

Foundation Ukunda Schools Project

We founded the Ukunda Schools Project to give children in Kwale District (esp. in Ukunda - Kenya) the opportunity to have better possibilities for education. Ukunda is about 40 km south of Mombasa. It is near the coast of the Indian Ocean, half way between Mombasa and the border with Tanzania.

Since 1 January 2003 education in Kenya is for free. So, theoretically all children can attend primary schools. Not all parents can afford to buy school uniforms and text books, pens, paper, etc. And the Ministry of Education cannot provide the schools with enough money for text books and maintenance of the school buildings. So there is a huge lack of text books, school desks and classrooms. The lower grades are overcrowded: (more than) 100 students per class is more common than rare.

During their vacations René de Vries and Janet van Wegen decided to help the poor primary schools in Ukunda and surrounding area. René, Janet and some friends of them decided to co-operate together and they founded the Foundation Ukunda Schools Project.

Since that moment we were able to help some schools. We delivered more than 1,000 text books to Mvindi Primary School and 100 school desks to Mwamanga Primary School. We travel frequently (on our own costs) to Kenya to buy school stationaries in Mombasa. That way we can help to stimulate the local economy and we also are able to keep an eye on the deliveries and to see if the schools use our donations.



Delivering of 100 school desks to Mwamanga Primary School

Example of one of our projects:

The roof of Mvindi Primary School is in a terrible shape. When it rains, the classrooms cannot be used. The floors are in a bad shape too. And there is a lack of enough classrooms. Our Foundation is trying to get enough money for renovation of the school building. Our targets are: a new roof, new floors, plastering of the inside walls and new black boards. This is only the beginning, but very needed for this school.



We stimulate schools to pay more attention to the sexual education about HIV/Aids. How can students protect themselves against this disease. This kind of education is very needed.

We need your help to realize our targets. You can help us with a donation or to become a regular sponsor of our foundation.

With your financial support you help us to give the Kenyan children more possibilities to finish primary schools and thus improve their chances on a better future.

Visit our website for more information:
<http://www.ukundafoundation.org>

Fill in the form below and send it to us:
 Stichting Ukunda Schools Project
 Ien Dalessingel 108
 7207 LN Zutphen
 The Netherlands

By sending this form to us you notify us that you are willing to make some kind of donation to our Ukunda Schools Project.

Yes, I am willing to help Foundation Ukunda Schools Project to improve the education for the children in Ukunda, Kenya. I am planning to make a donation:

monthly 3 months half year year once

€ 10,-

€ 25,-

Or another currency: amount:

Date (ddmmyyy):

Sign:

Name:

Address:

Zipcode:

City:

Country:

E-mailaddress:

I like to receive the e-mail newsletter.

Stichting Ukunda Schools Project is an official registered Dutch charity foundation (not-for-profit):
 Camber of Commerce Veluwe en Twente: 08136549
 (The Netherlands. Note: Stichting is Dutch for Foundation)

Some payment methods for foreign citizens, schools, etc.:

1 - Inside Europe: our IBAN account number is: NL25INGB0675546176

2 - For outside Europe: you can pay online using:
 A - Global SchoolNet - GSN's Just Give Page, fill in the donation amount and mention Ukunda Schools Project in the Designated donation field
<http://www.justgive.org/giving/donate.jsp?charityId=3489&>
 We are an official partner of GSN. Global SchoolNet is an official USA 501(c)(3) not-for-profit education organization.

B - PayPal (<http://www.paypal.com>) . Make a donation to Rene de Vries (E-mailaddress = r.de.vries@tip.nl) and mention Ukunda Schools Project.

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 Contact us for more foundation details by using Western Union Money Transfer