



# Koins for Kenya

## 2012 Kenya Expeditions

Our Spring Expedition dates have been set. The dates are April 19-29. Spring expeditions are smaller and more intimate, and cost less, than our summer expeditions.

Just a reminder that we will be accepting applications and deposits for all of our 2012 expeditions on January 1. The applications can be found on our website, [www.koinsforkenya.org](http://www.koinsforkenya.org). We are limiting the number of participants on each expedition to 15, so get your application in early to assure a spot.

There are still spots available for our 2012 Youth Leadership Expedition. We have extended the application deadline to January 15. This expedition is perfectly suited for youth ages 17 - 25 looking to add some meaningful volunteer work to their college or graduate application - or simply wanting to do something life changing. More info is available on the Koins blog. Remember that we are offering a Mount Kilimanjaro add-on for the first time this year. If you are interested in this, please make that clear on your application.

Wishing you a happy and warm holiday season,  
**Jami Quesenberry,**  
*Expedition Coordinator, Koins for Kenya*

## The Village Drill Project

In a collaborative effort, WHOlives.org and Koins for Kenya have opened the door to the real possibility of curtailing one of the greatest problems this world has ever faced. Scarce and contaminated water kills over 3.75 million people every year. That is over 67 people every 10 minutes...24 hours a day. Scarce and contaminated water kills more people than AIDS, malaria and measles combined. Water.org now reports that nearly 1 billion people suffer from this crisis worldwide.

So why have we heard so little about this problem? Quite frankly until now there were no realistic solutions. The capital costs of providing clean water to remote areas were unrealistic, running into the billions of dollars and even then, access to remote villages with large drilling rigs is nearly impossible.

The Village Drill, by the combined efforts of Koins for Kenya and WHOlives.org will change everything; a small, powerful, human powered drill that can be hauled in literally anywhere a person can walk, powered by human hands, which will give millions of people access to clean, lifesaving water. Utilizing the workshop in Mnyenzi, local workers will manufacture the Village Drill, and distribute these portable and affordable drills throughout eastern Africa. For the first time ever, clean and accessible water can be available year round to rural Africans. Water changes everything.

Clean water makes better health possible. Better health leads to more opportunity for adults and more education for children. More opportunity and education can end poverty.

Your donations are needed now more than ever. A \$3,500 donation will provide a well that will bring perpetual water to an entire village. Join us today and be a part of history. To make a donation towards a village well, designate Water Projects on your check or in the drop down box of your online donation.

## 2012 KOINS EXPEDITIONS

April Expedition:  
**April 19-29**

June Expedition:  
**June 18-30**

July Expedition:  
**July 6-22**

Youth Leadership Expedition:  
**July 6-22**

## 2011 Scholarship Re-cap

It has been an eventful year in the scholarship area of Koins for Kenya. We have seen growth, problems, challenges and successes beyond what we imagined could occur in so short a time.

We began the year with 77 secondary students on scholarship at Mnyenzi Secondary school. We also had six students attending other secondary schools outside the Koins area. These students were selected on the basis of great need and high grades and scores when coming from their respective primary schools. We have raised the requirement level of Level 8 test scores each year, as the number of students who perform well in the primary grades increases; and each year we see students with the higher scores coming forward to show great need. It challenges us to find sponsors who can help fund the education for these students, but so far, we have been able to sponsor the students that the Kenyan board proposes we support.

This year, sadly, it became apparent that a few of our students were not performing at expected levels in their classroom grades and reports. We very regrettably had to drop ten students from our scholarship program. We are adding ten new students to our scholarship program who have not previously been sponsored, but who are working hard and achieving high grades, and are of great need.

We will be adding ten new Form One students in January. If our scholarship sponsors number higher than the number of students we have enrolled, I will direct the Kenyan board to carefully choose a few more of the highest scoring and most needy students that we can help.

One of the great things that has happened in the scholarship program at Koins is the number of university students who are now enrolled at universities throughout Kenya, and who are moving forward with their life goals and dreams. We have 18 students at universities who have come directly out of the Koins for Kenya secondary scholarship program. This "cream of the crop", this top two percent of the secondary student population carry with them the hopes of family and village as they complete their studies. Our students are studying education, environmental studies, accounting, pre-law and engineering. We expect them to return to their villages to help improve life there. We expect all of these university students to re-pay their education expenses to Koins to help other students who are accepted at universities in Kenya in the future.

We expect the scholarship program to continue on because of the support of great sponsors. If you are interested in sponsoring a student at Mnyenzi Secondary or one of our universities, just let us know. We are happy to have more sponsors! You may email me at [nancylittlefield@comcast.net](mailto:nancylittlefield@comcast.net), or go to the Koins for Kenya website and use the Acceptiva

donation page, making sure you note on your donation that your money should go toward the sponsorship of a student. I will take it from there. You will be matched up with a student, and then you will receive your student's report card and a letter three times a year, at the end of each term. It is a great way to feel connected to the Koins efforts in Mnyenzi!

The cost of a secondary scholarship this year will be \$350. A university scholarship is currently costing \$2,500. We can divide university scholarships between a numbers of sponsors.

On another note, as our family watches the work we are doing and catches the spirit of giving, we have been able to watch and participate in a project that our granddaughter has created at her junior high. Her school chooses a fund-raising event each year. This year, Legacy Junior High chose to raise funds to build a "sister school" in the Koins area of work. The school will raise funds until March 16th, and then they can follow the construction of the building that they have raised the funds to build. Legacy Junior High, building a "legacy" to forever follow in Kenya!

We are trying each year to improve our scholarship program, and our gratitude to our many donors grows with each student that we see succeed in life. Your contributions and support do more than you can even imagine in the lives of these very special students. Thank you so very much!

**-Nancy Littlefield**

*Scholarship Coordinator, Koins for Kenya*

## Message from Anthony Yama, Executive Director

We have come so far! The journey that started in 2006 is bringing many individuals together to share their passion and become involved in a big way, creating avenues for opportunities for our children and entire communities at large. This has made a big, big difference.

Our involvement has been made possible through the sacrifices our friends and supporters have made in the U.S. Despite the turbulence, Koins has moved forward with sustainable programs that have been initiated to eradicate poverty, disease and ignorance.

On behalf of the Koins for Kenya board, I do invite your passion on board, to justify our cause to life, our reason to serve, and our quest for a just world.

Welcome to Koins and make a difference!

# 2012 PROJECTS

## WATER CISTERNS

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- 1 cistern at Mnyenzi center for the womens group
- 1 cistern at Hanje village in Mwache
- 1 cistern at Chigato clinic
- 1 cistern at Bofu pry school

## AGRICULTURE

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- Educational curriculum for agricultural programs implemented
- Completion of 100 rotational gardens
- Demonstration plot completed with new planting methodologies and new, drought-resistant crop varieties
- Perpetual chicken farm established
- Gala goat milk program for HIV mothers and babies

## SCHOOLS

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- Construction of 2 classrooms at Bofu primary school
- Construction of 2 classrooms at Miyani primary school
- Construction of 1 classroom at Peku village

## DESKS

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- 20 desks at Bofu primary
- 10 desks at Miyani primary
- 10 desks a Peku school

## DAM PROJECT

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- 1 dam at Peku Village

## EDUCATIONAL TRAINING

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- Training all teachers on pedagogical skills and new child friendly approaches to learning

## *A Christmas of Hope*

Every year around Christmas, we begin the same routine; finding the perfect gift for those we love, and deciding what that would be for ourselves. In the midst of shopping, final exams and end of the year parties and concerts, it is easy to get caught in the excitement of ribbons and bells and forget what Christmas is really about.

After every expedition to Kenya, we are reminded of the blessings we have and how the little we give can go a long way.

This year we want to celebrate Christmas by giving a different kind of gift. We want to give the gift of hope; a gift that will last for generations. You do not have to fly to Africa or build a school to give this life changing gift. Instead you can offer a helping hand in the form of a gift package for an individual or family in Mnyenzi Kenya. These gifts have been created based on the needs of the people and communities where Koins operates. The recipients are people ready to improve their lives, but in need of a little help from you. By purchasing a gift for them you are providing opportunities for a better life. This will be the one gift you give that will never rust, be forgotten or grow too small.

Take a minute with your friends and family this holiday season and decide what gifts of hope you want to give this year.

## *Students for Students*

Despite the many projects to build schools in Kenya, there are still many students meeting under trees in the extreme heat struggling to learn. The need for greater education resources has not slowed down, but is ever increasing. Many of us have been blessed to experience the joy of building a school for some of these youth, and have seen firsthand the value of education for a child.

This year we want to share this opportunity to provide greater education resources, with students in our own cities. Our new Students for Students program will provide schools with the opportunity and resources necessary to fundraise enough money to build a sister school bearing their same name in Kenya. Not only will the students on the other side of the world be eternally grateful, but the youth here in our communities will be changed individuals as they learn to reach out to a people far away. They will learn the value of service and see the results of hard work as they witness the fruits of their labor in the photos and stories of the school they fund in Africa. Help us not only build schools this year but build individuals here and abroad.

For more information and to have your local schools participate please contact us at [Camille@koinsforkenya.org](mailto:Camille@koinsforkenya.org).

## A Gift of Hope: Description of Donation

### *Rotational Garden \$100*

Rotational gardens are \*one-time sponsorships. The \$100 donation provides your sponsored family, of whom you will become familiar, with everything they need to create the garden that will provide their children with the nutrition they need for brain, muscle, and bone development. The rotational garden sponsorship provides all the seed, soil treatments, insect repellent, water, and protective fencing for goats, chickens, and curious little people.

### *Perpetual Chicken Program \$120*

Perpetual Chicken Program is also a \*one-time sponsorship program. Since farmers have very little, or no extra money, participation in this program can be difficult because of our requirements for housing, flock health, and initial feeding of the chickens. A one-time sponsorship of \$120 provides the initial chickens, housing for the birds, the necessary vaccinations against avian illnesses, and a feeding/watering start-up kit.

### *Desks*

Desks are the most popular item for the students that we provide. Those who have sat for years on the ground find a throne-like delight in sitting at a simple wooden desk. These hearty, wooden desks are made in our wood shop for \$25 and last for years, with dozens of students filling them everyday. You can buy one, or fill a classroom for \$600 (24 desks). Since three students fit comfortably in each desk, you're providing a long term, improved learning environment for a worthy child.

### *Gala Goat \$200*

Gala goat sponsorship will add one goat to the Koins/SRA herd. A \*one-time donation of \$200 purchases the goat, all vaccinations, and feed seed for the life of the animal. The babies who we save now will fill our classrooms in the future, so please help, if you can.

*\*One-time sponsorship - This means that your gift will provide the foundation for the distant future needs of a family. They only need a kick-start in these vital programs, and from then on self-reliance is attained through our ongoing instruction and hands-on assistance from in-country staff.*

### *Water Cistern \$2,700*

Water cisterns are a valuable commodity where water becomes scarce during 6-7 months of every year. Our cisterns last for many years, and we simply do not have enough to keep up with the growing student enrollment. At many times over the years our cisterns have been the difference in survival for innumerable children. A 35,000 liter cistern only costs \$2,700, and can be adorned with school or sponsoring company logos, family names, or a simple saying to our community as they pass.

### *Bore Hole \$3,500*

Bore holes will provide the best, long-term return for our dollars spent on water. For only \$3,500 we can drill a borehole deep into Kenya's aquifer, tapping into an almost endless water supply. One bore hole can provide water for over a hundred men, women, and children of a village, ending sickness and even death from the lack of water.

### *Student Scholarships*

Option 1) \$350 - Students who excel in the classroom need not be held back because their families do not have the capacity to pay school fees. Secondary students are required to pay \$350 per year for tuition, equivalent to a year's salary for many villagers.

Option 2) \$2,500 - The superstars who qualify for university (less than 2% of the students), are those who will make the most impact on our area in the future, are required to pay \$2,500 per year for tuition, books, room and board to attend one of several Kenyan universities.

Each sponsored student will write letters to their sponsors at least three times per year, sharing their progress, including a copy of their recent report cards, and where they rank in their class. These wonderful students recognize that their sponsors hold their future in their hands, and are grateful beyond measure that they have an opportunity to continue their education. Monthly donations for our university students makes it easy to sponsor one of our gifted children who have fought a valiant battle to arrive at this unbelievable pinnacle of diligence. You will not sponsor an empty name with the Koins for Kenya scholarships, but will develop a true kinship with a student whose education and training will impact the future of our village area.

### *General Donations*

A general donation will be used for the most immediate needs within each area.



# A Gift of Hope

## Donation Form

### Gift Description

<input type="checkbox"/>	Rotational Garden	\$ 100
<input type="checkbox"/>	Perpetual Chicken Program	120
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gala Goat	200
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Cistern	2,700
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bore Hole	3,500
<input type="checkbox"/>	Secondary Student Scholarship	350
<input type="checkbox"/>	University Student Scholarship	2,500
<input type="checkbox"/>	Classroom Building	6,500
<input type="checkbox"/>	Desk	25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Classroom of Desks (24)	600
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agricultural Donation (general support)	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Education Donation (general support)	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water Donation (general support)	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	General donation to Koins Projects	\$ _____

Total Donation: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Donor Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like this donation to be a gift for a loved one, fill out the following and a gift card will be mailed to them.

#### Gift Recipient Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Message: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mail donations by check to: Koins for Kenya, 252 N. Preston Dr., Alpine, UT 84004

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## 2011 Completed Projects

- Donation of a microscope to the Mnyenzi dispensary.
- The Tingey School of Gona where 3 classrooms have been constructed.
- Construction of teachers latrines at Gona
- Construction of a water cistern in Gona
- Construction of 60 desks at the Tingey School of Gona
- Construction of a water cistern at Mwache primary school
- Construction of a water cistern at the Windridge school at Chikomani
- Construction of a water cistern at Mnyenzi clinic
- Construction of the SMS staff house
- Construction of the SMS kitchen
- Construction of the Eagle Bay school at Miyani primary
- Construction of 15 desks for the Eagle Bay School
- Construction of 15 desks for Boyani school
- Construction of 15 desks for Chikwakwani school
- Construction of two tables and 15 chairs for teachers at the Tingey School at Gona
- Donation of Science Kits, which included microscopes for all schools within our service area

- Donation of baby blankets at the Mnyenzi dispensary, and other area dispensaries
- Construction of the Kevin Creek Dam
- Construction of the Crossfit School of Dzendereni
- Construction of 30 desks for the Crossfit School of Dzendereni
- Construction of a table and 12 chairs for teachers at Dzendereni
- Establishing of Koins Farm under supervision of the Institute for Self Reliant Agriculture, where rotational gardens, fish farming, chicken rearing, goat production and mushroom gardens have been established.

## Projects Underway as of 12/2011

- Establishing computer center at Mpirani pry school in partnership with Camara
- Establishing a computer center at Bofu secondary school.