



# SOAR-Kenya, Inc.

(Schools, Orphans, and Relief )

Founded April 6, 2007

## MISSION STATEMENT

SOAR-Kenya, Inc. is based on a fundamental belief that all children deserve the opportunity to receive an education in a safe and nurturing environment. This belief is further supported by our goal of promoting independent and self-reliant educational institutions in developing countries.



**100 % of all donations go directly to aid schools and orphans in Kenya. SOAR-Kenya, Inc., is staffed completely by volunteers. Your contributions are tax deductible.**

## SOAR-Kenya, Inc. PROJECTS

Through the efforts of Don and Mary Hoffman and Ruth Hellenbrand-Gibbs, SOAR-Kenya, Inc. was created to better the lives of students at Hopewell High School, Barut Primary, and Children's Charity Center. We are making a difference and are proud that our schools shine as a beacon of hope in the Nakuru region of Kenya.

### First Year Projects:

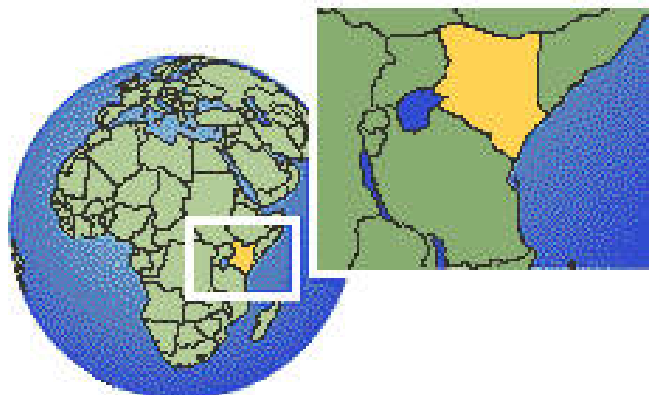
- Shipment of educational materials to Kenya-40 foot cargo container.
- Purchase of laptops, printers and a camera for Hopewell.
- Provided three Hopewell graduates with scholarships to college.
- Supported building of a latrine at Hopewell.
- Funded construction of a roof for Hopewell's library.
- Paid rent and teachers' salaries for Children's Charity Center (CCC) in Nairobi.
- Installed waterline at CCC in Nairobi.
- Bought tables and chairs for Hopewell.
- Purchased two acres of agricultural land and provided seed .
- Paying for lease of agricultural land adjacent to Hopewell.
- Supported sanitary napkin project.
- Developed sponsorship program for orphaned and/or impoverished children.

### Current Projects:

- We are providing three additional college/technical school scholarships for Hopewell graduates.
- We are assisting Hopewell to market their talents. Art work from students will be featured on our silent auction.
- Continue orphan sponsorship program (currently seven children are being sponsored).
- Providing funding for dormitory beds.
- Providing a pig for Barut Primary.

### Future Projects:

- Adult education and vocational training at Hopewell.
- Installation of internet service at Hopewell library.
- Develop a CD of students' musical talents at Hopewell.
- Planting fruit trees at Hopewell, Barut Primary and Charity Center.
- Installation of a drip irrigation system for intensive agriculture project.
- Increase sponsorship program.



## Letter from Martin (who is one of the young men currently receiving one of the six scholarships sponsored by Soar-Kenya )

Ladies and Gentlemen of Soar-Kenya, I salute you all.

I am well in my health and spirit. I am all grateful for all the support that you continue to send my way. It is through the financial support, among other forms, that I get from you that I have been able to go this far without problems related to school fees. All these kind and openhanded contributions towards the education of a boy most of you have never met continue to astound me to

this day. It is a great endeavor of love. May God bless you mightily according to His riches in heaven.

Another academic year has begun and I have already reported to school. This is my second year of study in this university; and this is the first of the two semesters of this academic year, 2008/09. I have already settled in school and started attending the lessons. They are, so far, exciting and interesting. I am doing a total of seven courses this semester. The semester has a total of 16 weeks. Each of the courses takes a total of three units per week.

I am keeping myself busy with things around. When I am not in class, I engage in activities of various clubs, associations and societies in which I'm a member.

Soar-Kenya, I am each day encouraged and empowered to know that there is someone who cares and loves me enough with no conditions. Such is only known to come

from God. I have experienced what it feels to be loved and cared for. It gives a lot of inspiration and challenge to work hard so that I may be able to help others now (in a small way) and in the future when I'm more empowered both economically and intellectually. I know and believe that "...to whom much is given must is expected..." I have received much and I plan to do exactly that in my life.

I have not enough to give you, and I know I can never be able to pay for your love and bigheartedness, but all I promise is to work hard enough in whatever I'm doing and never to let you down. I'll always pray for you to my Lord and my God. As you wake up every morning and lay down every evening, I want you to know that this son you continue to support is growing well, is very appreciative of your efforts, is praying for you, loves you, and plans not to let you down.



Ruth Gibbs presenting Nathan and Martin with a Soar-Kenya t-shirt.

## Letter from Vitalice Kahendah, Director of Hopewell High School

Hello Soar-Kenya,

I have been out of circulation for ages now and feel so bad I haven't written to Hopewell's greatest friends in such a long time. Please accept my sincere apologies for this lapse. How is Waunakee at this time of the year?

I hope SOAR-K is doing great and you are always in our thoughts and prayers. We are because you are! Nelly bought uniforms and shoes for the most desperate kids and they were most excited with this generous gift from the Catholic Women group. Please pass our sincere gratitude to these fine women from Verona for this selfless action that has brought permanent smiles in the faces of so many kids. Several were walking barefeet before this generous gift came along. Gifts from FOGO (did I get that right?) made the process of teaching and learning at the Hopewell Junior Academy a lot easier

and fun. The smiling faces of the kids tells it all. I am enclosing pictures of high school kids who were bought uniforms and those of the junior school with their gifts from FOGO.

Be blessed you kind people. Pass our regards to all BIG hearted people who make SOAR-K and who have immensely uplifted our lives.



## Would you consider sponsoring a child in need?



The children pictured are four orphans sponsored through Soar-Kenya. There are many more children in need of your help. Soar-Kenya will facilitate your sponsorship on a one-time basis or a monthly donation of \$24.00. This money will cover food, uniform, health care, and school supplies for several children.

If you are interested in this vital program which we hope to expand considering the overwhelming needs in Kenya, please feel free to contact Mary

Hoffman, 6230 Kuehn Rd, Waunakee WI 53597 or (608) 849-7119.

Please also check our web site at [www.soar-kenya.com](http://www.soar-kenya.com) which features individual photos and the children's stories. Aileen Fitzgerald has worked very hard to get this program up and running — please help her out by sponsoring a child in need.

# Three More Ongoing Projects!




This photo features an old classroom which was turned into a dormitory for 110 young girls. Notice their sleeping accommodations are blankets on a cement floor. Our goal is to provide beds and toilet facilities. The cost of one bunk-bed is \$69.00. This keeps 110 girls safe and allows them to go to school.



Last year's fund raiser put the rafters and roof on the only library in the City of Nakuru which is part of Hopewell School. The shipment from Soar-Kenya which arrived in June helped to furnish books and computers. Obviously, many things still need to be done!



These young men are working to plant the vegetable field that Soar-Kenya has rented for Hopewell and Childrens Charity Center. The one meal provided while the children are at school is, many times, the only food eaten that day. We hope to continue and expand these agricultural programs by irrigation and storage. The students and teachers work these fields together.



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# Please join us for Soar-Kenya's SECOND ANNUAL BUFFET AND SILENT AUCTION

When: Sunday, November 9, 2008  
Where: American Legion Post 360, 417 E. Main St., Waunakee, WI  
Why: Fundraiser/Silent Auction to support ongoing projects in Nakuru Kenya  
Time: Noon—5:00 pm Auction closes at 4:00 pm  
Cost: \$10.00 per plate, children eat free

The Legion has generously donated their facility for our function. The proceeds from the bar will support the Legion.

Please join us for a worthwhile, fun filled afternoon of activities!