

WFWP Las Vegas' Christmas Clothing Swap Fundraiser for *Schools of Africa*

Sera Hirano
December 29, 2023



As the year 2023 drew to a close, we were highly motivated to organize a fundraising event for the Schools of Africa Project. Some of our local women leaders have been involved in similar education projects overseas for many years, making the conditions of the Schools of Africa a stark reality to them and near and dear to their hearts.

We decided to organize a clothing swap, focusing primarily on children's clothing and considering how it could benefit young moms in our community. The idea was to bring the event to where people were already gathering.

We proposed hosting the event during the lunchtime following the Las Vegas Family Church service. The church was enthusiastic about supporting our "Christmas Clothing Swap." On December 17, 2023, we were given the opportunity to briefly mention the WFWP-sponsored schools and explain how the event would function. There was no price or value placed on the clothing - everything was free, and attendees were

encouraged to take as much as they liked. However, we requested that they consider making a year-end monetary donation for the Schools of Africa. Even if someone wasn't interested in the clothing, we asked for a five or ten dollar donation for the Schools of Africa.

We were deeply touched by the generosity of many donors who brought lightly used clothing and the positive response from people who contributed a few dollars to the giant coin jar we had prepared. By the end of the day, we had collected more than \$780.00 in our humble coin jar, and a few large sponsors had put in checks, all together totaling more than \$1,800.00. Half of the clothes found new happy homes, and we still had seven bags and four boxes of clothing to donate to the Salvation Army. It was a highly successful community service and fundraising event.

Supporters savored the cookies arranged on the table and found information on the nine different schools in Africa that WFWP supports.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the members of the Las Vegas Family Church for welcoming our event and to everyone who made donations.





SCHOOLS OF AFRICA



SUPPORT EDUCATION AND WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT IN AFRICA!

DONATION

☐ \$100.00 - .

☐ \$200.00 - .

☐ \$500.00 - .

☐ \$50.00 - .

☐ \$25.00 - .

☐ Other

☐ Show my support by making this a recurring donation

CONTACT INFORMATION

First Name *

Last Name *

Email *

Phone

BILLING ADDRESS

Country *

Address *

City *

State *

ZIP Code *

PAYMENT INFORMATION

☐ Savings

☐ Checking

☒ Credit Card

Credit or debit card *

Card number

Expiration

CVC



TOTAL RAISED: \$635,584

SCHOOLS SERVED: 9
SCHOOLS IN 8 COUNTRIES

DID YOU KNOW...

UNESCO reports 59 million primary age children are out of school, with 54% in Africa.

SCHOOLS OF AFRICA PROJECT:

In the early 90s, WFWP Japan launched international cooperation activities by Japanese overseas volunteers to serve all over the world. With willing hearts, these women went to nations with the greatest need and to neighborhoods in every corner of the world. They started schools, supported opportunities of education for those in need, and created opportunities for women and girls to build a promising future.

Inspired by their dedication, WFWP USA initiated the "Schools of Africa" project in 2001 to financially support 9 schools in 8 African countries founded by those faithful volunteers.

YOUR DONATIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

Since 2001, WFWP USA has sent over \$635,000 to these schools, which have empowered 24,000+ African graduates through education since 1994, and continues to enroll nearly 2,000 per year thanks to your support!

"When we give and forget, true love flourishes." - Mother Moon, Founder of WFWP



**New Hope Technical Institute since 1998
and New Hope Professional Training Center since 2023**



The institute was founded to help women and ex-soldiers after the Rwandan genocide become financially independent by equipping them with skills in culinary arts, dressmaking, and hairdressing. This has not only brought a sense of independence amongst the 2,501 graduates, but also a sense that they are loved and valued. In 2023, construction was completed on the New Hope Professional Training Center for graduates of the New Hope Technical Institute. [FIND OUT MORE](#)

ETHIOPIA

One Hope Garden Literacy Class since 2014

The One Hope Garden provides free classes to women and men in Amharic, basic math, basic English, family planning, business management, and childcare. Some families are starting to get out of poverty thanks to the classes. [FIND OUT MORE](#)

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

MAKE A DONATION

You can support this project by making a donation using the form above, or by mailing a check to:
WFWP USA, 481 8th Ave, Suite 608, New York, NY 10001

FUNDRAISE FOR SCHOOLS OF AFRICA

If you are interested in creating your own local fundraiser for the Schools of Africa, (even a tag sale makes a difference!) we have several resources to help you share about the project and its impact.

[Resources](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

To help organize or support a local fundraiser in your area, check out the [upcoming events page](#), or contact the [chapter nearest you!](#)

RELATED ARTICLES

[Read All](#)



Successful Christmas Clothing Swap Fundraiser for Schools of Africa

[Read More →](#)

Dec 29, 2023



"Gifts from the Heart" Schools of Africa Fundraiser in Northern California

[Read More →](#)

Dec 29, 2023



Empowering Education: WFWP Chicago Fundraiser for Schools of Africa Project

[Read More →](#)

Dec 29, 2023



"Africa USA Today Magazine" Honors Fannie Smith of WFWP Chicago

[Read More →](#)

Sep 7, 2023



481 8th Ave. Suite 608, New York, NY 10001 - 1 (212) 302-8837 - info@wfwf.us
Copyright © 2019, Women's Federation for World Peace USA - All Rights Reserved

[WFWP Leader Resources](#)

[Member Only Webinar Access](#)

[Back to Homepage](#)

[Privacy Policy](#)