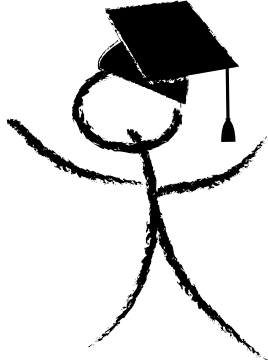


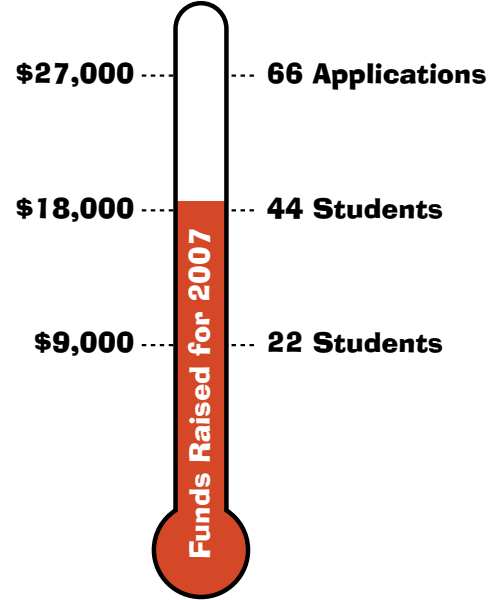
Helping Youth Through Educational Scholarships

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Help HYTES Send More Students to School in January 2007

This year was a very successful year for HYTES. We started with the thought that even sending two students to school would indicate a success. With the help of donors and volunteers, we awarded 23 scholarships for the 2006 school year and will be able to award at least 44 scholarships in January and February of 2007.



We do not want to stop at 44 scholarships though because we are expecting to receive a total of approximately 66 qualified applicants (including applications in hand and others we are expecting in the next couple weeks). Applicants are scored based on financial need, future goals and academic achievements.

We need to raise another \$9,000 to ensure that we will not have to turn any qualified applicants away. If you are interested in giving the gift of education this holiday season, please consider donating to HYTES so we can provide scholarships to as many of the 66 qualified applicants as possible.

You will find a donation form on page three of this newsletter or you can donate online at www.hytes.org/ch/.

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Helping Youth Through Educational Scholarships ("HYTES") provides scholarships to community minded youth in developing countries so they can advance and grow themselves, contribute to their community and benefit society.

HYTES paid school fees for 23 secondary students Kenya, Tanzania and Zambia for the 2006 School Year.

Please consider helping us to help more community minded high school students in developing countries. To donate, or for more information, visit our website.

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How Much Does Secondary School Cost?

According to our data from last year, one year of secondary school costs \$660 CAD in Kenya, \$269 CAD in Tanzania, \$300 CAD in Zambia and \$400 CAD in Guatemala. These figures are averages taken from small samples that, in many cases, include tuition, exam fees, uniforms, etc.

Related Links:

- www.hytes.org/resources/educationcosts.html
- www.hytes.org/resources/statistics.html
- www.unesco.org/education/

Essays from HYTES Scholars in Nairobi, Kenya

The following essays were written by secondary students whose education was sponsored by HYTES in 2006. We were very impressed with their stories and have decided to share them with you. We hope you enjoy them as much as we did.

Life in Kenya

by Irene Kwambuka
Form 1, Uthiru Girls High School

In Kenya life is so interesting because we live together as one. In Kenya people are united and you can't differentiate which tribe one is from or their social background.

In our country Kenya they introduced free education in primary schools and this has helped many people to get educated and therefore some of the people can earn a living from starting small businesses.

In some countries like Somalia there is poverty so some of them die because they lack enough food. I feel good because our government have looked for each and every means that they can get something to eat. They are also being sent clothes since they can't afford to buy some for themselves.

Since our third president Mwai Kibaki got attained the presidency he has brought many changes to our country like building roads, railways to support trade and also some industries have come up which helps the unemployed people to benefit and earn their living. This has reduced theft in our country

and now there is peace.

The problem that we have in our country is that we have many unemployed people. This has been brought up by population since we are overpopulated. It's not that they are not educated but others are very much educated. I love our country Kenya very much and my aim is to work hard in school, become a lawyer and do my best to maintain peace, love and unity in our country and I'll also make sure that our environment is well-conserved.

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Our Country Kenya

by Ann Ng'endo Kinuthia
Form 2, Uthiru Girls High School

Our country, Kenya, is now starting to really fight against corruption so that the disadvantaged people can have their justice at last. They have even established a Kenyan anti-corruption commission to help in fighting corrup-

tion. Many people have started having a positive attitude towards our country and are working hard to improve our economy. In fact our economy has improved by six percent.

I am proud to say that we have produced many athletes who are doing very well in international athletics games and are even becoming millionaires. Our school has now established an athletics club to help those who are talented. The Kenyan tourism industry is doing very well and the game parks have been managed properly. There are many wild animals which are rare in European countries but are found in Kenya eg. elephants, zebras, rhinoceros, lions, and even snakes. I wish that you would come to Kenya and see all these fascinating animals. You should also visit the Mamba village in Nairobi, where they are rearing crocodiles and roasting their meat; it is as delicious as forbidden fruits.

Our Nairobi streets are even cleaner than before and even the city council are very strict and are keeping an eye on anyone who is polluting the environment through smoking in the public places and streets. In Nairobi they have constructed a place for skating so that even the Kenyan citizens can enjoy skating. They have improved security in our country by recruiting many policemen who are sincere and honest and appreciate their work. The public transit vehicles have now been equipped with speed governors and safety belts and this has helped to reduce the road accidents on our roads.

My role model, Wangari Maathai, has inspired everyone in our country to plant trees so that we can avoid deforestation, draught and floods. Our school has started a tree planting program and all of us are dedicated to plant trees and take care of them.

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Buy a T-Shirt, Help a Student

HYTES T-Shirts are now available for purchase while supplies last. Please see the last page of this newsletter for the order form.

Adult Sizes: S, M, L, XL
Youth Sizes: M, L, XL
Member Price: \$15.00
Non-Member Price: \$20.00

Kenya – A Land Rich in Diversity

by Jackline Atieno Magak
Form 2, Uthiru Girls High School

My country Kenya is a land of diversity. It is a land full of peace, love and harmony established among its people and those from other parts of the world.

Kenya as I naturally know it is a land that knows no boundaries. Its people are very hospitable. Whenever one is planning to visit this very spectacular country be sure of getting much, much more than you expected. If you are touring various national parks eg. Maasai Mara National Park, be sure to encounter not just the beasts of the jungle such as the big five: elephants, lion, rhino, buffalo and the leopard, but also be in for entertainment from musical bands who will take you through the night with very melodious voices as well as well played musical instruments that makes you feel secure, relaxed and at home after a long day of traveling.

Kenya is also a land rich in culture. This is well portrayed by different cultural communities such as the Maasai, the Kikuyi, the Luo and so on. The Maasai are the pastoralists, the Kikuyu occupation is mainly in agriculture, while the Luo are fishermen in Lake Victoria. To say the truth, Kenya has taken tremendous effort in fighting corruption for the past five years. It has also taken an active part in the fighting of poverty in the country by providing employment opportunities for its citizens as well as improving the living standards of those living in slums by building or providing better housing facilities.

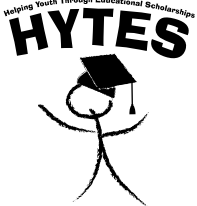
The Government has also repaired roads that were initially in very bad conditions and constructed those that were not initially there. It has provided lighting in streets to ensure safety during the night.

Kenya is also in the leading role of fighting the HIV/AIDS pandemic by educating its citizens on the importance of abstinence and also providing free VCT services countrywide for its people to have their status tested.

Kenya is also safeguarding the right of every citizen through the Kenya National Commission of Human Rights (KNCHR) that ensures the rights of each citizen is safeguarded, this is portrayed by the Government taking a leading role in providing free primary education countrywide.

Kenya is also rich in many sports activities such as athletics and ball games. Kenya is a leading country in the world in producing athletes who prove to be very, very successful. Some of these athletes are Paul Tergat and Catherine Ndereba, male and female respectively.

Despite Kenya being among the third world countries its economy is improving day by day and this is proven by the economy improving by 6% for the past five years.



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Membership: \$25.00 Yes No

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