

# Everyone's Child, Inc.

*CHANGING A GENERATION THROUGH EDUCATION*

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## Educating

Everyone's Child continues to support orphaned children who want to attend secondary school. Currently there are 6 students in our program who need financial assistance. Would you consider sponsoring a student?

## Connecting

EC partnered with CBN to have a rainwater harvesting system installed at our school in Kampi ya moto this Fall.



## Caring

High School senior Erin Viens asked her classmates in Vermont to make hundreds of friendship bracelets to pass out to students in Kenya because she "...wanted them to know that they had friends in America who care about them."



## Forming Partnerships

**What do** Juniper's Fare Restaurant and Saving the World Apparel have in common? They are two businesses that have chosen to give a portion of their proceeds to non-profit organizations who serve children - and EC happens to be the happy recipient of these collaborative contributions! You can learn about the mission of each organization by visiting their websites:

[www.junipersfare.com/mission](http://www.junipersfare.com/mission) and [www.savingtheworldapparel.com](http://www.savingtheworldapparel.com)

**EC is moving ahead** with plans for a medical clinic in Kenya! The Waterbury Rotary Club of Waterbury, Vermont has raised over \$7000 toward the medical clinic that will be built in Lanet in the coming year. Past Rotary President Lynn Mason traveled to Kenya with Everyone's Child in 2012 and came home



**EC's Executive Director Ruth Young greets some of the youngest citizens in the village of Lanet Umoja**

with the goal of raising funds to help the citizens of Lanet achieve their dream of building a clinic so they wouldn't have to travel for miles to receive medical help. We are currently waiting for the local government to decide on the location of the clinic.

## Water has long been an issue

in Kampi ya moto, an arid region in Kenya that literally translates to "Camp of Fire". Everyone's Child has been partnering with CBN since 2011 to bring potable drinking water to the area. An effort was made to dig a well

there, but when it came up dry, CBN contracted with a local company to install a rain harvesting system. The gutters are in place and the job is nearly done!

To learn more about our partnerships or to make a secure online donation, please visit our website:

[www.everyoneschild.net](http://www.everyoneschild.net) or contact us at [info@everyoneschild.net](mailto:info@everyoneschild.net). *Asante!*





Education. They know it's a privilege.

### Serving Others



Kaylie Viens from Harwood Union High School in Vermont helps to serve lunch to orphans in Kampi ya moto.

Three seniors from Harwood Union High School in Vermont traveled to Kenya in February 2013. They visited hundreds of students in our five schools, passed out friendship bracelets, and helped feed children at lunchtime. They saw that children were grateful for what they were receiving, both in and out of the classroom. Says Kristyn Dash, former senior class president, "I know there are poor children in Vermont, but you don't see them lining up for their only meal every day." They were also impressed by the respect that Kenyan students showed their teachers, something they see missing at home.

### Sponsoring Students



Hellen Mugi is in Standard 8 (the 8<sup>th</sup> grade) at Lanet Umoja Primary School.

Hellen has been an orphan since 2005 when she lost both her parents to AIDS. She and five other orphaned students in her school are hoping to attend our secondary school this coming January. In most cases orphans in Kenya do not have the opportunity to go to secondary school as families are unwilling to pay for their education. Hellen loves school, and is relying on outside help to finish her education. Everyone's Child, has made a commitment to ensure that all orphaned students who want to go to Bishop Donovan Secondary School will be able to attend that school. Please give to our Educational Scholarship Fund today!

### Making Connections



Ben Crosby, a recent graduate of the University of Vermont's School of Economics discusses small business entrepreneurship with students in Lanet.

After graduating with a degree in Community Development, Ben Crosby of Fayston, Vermont wanted to travel to Kenya to talk to students who were interested in starting small businesses in their towns and villages. He got his wish, and traveled to Kenya in February 2013. His take on the trip? "I fell in love with Africa! I found in the Kenyan students a thirst for moving forward. Their hunger for personal and societal advancement was inspiring." If you would like to join us on one of our trips to Kenya, please contact us at [info@everyoneschild.net](mailto:info@everyoneschild.net).