



# Harambee USA Foundation

**2023**

## Annual Report



# OUR MISSION

Harambee USA Foundation is one of seven associate foundations that make up Harambee International, a non-profit organization designed to promote international solidarity and cooperation with sub-Saharan African countries. Harambee USA was founded in 2007 as a 501(c)(3) and is a member of the Better Business Bureau.

Our mission is to:

- Partner with local non-governmental organizations (NGO) in Africa to support grassroots sustainable educational and developmental initiatives that help Africans help themselves, and
- promote awareness-building programs for all ages which transmit the richness and complexity of African culture.

## **2023 Results**

Our NGO partners in Africa requested support for education, training and health needs, along with issues related to the lingering effects of the pandemic. Harambee USA was there to help where we were needed most. We made grants to initiatives in Cameroon, Kenya, Nigeria and DR Congo. Please read brief descriptions below on these accomplishments. We couldn't have funded them without the support of our steadfast donors.

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## 2023 PROJECT PARTNERS

### **CAMEROON** – Mogong “World Action for All” project



The village of Mogong is located in the far north region of Cameroon, where the majority of the population lives off subsistence farming, plagued by the consequences of climate change. Here, the challenges are diverse and complex: insufficient water, poor knowledge of agricultural techniques, inadequate resource management, and organizational and structural deficiencies. The “World Action for All” project aims to engage women and girls, the main actors of improving living conditions, in real and sustainable change. The project aims to train them in the start-up of income-generating activities, strengthening their entrepreneurial skills, supporting them in accessing micro-credit and contributing to their greater awareness of their rights. Harambee USA’s grant of €5,000 helped 100 women in 10 cooperatives.





## KENYA – Boystown, Ruai

Among the most serious problems afflicting the suburbs of Nairobi are the street children. These are orphans and disadvantaged wandering the streets, often involved in theft and robbery, and addicted to alcohol, smoking and drugs. The project aims to support the Rehabilitation Centre for Vulnerable Children that the Archdiocese of Nairobi has entrusted to the Congregation of Jesus and Mary. The center provides shelter, food and health care for boys 7-17 years old and offers scholarships for their education.

Harambee's grant of €10,000 over two years, helped to fund the education of 100 boys and various sports activities.



## NIGERIA – Mother Tallon school

The Mother Tallon School has brought much-needed development to the rural area of Abraka called Oria, Delta State. The school was founded in 2013 by the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate Sisters (PVMI), to teach local children learn how to read and write. Their parents are mostly poor and uneducated farmers who are still using primitive farming tools. The sisters encourage the parents, who want a better life for their children, to see that these young boys and girls receive an education. About 300 students attend Mother Tallon School. Although the school fees are very low, the majority of families do not pay anything and those who can afford them pay very little, between €3 - €8 (\$4 - \$8) per term. As a result, the sisters need money to buy supplies. Harambee's grant of \$5,000 helped purchase desks, laptops and musical instruments.





## DR CONGO – Institut Supérieur en Science Infirmières (ISSI), Monkole Hospital, Kinshasa



With an average health care spending per capita of only US \$21, DR Congo desperately needs skilled nursing care. Monkole Hospital's nursing school, ISSI, reached out to Harambee USA to help defray tuition costs for needy students. Harambee's 2023 grant of \$12,000 went towards partial tuition assistance for 20 aspiring nurses, enabling them to complete their college education and obtain their bachelor's degrees.



## TESTIMONIES

**KENYA** "The feeding program here at **Boystown Ruai** has perhaps contributed the greatest improvement in the lives of the children under the project. Before the project, they would only have plain porridge and sometimes skip the meal for lack of breakfast items. During the project, the kids were able to have breakfast every single day. Due to this most important meal of the day, the kids did not complain of small illnesses like stomach pain, headaches, colds, etc. as well as stayed awake in class and improved their grades due to improved concentration. Their health and even their physical appearance improved notably."

**Fr. Jean-Paul Sakoto, Director of St Charles Lwanga Boystown-Ruai**



A letter from Sister Celine, PVMI

*Dear members of Harambee USA Foundation,*

*I want to thank you for your generosity toward our school, Mother Tallon. The school year ended very well. We had a 100% pass rate in our external examination this academic year.*

*Our school came in second in the science competition in our country. School ended in July 2023 and will open again in Sept 2023. We are praying that students will not drop out this term because the country is in a terrible situation now. The cost of fuel is high so students who normally take a motor bike to school may not be able to afford it, and we don't have a school bus to help out. We are struggling to pay the teachers--thank God for the help we get from people with good will.*

*We utilized the grant we received very well. We bought six Chrome books, three laptops, 76 children's desks attached with seats, 48 desks and 50 chairs. We bought musical instruments. The children were very grateful and they prayed for the success of Harambee USA Foundation. The sisters are also praying for you.*

*Thank you and God bless.*

*Sister Celine*

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Harambee USA Foundation is staffed by volunteers. Our board members and volunteers are enthusiastic professionals from diverse nationalities and educational backgrounds. We are fully dedicated to the Foundation's mission for the benefit of Africa.

<b>President:</b>	Isabel Macalintal
<b>Secretary:</b>	Susan Trammell
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Corito Sevilla
<b>Members:</b>	Johanna Valiquette Esther Kimani Alice Benishyaka Marisu Rodriguez Nancy Bartke
<b>Advisory members:</b>	Richard Gaggioli Steven & Peggy Gabriel Terri Carron Marie Oates
<b>Finance Committee:</b>	Corito Sevilla, Isabel Macalintal
<b>Marketing Committee:</b>	Susan Trammell, Esther Kimani
<b>Social Media Associate:</b>	Margaret Kelsey
<b>Scholarship Committee:</b>	Johanna Valiquette, Susan Trammell, Isabel Macalintal
<b>Youth Committee:</b>	Johanna Valiquette



In July 2019, Harambee USA Foundation became an **Accredited Charity Seal holder**. We passed the 20 standards of the Better Business Bureau's Charity Accountability Program. Our supporters are reassured of our organization's integrity and full transparency.



# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**Harambee USA Foundation**  
**Statement of Financial Position**  
**as of December 31, 2023**

	<u>As of Dec 31, 2023</u>	<u>As of Dec 31, 2022</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Current Assets		
Bank account: Checking	\$ 81,210	\$ 62,935
Bank account: Savings	16,641	18,273
CD Term Deposit	10,215	-
Total Bank Accounts	<u>108,066</u>	<u>81,208</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>108,066</u>	<u>81,208</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS:</b>	<u>\$ 108,066</u>	<u>\$ 81,208</u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>		
Liabilities	-	-
Equity:		
Opening Balance	81,208	64,583
Net Income	26,858	16,625
Ending Balance,	108,066	81,208
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<u>\$ 108,066</u>	<u>\$ 81,208</u>

**Harambee USA Foundation**  
**Statement of Activity**  
**January - December 2023**

	<u>Jan-Dec 2023</u>	<u>Jan-Dec 2022</u>
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Donations - General	\$ 49,829	\$ 44,600
Donations -Tuition Assistance Program	8,990	13,125
Interest Revenue	218	3
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<u>\$ 59,037</u>	<u>\$ 57,728</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
<b>Grant Allocations</b>	<u>26,925</u>	<u>33,256</u>
Total Grant allocations	26,925	33,256
<b>Fundraising Expenses:</b>		
Food & Beverage	138	935
Facility Rental	150	300
Cultural Presentation		450
Promotional Materials		560
Postage & Mailing	250	478
<b>Total Fundraising expenses</b>	<u>537</u>	<u>2,723</u>
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>		
Annual Head Office Meeting	1,394	2,024
Computer Software, Website, Storage	1,159	980
Printing and Publication	816	602
Paypal Fees	464	528
Contract Service: Social Media	410	101
Bank Wire Transfer Fees	250	320
Regulatory Fees	75	75
Supplies	21	11
Computer Equipment		433
Miscellaneous	127	50
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>5,124</u>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>\$ 32,179</u>	<u>\$ 41,103</u>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<u><u>\$ 26,858</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 16,625</u></u>