

WHO WE ARE

Canopy Life International is a U.S. 501c3 which partners with Canopy Life Academy, an NGO and residential school serving vulnerable children in Kenya, East Africa.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to empower vulnerable children to become Godly innovators who can end the cycle of poverty in their communities.

We are committed to a future where these students become agents of transformation who bring innovation to Kenya. Through a holistic approach, we empower them with skills that will transform the spiritual, social and economic systems in Kenya.

THE CHALLENGE

Students from rural communities in Kenya face insurmountable odds without a structure of support. Limited opportunities and resources leave them unprepared to be a productive part of the social structure. Less than 50% of rural students in Kenya will complete high school and current national curriculums are not providing students with the skills to create jobs and think critically.



36%

of the country lives below the poverty line.



Less Than

50%

will complete high school.



There are

LIMITED

job opportunities, even with a college degree.

OUR SOLUTION

Canopy Life Academy strives to provide a holistic approach to leadership development. By focusing on critical thinking skills, spiritual development, and emotional healing, we provide students with the tools they need to overcome the barriers they need to become agents of change.



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As of January 2023, we serve 48 students in 5 grades. Primary and junior high students are served on our 2-acre residential camps in Koma Hill, Kenya, while secondary students attend local high schools and are provided innovation workshops, spiritual guidance, and counseling services as extra-curricular programs.

WHERE WE ARE GOING IN THE NEXT 5 YEARS



ADD

60 residential students, tripling our population.



BUILD

two academic facilities, two residential building and an administrative facility.



PURCHASE

six acres for campus expansion.



INCREASE

staff capacity to accommodate growth.

We believe the next phase of our campus growth will entail at least one additional residential building, an academic facility, space for innovation and arts to take place, and a minimum of four more acres of land.

ROTARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The local community of Koma Hill - surrounding Canopy Life Academy- has been under severe water shortages. Local wells are few and the owners are unwilling to collaborate with the community to meet their needs for accessible, quality water. After extensive discussions with the local leadership, **Canopy Life has entered into a partnership with the Koma Hill community to wholesale water from their well/borehole to the local community at a discounted rate.** These funds will cover the additional maintenance costs of the borehole as well as provide a minimal revenue stream for the school.

Currently, Canopy Life is providing water to its 30 residential students and 100 homes in the community using a temporary solution: an elevated water tank on adjoining property. However, as the school and the community grow (estimated growth is 500 homes), this solution is not sustainable. For this reason, a portion of the planned campus expansion will include water tanks, a water tower and a distribution system that can scale with the campus and community.

For this reason, **Canopy Life is seeking to partner with Rotary International to raise the needed funds to complete this community water project.** The lead local club is the Rotary Club of Loganville, District 6910, and the International partner we are

seeking to enlist is the Rotary Club of Embakasi or Machakos in District 9212 Kenya. The Loganville Club has dedicated \$5,000 toward our goal of \$35,000 and this \$5,000 is being matched by the chair of the Loganville Club's global grant initiative, Darrell and Patricia Watson. We are seeking an additional \$10,000 of local support so that we in turn can seek the remaining funds via the district and global rotary organization.

Your assistance with this water initiative will not only ensure that Canopy Life campus expands to serve more students, but that the surrounding community has access to a quality water necessary for a growing and thriving community for decades to come. Anything raised over the \$35,000 goal will be applied to the greater expansion project listed below. Thank you in advance for your assistance with this community water project.

Water Tower & Water Tanks	\$35,000
Sewage Treatment Unit	\$30,000
Borehole Treatment Unit	\$34,000
Septic tank and associated works	\$5,000

TOTAL PROJECT COST:\$104,000