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2021 Highlight

On October 16th 2021, Arizona Guide Right Foundation www.azguideright.org awarded a one year merit based college scholarship to Antonny Gichinga Njoroge.

Chairman of the Board, Ray LaStrape, Sr wished Antonny much success in his education endeavors.

Alice Hastings-James, Executive Director, KSF International, virtually presented a laptop to Antonny on November 16th 2021. She encouraged him to work hard, seek a mentor and volunteer for a good cause.

KSF's Nairobi volunteers Remmy and Calvin worked tirelessly to make this event possible.

Thanks to our dedicated, hardworking Nairobi team.

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November 30, 2021

Arizona Guide Right Foundation
c/o KSF International
USA

Dear Executive Board Members

Gratitude for College Scholarship Award

I was thankful to be awarded a merit based college scholarship.

My name is Antonny Gichinga Njoroge. I am 19 years old and a first year student at the Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronics Engineering. This was my dream course and am excited to know I'll pursue it without financial hardships.

Through your support via KSF International, my college fees arrears have been fully paid. On November 16th 2021, I was awarded a brand new laptop. Thanks to you, I can now attend all my online lectures uninterrupted and conveniently write my research reports.

With heartfelt gratitude!

Antonny Gichinga



EDMUND RICE CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE

"CARPE DIEM"

October 8, 2021

APPRECIATING KENYA SCHOLARSHIP FUND INTERNATIONAL (KSF) /EDMUND RICE CATHOLIC EDUCATION CENTRE (ERCEC) PARTNERSHIP

Edmund Rice Catholic Education Centre has been in partnership with KSF since 2020 in supporting three students through their secondary education at ERCEC.

The school is located in Embulbul, a semi rural area on the outskirts of Nairobi, Kenya. The school's mission is to provide educational opportunities for the local youth who are from very needy backgrounds.

The partnership with KSF has allowed the three students to focus fully on their studies without the distraction and interruptions caused by worrying about school fees and the pressure placed on the families already struggling. The impact of being a beneficiary of KSF has been noticeable with all three students placed in the top five in their Form1 exams.

The students have grown in confidence. They were recently elected to leadership roles by their peers and are progressing well in their Form 2 studies. This is a long way from the real possibility of not being able to continue with their schooling that they faced in early 2020.

COVID has had a huge impact on schooling across Kenya with a full closure of all schools from March to October 2020, then a limited return of some classes for the final few months. It was not until January of 2021 that schools fully re-opened.

ERCEC provided online learning opportunities for the students during the closure but this was severely restricted by the limited access of many families to the internet and technology required, thus when school finally re-opened both students and staff have faced a very condensed school calendar that is playing catch up in syllabus coverage. This has meant longer school days and even weekend classes that have placed considerable pressure on the students, teachers and families.

School breaks have also been reduced until the end of 2022 when the school calendar will return to its pre-COVID arrangement.

ERCEC APPRECIATES THE ONGOING SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT FROM KSF INTERNATIONAL HELPING STUDENTS BELIEVE IN THEMSELVES AND IN THEIR FUTURE PROSPECTS IS CRITICAL FOR SUCCESS. THANK YOU AND HAPPY 13TH BIRTHDAY TO AN EXCEPTIONAL ORGANIZATION.

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Leading by Example



KSF board member June Kikumu-Aquil partnered with Grace Vaughn for special project, "Kicks for Kenya" in May 2021. Grace is a junior cross country runner at Bishop McLaughlin Catholic High School in Tampa, Florida. Kicks for Kenya collected over 100 athletic shoes for St. Patrick's High School in Iten, Kenya.



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We are thankful to everyone who donated shoes for this worthy cause. We plan to have this shoe drive yearly.

St. Patrick's High School's Athletic Director and the students in Kenya are all very grateful. At times these athletes run barefoot through rough terrain because they cannot afford to buy sneakers. Each pair of shoes will bring smiles to a needy student. To assist with their education three athletes are also receiving an academic scholarship from Kenya Scholarship Fund International.



KENYA SCHOLARSHIP FUND INTERNATIONAL
Educating Kenyan High School Students One at a Time



A Word from the Executive Director

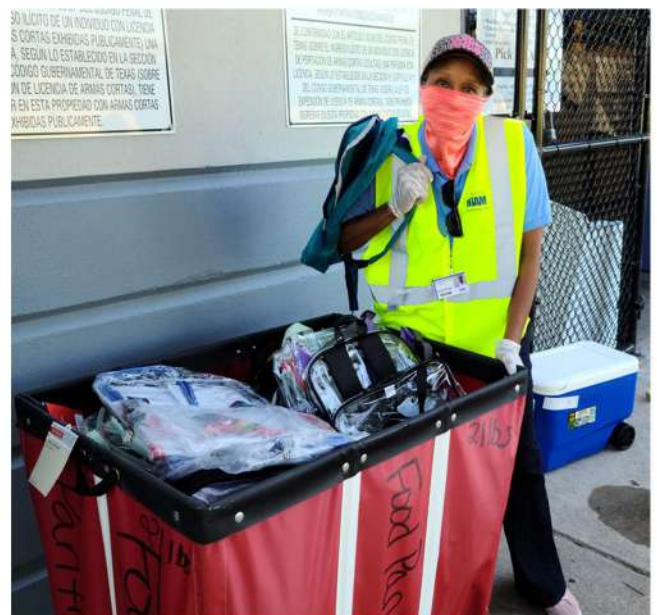
On November 19th 2021, I was honored and truly humbled to receive the Penrod Award for volunteering countless hours during Covid 19 at West Houston Assistance Ministries, a hub of Houston Food Bank.

I challenge all KSF International scholarship recipients to volunteer in their communities, for a good cause.

For a chance to win an award in December 2022, please track and provide proof of your volunteer hours to your KSF International School Champion.


Galatians 6:9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

A. Hastings-James



About Kenya Scholarship Fund



 KSFInternational
www.kenyascholarshipfund.org

MISSION

To provide scholarships to needy students.

ABOUT US

Kenya Scholarship Fund (KSF) International was formed by several professional Kenyans living in the United States and wishing to give back to their communities. KSF International is a volunteer-run organization, which relies on funding and support from family, friends, well-wishers and private fundraising events. The board comprises twelve volunteers who lovingly dedicate many unpaid hours to manage the affairs of the organization.

This non-profit organization is an Equal Opportunity Organization that does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, tribal affiliation, gender or religion.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

*From the
Kenya Scholarship Fund International
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