from the Tanzanian Education Foundation. Helping the children of Tanzania is our lifelong passion and not one that will diminish in time. We truly believe that we can make a difference.

You, too, can make a difference. You will be able to fulfill your dream of helping those who are less fortunate than yourself. To complete your African journey, you will travel to Zanzibar, a small island off the eastern coast of Africa, for two days of relaxation on the beautiful beaches of that area. This part of the trip will give you an opportunity to reflect on your accomplishments and hopefully, instill in you the desire to continue supporting the children of Tanzania and our worthwhile nonprofit foundation.

The Tanzanian Education Foundation (TEF) is committed to creating hope for a brighter future for young Tanzanians by providing them with the means for a better education and healthier life. Our goals and aspirations could not be obtained without the support of volunteers like you. We sincerely thank you for your interest in our organization and appreciate your assistance in supporting our causes.

With hope and respect,

TEF Board of Directors

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