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THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATING GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN

WHO ARE WE?

- The Florence Nightingale International Foundation (FNIF) is the charitable arm of the International Council of Nurses (ICN), which represents more than 15 million nurses working worldwide.
- FNIF supports and extends ICN's work and values, including a focus on the UN global development goals of gender equality, universal access to education and the empowerment of women.
- FNIF was founded in 1927 and is registered in the United Kingdom.

WHAT DO WE DO?

- In 2005, FNIF launched the Girl Child Education Fund (GCEF) to provide primary & secondary education for the orphaned daughters of nurses.
- Why daughters? Because when tragedy hits a family, it is highly likely the girls will be taken out of education.

- The probability of infant mortality is reduced by 10% for each extra year a girl stays in school as educated women have healthier, more educated, and fewer children.
- Educating girls and women reduces domestic /societal violence and HIV.
- Even one extra year of schooling leads to higher wages for girls and women.
- Increased income allows women and girls to lift up their families and contribute to the economic development of their communities.

For further statistics, please visit our website www.gcefcampaign.org

HOW WE HELP THE GIRLS

- We provide support for primary and secondary education, such as the provision of school fees, shoes, books and uniforms as required.
- We also provide practical assistance such as gas or solar-powered lights so the girls can work in the evening.
- Each GCEF beneficiary is teamed with a local Nurse Volunteer for advice and assistance through the challenges of school and life.



GCEF WORKS!

- The GCEF has supported over three hundred girls in four African countries.
- In 2015, it is currently supporting 115 girls in Kenya, Swaziland, Uganda and Zambia,

Key Statistics showing the Impact of GCEF

Parameter	Average Rate for Sub-Saharan Africa	Overall Rate for GCEF Participants
School Drop-out rates	20%	Under 1%
Teenage Pregnancy rates	About 25%	Under 1%
Proceed to Higher Education	Under 5%	35%

WHO HAVE WE HELPED – MEET SOME OF THE GIRLS

Eldest in family of 4 girls and a boy in Swaziland. Mother died in 2004 and father lost job so support was provided. In 2009 she said “education was the key to success and power” and is now an accountant. GCEF also assisted a younger sister to complete her studies, and who has now gone to university.

Nondunduzo from Swaziland



“I want to thank the GCEF. By allowing me to enjoy education on a secondary level, this programme simply saved me from a life of eternal poverty.”

Mercy Katindi Kituku from Kenya

“When my mother died, I thought my life had come to an end – but the existence of GCEF had come to make my future brighter.”

GCEF beneficiary in Swaziland



“The GCEF has made me realize that my dream will come true - to become a nurse like my mother and help other people. I would like to thank the thoughtful people out there whose hearts reached out to rescue and keep me in school with their funding. Studying, that is all I need to be a better and helpful person. God bless you all.”

GCEF beneficiary in Zambia.

OUR GOAL

- FNIF and GCEF is facing increased demands for support, both in Africa and further afield.
- We wish to increase the number of girls supported to at least 500 each year.



PARTNER WITH US – MAKE A DIFFERENCE

There are two ways that you can assist us:

- First, Annual Support may be donated to the current GCEF to ensure the 115 girls currently being supported in school in 2015 are able to graduate in due course.
- Second, in 2015 FNIF launched an appeal for donations to our endowment fund which will enable us to sustain, enhance and grow the Girl Child Education Fund in perpetuity, reaching a level of 500 girls a year in various geographies.

The Endowment Fund aims to raise \$10 million over five years. This would provide funding to cover the schooling of up to 500 girls per year.

DONATIONS FOR ANNUAL SUPPORT

can be made by the website, or by bank transfer or cheque as detailed below:

www.gcefcampaign.org

This accepts donations by credit card, or via a secure mechanism using PayPal.

BANK TRANSFERS:

Beneficiary: International Council of Nurses UBS

P.O. Box 2600, 1211 Geneva 2,

Switzerland Account Co-158.267.0

Swift = UBSWCHZH80A

IBAN = CH33 0024 0240 C015 8267 0

Clearing number: 240

FOR UK DONORS

Beneficiary: Florence Nightingale International Foundation

Address: NATWEST

Belgravia Branch, PO Box 3043, 141 Ebury Street, London SW1W 9QP

BIC: NWBK GB 2L

IBAN: GB88 NWBK 6007 2976 8027 28

Account: 76802728

BRANCH SORT CODE: 60-07-29

As FNIF is a registered UK charity, donations can be gift aided to enable FNIF to claim the tax benefit: please contact FNIF (benarroch@icn.ch) for a form.

FOR US DONORS

Details to be provided

For US Donors who desire charitable tax deductions, we are in the process of finalizing an affiliation with an IRS qualified charity.

BY CHEQUE

Order of GCEF

Posted to: The International Council of Nurses

3, place Jean Marteau,

CH 1201 Geneva,

Switzerland.

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BANK TRANSFERS:

Beneficiary: Florence Nightingale International Foundation – Endowment Fund

Address: NatWest bank

Account Number: 46753257

Branch sort code 60-07-29

BIC: NWBK GB 2L

IBAN: GB63 NWBK 6007 2946 7532 57

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If you are a company or another organisation which wishes to provide sponsorship or donations to the GCEF, then please contact the FNIF Endowment Campaign chairman Richard Flavell for further information, to discuss the potential benefits of corporate sponsorships, and how donations may be made. He can be contacted at RFlavell@gcefcampaign.org



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