What is 'Schools For Africa'?

Schools for Africa became the Society's first official international project in 2010. Since that time, members have donated approximately \$445,134.90 since the inception of the partnership with UNICEF USA. Currently the project works with 21 countries in sub-Saharan Africa including 21 countries: Botswana, Burundi, Chad, Cote d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritania, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Somalia, South Africa, Tanzania, and Uganda. The SFA mission involves providing access to quality basic education for children, focusing on girls, orphans and other vulnerable youngsters. UNICEF works through this project with governments, local authorities, communities and other partners to:

- Foster community participation in school management
- Build and improve classroom buildings and equipment
- Create safe and protective environments where children can learn and play (CFS, Child-Friendly School programs)
- Provide access to clean water and separate sanitation facilities for boys and girls in schools
- Supply exercise books, pens, proper furniture and other school and sports materials
- Train teachers to provide children with quality education and basic life skills
- Educate children about proper hygiene and HIV prevention: this knowledge is passed on to siblings, parents, and the community at large
- Provide other interventions, including but not limited to health checkups, immunization and scholarships
- · Insure a stimulating start in life to children below age five

According to UNICEF's most recent annual report on the Schools for Africa project, major gains have been made in:

- Early childhood development
- · Access and retention to quality primary basic education
- Non-Formal Education

- HIV prevention in school
- Education in emergencies

UNICEF stands for The United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund and it was founded in 1946 by the United Nations to meet the emergency needs of children who were in post WW II, Europe, and China.

- -Its focus was to address the long-term needs of children and women in developing countries everywhere
- -It saves and protects the world's most vulnerable children, working ensure child rights and providing health care, immunizations, nutrition, access to safe water and sanitation services, basic education, protection and emergency relief.

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Develop-a plan of action/-Continue supporting SFA by helping disadvantaged Children in Africa

Belong:

Knowledge-Focus on Indiviual issues, interviews, information about children/youth in Africa and foreign countries

Build: through **G**iving-Through Donations by individual or by raffles/gift baskets –World Fellowship Money Collected