

PROGRESS REPORT 2021



HELLO UGSF FAMILY!

Dear Friends and Supporters of the Ugandan Girls Scholarship Foundation,

It has been a long, long time. We hope that you are well and that you have weathered the pandemic as well as possible too. We know that it has been challenging for many people in terms of health, finances, stress, and missing loved ones from afar. As with all of you, we too are hoping that we are turning a corner and that some degree of "normalcy" is on the horizon.

One more thing that makes us appreciate our position as Canadians in the developed world is watching our Ugandan friends navigate this pandemic. They have done so with grace, bravery and resilience. They have isolated at home without electricity, with limited food and little money. They have missed semesters as it simply wasn't possible for secondary schools to facilitate remote learning opportunities and village life without stable electricity makes it impossible. And yet, there is hope...

Our Ugandan liaison, Paul Mulondo, has been a stable force throughout the past 18 months remaining in close contact with us and with the girls in our program. He has navigated equipping the university level students with laptops and in some cases phones for educational use, so that they could adapt and participate in the limited offerings by some of the universities in the capital. Because of his tremendous efforts we are seeing a resurgence and are once again paying tuition, arranging accommodations, buying school uniforms and arranging access to technology.

We are thrilled to be back at it!



SUCCESS STORIES...

As this is our first communication in quite a while we thought we would share a few stories and pictures of the successes that the girls have accomplished. What follows is a selection of pictures and stories highlighting these amazing young women. We've seen graduations, new jobs, Masters degrees (self funded!), marriages, babies and resilient capable women who are better off because of the contributions you have made.





Edith, Natasha and Flavia happy at school!



Mary

We supported Mary through junior high and high school and then at university where she studied teaching. She then secured herself an excellent teaching position and worked for several years saving her money and has just moved to Nairobi to begin her Masters degree which she is self financing!



Mary, the day we told her she was receiving a scholarship to Junior High School

Mary today working on her Master's degree!



Loy

We lost track of Loy 6 or 7 years ago when she finished high school but Paul remembered how clever she is and went looking for her. He learned that she was in Kenya working long hours as a maid. He reached out and together we brought her back from Kenya. Loy is currently residing with Paul as we finalize her acceptance into college!



Dorothy,

Bachelor of Science, Mathematics Makarare University , Kampala





Faridah,

Bachelor of Science, Tourism and Hospitality Management Makarare University , Kampala

The successes are many and these young women have shown tenacity and resilience that we can't even fathom. It is our privilege to support them and to take your generosity and help turn it into something that is making a significant difference in the world!



Esther,

Nursing Program, International Institute of Health Science

HOLIDAY GIVING 2021

Our spending once again ramps up in December as the girls are all returning to post secondary (we have just two girls still in high school). Our costs are escalating, especially with the addition of technology needs. If you are able to consider us in your seasonal giving this year we would very much appreciate it!

You will find the UGSF gift certificate attached to this message. Make your donation and slip the certificate into a stocking or a card this holiday season.

Donations can be made by etransfer to info@ugsfund.com, by cheque, or by visiting our website. www.ugsfund.com.



WISHES YOU

Happy Holidays!

A generous donation has been made in your name to the Ugandan Girls Scholarship Foundation..



DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE AND ALL YOU CONTINUE TO DO! PLEASE TALK TO US ABOUT THE VARIOUS WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE OR ANY FUNDRAISING IDEAS THAT YOU MAY HAVE.

PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE: WWW.UGSFUND.COM TO MAKE AN ONLINE DONATION USING PAYPAL.

DONATIONS CAN ALSO BE SENT TO: UGANDAN GIRLS SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION 2784 LIONEL CRES SW CALGARY, AB T3E 6B2

WHERE DOES MY DONATION GO?

As always, **100% of your donation will go directly to providing a girl with tuition support.** Our limited administrative costs include banking charges, wire transfers, long distance calls, as well as a small stipend to our Ugandan liaison Paul Mulundo. These costs are covered by specific donations from donors who have designated their donation for the administration costs for UGSF.



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