

WFWP USA: Walk Toward Hope Begins Before Sunrise at Handow School in Kenya

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Dear,

Every weekday before the sun rises, a young student named **Imbulani Faith** begins her day with a six-kilometer walk to Handow Secondary School in Kenya.

She leaves home at **5:00 a.m.** and doesn't return until around **6:30 p.m.** Her parents are unemployed, yet they continue to encourage her education however they can. Faith dreams of becoming a nurse, and despite the long journey and daily challenges, she remains determined to work hard and build a brighter future.

She recently shared these heartfelt words to WFWP:

"I would like to take this golden opportunity to thank you once again for supporting my education. May God bless you and your family. I promise to work hard and do my best in my exams."



Stories like Faith's remind us why the **Schools of Africa** initiative exists.

In **1998**, WFWP adopted and opened **Handow Secondary School** while it was only partially constructed. It is located in a rural Kenyan village where access to electricity, running water, and educational resources remains limited. Over the years, the school has educated more than **2,725 graduates**, becoming an important source of hope for families in the community.

Because of generous supporters like you, Handow has continued to grow. Your gifts have helped improve school facilities, provide educational supplies, and strengthen opportunities for students who are eager to learn.

Most recently, your generosity helped move the school's long-awaited **two-story classroom building** closer to completion. Construction began several years ago, and thanks to support from WFWP USA, the building is now nearing the finish line. Once completed, it will provide a stronger, safer learning environment for current students and future generations.



This August, our goal is to raise \$20,000 to continue supporting Schools of Africa at all of our locations and the students whose lives are being transformed through education.

Whether you choose to make a one-time gift or begin a monthly contribution, every donation helps create opportunities for young people like Faith to pursue their dreams.

[Donate Today](#)

Throughout this month, we'll introduce you to more students, teachers, and communities whose lives have been changed through your generosity. We hope you'll continue this journey with us.

Thank you for believing that education has the power to change lives.

With gratitude,

Women's Federation for World Peace USA

P.S. Looking for another meaningful way to support the Schools of Africa? We also have beautiful handcrafted bags and pouches made by the talented women of New

Hope Technical Institute in Rwanda. Featuring bold, colorful African fabrics, every purchase helps support our Schools of Africa initiative.

HANDMADE AFRICAN PRINT BAGS



During the month of August, we're excited to bring to you a collection of handmade totes and pouches, crafted by the talented artisans at New Hope Technical Institute in Rwanda.

Each vibrant piece supports the Schools of Africa Project. Check them out whether you're looking for a meaningful gift or a unique item for yourself!

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Support Through Handcrafted Gifts



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SCHOOLS SERVED: 6 SCHOOLS IN 5 COUNTRIES

TOTAL RAISED: \$715,000+

DID YOU KNOW... UNESCO reports 59 million primary age children are out of school, with 54% in Africa.

Schools of Africa Project: In the early 90s, WFWP Japan launched international cooperation activities by Japanese overseas volunteers to serve all over the world. With willing hearts, these women went to nations with the greatest need and to neighborhoods in every corner of the world. They started schools, supported opportunities of education for those in need, and created opportunities for women and girls to build a promising future.

Inspired by their dedication, WFWP USA initiated the "Schools of Africa" project in 2001 to financially support 9 schools in 8 African countries founded by those faithful volunteers.

YOUR DONATIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

Since 2001, WFWP USA has sent over \$715,000 to these schools, which have empowered 24,000+ African graduates through education since 1994, and continues to enroll nearly 2,000 per year thanks to your support!

"When we give and forget, true love flourishes." - Mother Moon, Founder of WFWP

2026 UPDATES

- **\$5,000** sent in March 2026 and **\$3,000** in September 2025 to the **Sun of Mozambique Secondary School** for their general administrative costs, to install a water tank for the toilets, and purchase new photocopy machines. This year they have 520 students attending the school.
- **\$11,000** sent in March 2026 to the New Hope Technical Training Institute in **Rwanda** for the "Women's Startup Empowerment Project 2026", a structured program including a business boot camp, one-on-one mentorship, and a final pitch competition to support a select group of social entrepreneurs
- **\$6,000** sent in September 2025 to **New Hope Technical Training Institute in Rwanda** to purchase necessary training supplies for culinary arts, beautician, and tailoring courses; these tools are invaluable for the students to practice what they are learning
 - **additional \$8,000** sent in December 2025 to the **New Hope Technical Training Institute** to fund **3 additional specialized trainings** for students to help them be more competitive upon graduation and boost the **daily lunch** so students have nutrition to focus on their studies
- **\$7,800** sent in September 2026 to **Handow Secondary School in Kenya** to renovate their dilapidated dining hall
- **\$3,000** sent in September 2025 to **Sunac Elementary School in Guinea Bissau** to paint and repair their classrooms

YOU CAN MAKE AN IMPACT!



STUDENT AT HANDOW SECONDARY SCHOOL

"Before your help came into my life, continuing with my studies seemed like a distant dream...I now walk into class each day with hope in my heart and confidence in my future. At Handow, I have access to quality education, dedicated teachers, and a supportive learning environment."



PARENT AT SUNAC ELEMENTARY

"I'm very happy that my daughter is a student of SUNAC Elementary School. It is a good school where I was able to learn important things from her. I want to thank WFP for their support. Like all fathers we are going to do the best for SUNAC school."



GRADUATE OF NEW HOPE TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

"NHTI nurtured me and changed my life. The job I gained after graduating supports me and my family. It helped me during a time when I had no one to rely on. I am deeply grateful to NHTI, the foster parents program, and everyone who supported me."



STUDENT AT PEACE HANA SCHOOL

"I love this school because the sport scholarship helps me to realize my football dream. I have played and won trophies for the school and I strongly believe that through this career I will take care of my family in the future."

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS



LIBERIA

Peace Hana School since 1998

Initially, Peace Hana was established to equip economically disadvantaged children from 3-6 years old with reading and writing skills and extracurricular courses. Later in 2002, the school was expanded to become an elementary school. There are currently 98 students enrolled. [FIND OUT MORE](#)



GUINEA BISSAU

Sunac Elementary School since 2003

Despite political and social instability in Guinea Bissau, Sunac offers classes regularly throughout the year, making the school zone a safe place for children to grow. Also, the school has a high female enrollment rate. Sunac has been able to reach 587 graduates since 2003. [FIND OUT MORE](#)

SECONDARY SCHOOLS



MOZAMBIQUE

Sun of Mozambique Secondary School since 1995

After a civil war in 1992, the country lacked resources and infrastructure for quality education. Sun of Mozambique offers quality education at a low fee. In addition to this, the school also provides scholarship programs to deserving students, and a library and computer lab facilities. The school has earned a worthy reputation, impacting the lives of 12,444 graduates, many of whom have gone to attend university. [FIND OUT MORE](#)



KENYA

Handow Secondary School since 1998

Handow is located in a poor neighborhood village far away from the capital with limited electricity and running water. Since its establishment, the school has successfully educated 2,130 graduates. With continuous support from WFP, the school became accredited as a public school and later implemented a tuition-free policy in 2008. Donations have been utilized in the construction of the school's infrastructure and providing school supplies to the students. [FIND OUT MORE](#)

ADULT EDUCATION



RWANDA

New Hope Technical Institute since 1998 and New Hope Professional Training Center since 2023

The institute was founded to help women and ex-soldiers after the Rwandan genocide become financially independent by equipping them with skills in culinary arts, dressmaking, and hairdressing. This has not only brought a sense of independence amongst the 2,501 graduates, but also a sense that they are loved and valued. In 2023, construction was completed on the New Hope Professional Training Center for graduates of the New Hope Technical Institute. [FIND OUT MORE](#)

