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Education Sponsorship Concept



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Our Organization

1 Who we are

help2kids was founded on 6 June 2009 in Switzerland. We are a young and dynamic organization with aid projects located in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania and Lifuwu, Malawi. **help2kids** is a politically and religiously independent association and is an officially registered charity in Switzerland, Tanzania, and Malawi. The **help2kids** association board is comprised of eight members: a president, a vice president, and six other board members. Additionally, a competency team actively supports the board which includes specialists in Marketing, Public Relations, Information Technology, and Fundraising.

In Africa, our team comprises several international managers and approx. 50 local staff members. Each manager supervises at least one aid project. In each country a Field Manager acts as Director and oversees all activities of **help2kids** in the respective country.

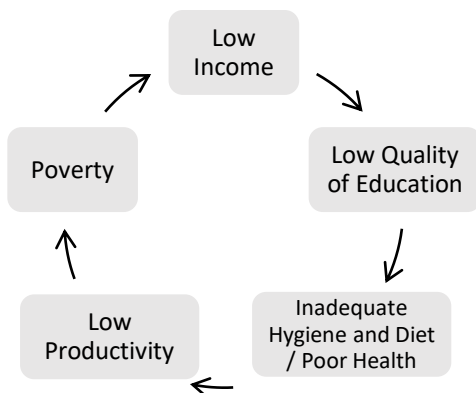
The current organizational structure and personal profiles can be found on our website:
<http://www.help2kids.org/en/organization>

2 What we do

We help orphans by providing food, shelter, education, and lots of love at our Children's Home. We also help the community by providing Nursery and Primary School education and medical support free of charge. All our aid projects focus on youth in acute crisis situations. These crisis situations may be family, health, or financially related. With our projects we aim to support children in such difficult situations / environments so that they can return to or continue with their path of education and become independent, self-sufficient and productive members of society.

Education is of the utmost importance in breaking the vicious cycle of poverty.

The vicious cycle of poverty is a seemingly endless continuation of poverty. Once a person or community falls below a certain level of resources, a chain of events starts to occur that tends to perpetuate the situation: progressively lower levels of education and training leading to lack of employment opportunities, leading to criminal activity (such as sale of illegal drugs) for survival, leading to addiction, shattered health, early death, and breakup of family, leading to an even bleaker future for the next generation ... and so on.





Education System in Tanzania

1 Nursery School

Attending nursery school is compulsory and children who are four years old can attend up to three years and are primarily taught in Kiswahili, Mathematics, Reading, and Writing.

2 Primary School

Primary School is compulsory for children who are seven to 14 years old. Students have to complete a total of seven standards and pass their yearly exams. Even after the abolishing of Primary School tuition fees in 2002, there are many parents who struggle to send their children to school due to payments for school uniforms, testing fees, school supplies and after-school lessons. Government Primary Schools are taught in Kiswahili while most private schools are taught in English.

At the end of Standard 7, students must pass the Primary School National Examination in order to receive a Primary School Certificate and attend a government Secondary School. Students who fail the test may apply to a private Secondary School, however these schools are unaffordable for most students.

3 Secondary School

Government Secondary School is compulsory for all children who pass the Primary School National Examination. Since the classes are instructed in English, it makes it extremely difficult for students who are transitioning from government primary school, which is taught in Kiswahili, to secondary school. As a result, many students drop out before completing their first year in secondary school. Especially children from low income families need a lot of support and coaching in order to pass the exams during the first years.

Secondary school is divided into two levels, Ordinary and Advance. Ordinary level is Form 1 to Form 4. After passing the Form 4 exams, students receive a Certificate of Secondary Education Examinations (CSSE). The top students are selected and proceed to the advance level of Form 5 and 6, which is only taught in boarding schools. After passing Form 6, students receive an Advanced Certificate of Secondary Education Examination which allows selected students to enroll in a University. Alternatively, after Form 4 students can go to one of a number of specialist colleges and educational institutions to study for a certificate and then a Diploma. Once a student has been awarded a Diploma they can also enroll in a University.

4 University and Other Tertiary Education

There are around 50 accredited Universities and Colleges in Tanzania, however many families cannot afford the tuition and boarding costs. There are also other educational opportunities such as technical, vocational, and professional schools where students can be certified and trained in a range of different fields.



Vision

Through the **help2kids** Education Sponsorship Program (ESP), we provide students in Tanzania and Malawi with the ability to further their education. Many of our students come from challenging backgrounds and without financial support, their educational career would stop after completing Primary School. This program allows children to continue their education in Secondary School and ultimately become well-rounded members of their society. We believe in the power of education and its ability to increase opportunities.



Students in our Education Sponsorship Program are chosen based on their academic results over the last two years of Primary School and their final examination results. The program covers necessities such as school fees, uniforms, textbooks and school supplies, however we also provide school meals and healthcare (in Tanzania). We want to ensure our students' physical and mental well-being while enrolled in our program. **help2kids** is seeking long-term sponsors who are able to financially support a child until he/she has completed their Secondary education.



Selection Process

The students are selected based upon academic merit, not upon a personal relationship or favoritism. The students are assessed by their internal testing results and final examination which gives us a good view over their academic achievements, their enthusiasm to learn and their performance capability. We also assess the family income and the willingness of their parents to support their children in their education. We make initial selections prior to them sitting the National Exams in September. Final selections are then made after the National Examination during their final year in Primary School and those students who have passed will then be officially enrolled into our Education Sponsorship Program.



Support of Sponsored Students

Once a child is sponsored through our Education Sponsorship Program, we are determined to provide the necessary support such as academic, emotional, and medical. In Tanzania, we meet with our sponsored students weekly, and sometimes more often. Our meetings with the sponsored students allow us to monitor their academic progress and assist with any other issues. Issues may vary from purchasing a new uniform to seeking medical attention.

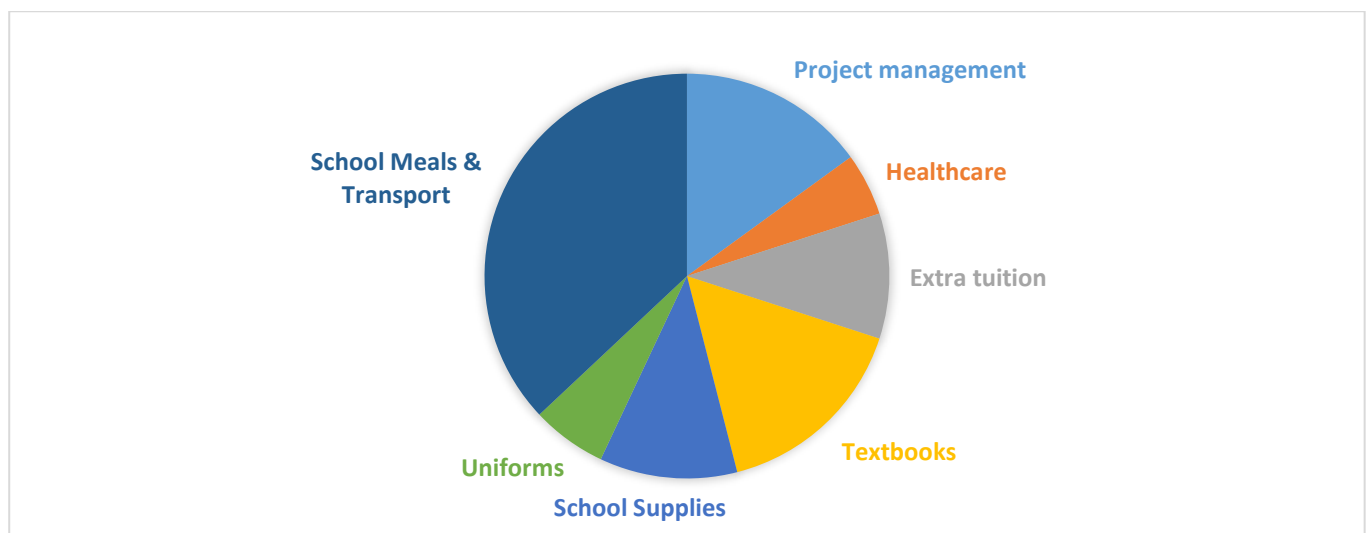
Sponsorship Package in Tanzania

Every child enrolled in our sponsorship program goes through a detailed background check by our Educational Sponsorship Manager and Coordinator beforehand. In general, the families of our students have almost no money available to invest in the education of their children. These children/students need a lot of financial and educational support in order to have a “fair” chance of successfully passing their Secondary School examinations.

The sponsorship packages comprise the following:

	Day School	Boarding School
Payment for after school subjects and extra tuition	✓	✓
Payment for textbooks	✓	✓
Payment for school supplies	✓	✓
Support of students (24/7 contact person), weekly support meetings, coordination by Sponsorship Coordinator on site, Project Management and reporting to donors (regular update reports and additional communication on request)	✓	✓
Payment for uniforms	✓	✓
Payment for school meals and transport	✓	✓
Contribution to Health Project for coverage of medical / health related costs	✓	✓
All meals included	X	✓
Accommodation	X	✓
Sponsorship Cost when paid monthly	USD 50	USD 65
Sponsorship Cost when paid annually	USD 580	USD 780

Breakdown of the costs for a **Sponsorship Package**:





How it works: The Sponsorship Process



STEP 1 If you are interested in sponsoring a child through Secondary School, please fill out the form on the following website www.help2kids.org/en/tz-education-sponsorship-program-tanzania-en/ or send us an email to sponsorships@help2kids.org. Please note that we ideally look for a four-year commitment from all our sponsors to ensure the child's completion of Secondary School. However, if at any point you do not wish to renew your sponsorship, we request that you give us at least three months' notice so that we can attempt to find a new sponsor for your child.

STEP 2 After you have completed the online Sponsorship Form, our Sponsorship Manager will confirm your interest in sponsoring a child and will instruct you with further information.

STEP 3 Please make your first payment as a new sponsor! Our Sponsorship Manager will be able to answer any questions regarding your payment. Payments can be made by credit card or bank transfer. For credit card payments, please visit the following website www.help2kids.org/en/donate.

For payments by bank transfer, please find in the following the information of our donation bank account (for all currencies):

Switzerland (all currencies)

Beneficiary: help2kids
Eggstrasse 12, 6315 Oberägeri, Switzerland
Bank: Postfinance
Account No: 60-432538-4
IBAN: CH480900000604325384
SWIFT/BIC: POFICHBEXXX
Clearing number: 9000

Germany (EUR)

Beneficiary: help2kids Germany e.V.
Invalidenstrasse 2, 66292 Riegelsberg, Germany
Bank: Vereinigte Volksbank eG Saarlouis
IBAN: DE14590920002603490005
SWIFT/BIC: GENODE51SB2
Clearing number: 590 920 00

STEP 4 You can choose a payment schedule of your convenience (monthly, quarter yearly or annually). If you prefer you may also pay for all four years of Secondary School in one payment.

After your payment is received, we will send you a confirmation by e-mail and inform the respective child that you are their sponsor! The child will be enrolled at the next availability for Secondary School (if not already done).

STEP 5 Our Sponsorship Team holds weekly meetings with the sponsored children/students to discuss their educational development and to make necessary payments. The sponsored students will receive additional educational support when needed including additional tutoring. All students will be regularly monitored for health issues. You will receive frequent updates from the Sponsorship Manager by e-mail. The Sponsorship Manager is always available to answer your questions. Please let him know if you wish to have a direct contact with the student, if you wish to exchange letters or to make a personal visit.

Return to sponsor



Sponsoring a student allows you to give the amazing gift of education. Through your generosity the student will be able to enhance their academic knowledge and give him/her a fair chance of a brighter future. Throughout your sponsored student's academic journey, you will receive:

- a **help2kids** thank you letter which can be used for tax purposes.
- an academic report/update or letter 2 times a year.
- photos of your sponsored child throughout the year.

Contact us

If you have any questions regarding the Education Sponsorship Program or about your sponsored child, please feel free to contact: sponsorships@help2kids.org or find further contact information on our website: www.help2kids.org/en/contacts-en/

Thank you for your time and consideration.

