## KASIMU EDUCATION FUND (KEF) 2018 Annual Report ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND PROPOSED FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

#### **History**

Malawi is one of the poorest nations in the world. The population in Africa is expected to double by 2050. Access to education is regarded as the best approach to mitigate this cataclysmic population explosion. Bob and Mary Burns met Fr. Peter when he was enrolled in a PhD program at the Graduate Theological Union (GTU) in Berkeley. KEF was organized in 2005 by Mary and Bob, to support Fr. Peter's scholarship program for Kasimu Secondary School students. Secondary School education developed late in Malawi, because of little effort or neglect in secondary education during the colonial era. Fr. Peter was the only graduate of Kasimu Elementary school to attend advanced education. He provided assistance to his brothers and sister who then completed advanced education. Mary and Bob joined Fr. Peter in his scholarship efforts and also chose to set goals that would provide the capital improvements, organizational structure and financial resources to enable the schools to become self-sufficient to end the dependence upon charity. The initial goals to establish economic resources included the construction of adequate school buildings and support programs which include a food program to combat malnutrition.



Mary and Bob Burns

#### **Projects**

KEF provided funding for the construction of a new village church (with major labor support by villagers), three primary school buildings, three secondary school buildings, a daily nutritious meal to feed 200 preschool and 2,033 primary school students. KEF also provides secondary school scholarships for 250 students and college scholarships. KEF has fully funded the operation of a preschool to prepare students for primary school.

#### Accomplishments

In 2005, only three graduates of Kasimu School had attended secondary schools. As of 2018, 250 students are enrolled in secondary schools. After completing teacher training college, 17 secondary schools graduates have returned to Kasimu Schools as teachers. Some Kasimu secondary school graduates are pursuing advanced degrees in: nursing, journalism, and teaching.

#### **Partners**

Since 2005, Kasimu Education Fund (KEF) is a U.S. tax-exempt charity (501(c)(3)), KEF and is supported by 500+ donors. Capital improvements have been supported by foundations such as: The One Dollar for Life, The Katz Foundation, The Loyola Foundation, The Firelight Foundation, The Lowney Foundation, The Mountain View Firefighters' Association and local service clubs. The accomplishments listed in this report could not have been attained without the support of our donors.

#### **2019 Goals**

KEF's goal is to establish revenue generating programs for the Kasimu School. A drip irrigation system for agriculture to provide a source of food. A grind mill to process the grain and provide revenue. This will put the school on a path to financial independence and food security. Priorities include funding for the KCDSS Science Lab and distribution of the Days for Girls hygiene kits.

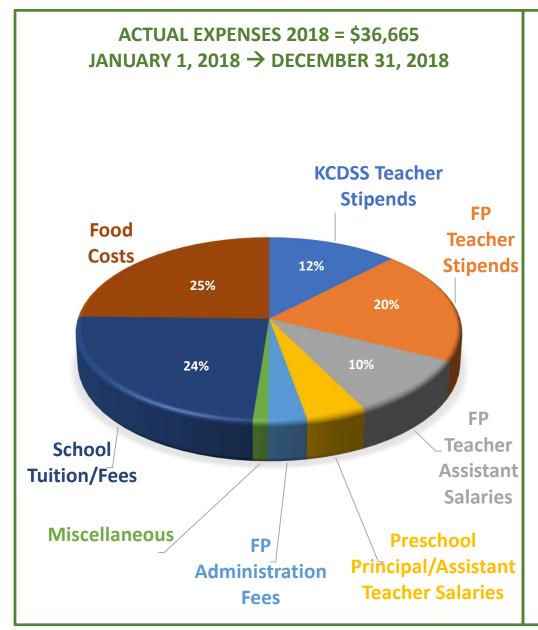
## Kasimu School Expenses - 2018-2019 School Year

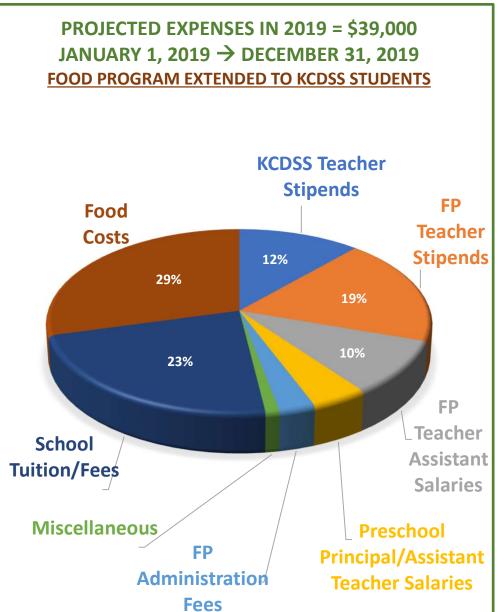
- The Malawi government established free primary education for all children in 1994.
  - The Malawi government Ministry of Education provides the salaries of primary and secondary school teachers
- KEF funds the Kasimu Preschool 200 students
  - Preschool food program
  - Preschool principal and teacher salaries
- KEF funds the Kasimu Primary School (FP) expenses: 2,033 students
  - Primary (FP) food program

FP = Full Primary (1st to 8th grades, elementary school)

- Primary school (FP) principal and teacher stipends
  - The purpose of stipends is to elevate the status of teachers in the community
- Primary school (FP) teacher assistant salaries
- Primary school (FP) security guards, stores manager, communications director salaries
- KEF funds the tuition for secondary school 250 students
  - Kasimu Community Day Secondary School (KCDSS), student tuition, assistant teacher salaries, and teacher stipends
  - Masongola and Muluguzi Secondary Schools, student tuition only
- KEF funds tuition fees and expenses for Kasimu graduates attending college
  - DAPP Teacher Training College (Development Aid for People to People)
  - Chiradzulu, Machinga, and Blantyre Teacher Training Colleges

### KEF EXPENSES FOR KASIMU SCHOOL

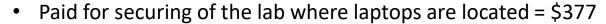




FP = Full Primary (1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grades, elementary school) KCDSS = Kasimu Community Day Secondary School (high school) \*KEF Board Members are not reimbursed for their time or travel expenses. 100% of donations to KEF go towards projects

## 2018 Project Expenses = \$31,000

- Fabricated and delivered 70 chairs
  - 50 wooden chairs for high school
  - 20 wooden chairs for elementary school
  - Funded by Katz Foundation = \$3,554

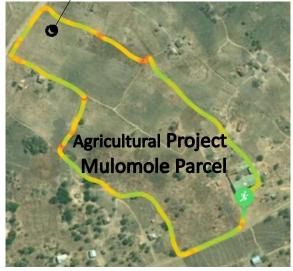


- Students are now able to access computers
- Purchased HP Laserjet printer for FP and KCDSS = \$200
- Agricultural Project (initiated 2018)
  - Drilled a well on Mulomole parcel ¾ mile from Kasimu School
    - Well yield = 24,000 liters/hour: Cost = \$11,089
    - Funded by One-Dollar-for-Life (ODFL) and Loyola Foundation
- Grind Mill Project (initiated 2018)
  - Purchased 5 shipping containers = \$2,550 ea = \$7,437.30 (balance, 7/24/18)
  - Purchased 12 Surefoot footing for grind mill building foundation = \$5,258.25
- Purchased cement for completion of the floor in the High School Principal's house = \$370
- Provided funding for firewood to "Fire" bricks to construct an additional FP classroom \$1,000 Principal's House
- 230 kits fabricated and assembled by San Francisco Peninsula Days for Girls
  - Kits will be delivered to Malawi in 2019
  - Funded by Katz Foundation and fabricated by Days for Girls volunteers = \$1,400



**Chairs** 





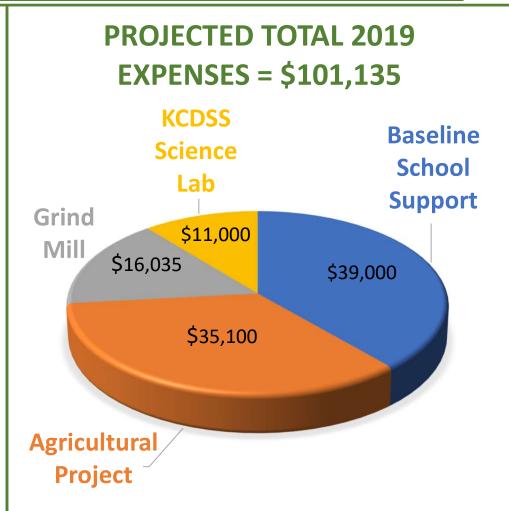






## Projected Total Expenses in 2019

Baseline Kasimu School Support	\$39,000
Agricultural project	
Solar DC submersible pump; CRI Pumps S4P-10/2	20 \$7,000
Drip Irrigation	
• 8 – 2,500 liter tanks	\$1,826
• 8 – 4½ meter towers	\$8,591
<ul> <li>Concrete for tower footings</li> </ul>	\$6,980
<ul> <li>450 meters of 75mm PVC piping manifold</li> </ul>	\$2,902
• Subtotal	\$20,300
<ul> <li>Tubing, valves, filters, fittings, etc.</li> </ul>	\$7,000
• <u>Transportation</u>	\$800
• Subtotal	\$35,100
Grind Mill Project	
<ul> <li>Assemble three 40' shipping containers on Surefoot footings</li> </ul>	
• Labor	\$1,000
<ul> <li>Finish interior of Grind Mill Building</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Wiring, dry wall, windows, doors, ceiling tile,</li> </ul>	
lights, solar panels, batteries	\$10,000
Electric grind mill and electric huller	\$5,03 <u>5</u>
<ul> <li>Subtotal</li> </ul>	\$16,035
Equip KCDSS science lab	\$11,000
• *Days for Girls kit distribution and health training	\$0
• Total	\$101,135



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## Agricultural Project

## Grind Mill Project





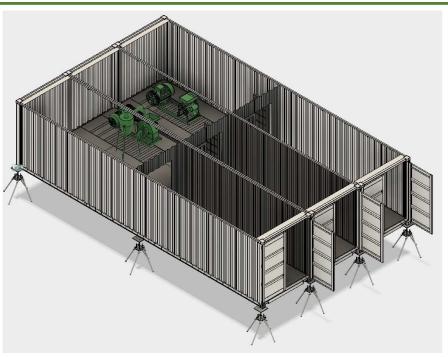


#### 2018 Accomplishments

- Mulomole parcel selected
- Well drilling completed

#### 2019 Goals

- Provide student food security
- Complete water storage and drip irrigation system
- Estimated costs \$35,000



#### 2018 Accomplishments

- \*Preliminary design of grind mill complete
- Purchased shipping containers and Surefoot foundation footings

#### **2019 Goals**

- \*Complete design and construct grind mill
- Install grind mill and huller
- Initiate operation
- Estimated Cost = \$16,035

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## Science Lab KCDSS





#### 2017/2018 Accomplishments

- 3<sup>rd</sup> classroom building completed
- \*Computer lab laptops delivered and lab room secured
- \*Home economics lab sewing machines supplied

#### 2019 Goals

- Fund acquisition of science lab materials
- Estimated costs \$11,000

## Days for Girls (DfG)

KEF Partner and All Volunteer Team





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#### 2018 Accomplishments

- \*Completed 230 DfG hygiene kits 2019 Goals
- \*Distribute kits, Teach health/hygiene
- \*Instruct students on construction of kits

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- We would like to extend a warm THANK YOU to our benefactors and our volunteers that have supported KEF. With your help, we have been able to sustain our commitment to improve access to education and the quality of education at Kasimu School in Malawi.
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