



Fighting poverty
by educating girls

Women's Global
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Educating a girl has a multiplier effect that positively influences the earning potential, health, and life opportunities, not just for herself, but for her family and community for generations to come.

Women's Global Education Project



Women's Global Education Project (WGEP) believes that universal education, gender equality, and the empowerment of girls and women are critical to a society's development.

Our mission is to empower young people in rural areas of sub-Saharan Africa, particularly women and girls, through education to build better lives and foster equitable communities.

Since 2004 WGEP girls' education and literacy programs have impacted over 8,000 people in 65 of the most impoverished communities in Kenya and Senegal.

We believe that every child should have the opportunity to attend school and obtain a quality education.

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Programs and Impact



Literacy is the foundation of all learning. Children who have strong reading and writing skills are more likely to succeed throughout their education, break the cycle of poverty, and be equipped to realize their full potential.

Our Sisters Read

In partnership with USAID, this four year program improves early grade literacy for nearly 7,000 students in 52 schools throughout the Fatik region of Senegal

- Weekly school visits led by well-trained, dynamic staff and teachers create lifetime learners through engaging, age appropriate, and innovative reading and writing activities
- Mobile libraries and computer labs provide access to high-quality learning materials and resources: 10,000 books and magazines, 50 tablets, and 50 computers
- Community education programs train 2,000 adults in literacy skills to increase their life chances and provide the opportunity to serve as role models for their children

Sisters to School

Acknowledged by the United Nations Girls' Education Initiative (UNGEI) as an innovative model of best practice in promoting gender equality in schools

- 3,000 elementary and secondary school scholarships to girls in rural Kenya and Senegal
- 90% retention rate and fewer health absences over the past six years
- 15% more girls attending school
- 1/3 of WGEF scholars place in the top 10 of their class
- 1,300 girls have refused Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) through our Alternative Rite of Passage program in Kenya
- Measurable change in attitude and support towards girls' education and women's rights in over 60 villages in Kenya and Senegal

