

# Creating Opportunities 2013/14 Annual Report



 Kageno



## Our Mission

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To transform impoverished communities into “places of hope and opportunity.”

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## A Letter from our Executive Director Frank Andolino



With gratitude to our friends and donors for your support, we proudly present our newly formatted Annual Report.

We've combined 2013/2014 and have a fresh, new look that illustrates the great success we have experienced in all of our program areas. We also recreated our website this year so that it clearly demonstrates how powerfully our work impacts the communities we serve.

For a private company, the main benchmark of success is profitability. For a non-profit organization like Kageno, success is measured primarily in two ways:

1. Our ability to inspire donors to support us so we have the funds necessary to accomplish our mission to transform impoverished communities into places of opportunity and hope.
2. Effectively fulfilling our mission through skillfully implementing programs in our self-sustaining four key development areas of Ventures, Health, Environment and Education.

As you read through this annual report, you will see our success on both fronts highlighted throughout. Of note this year are the new kitchens that were opened to expand our feeding programs on Rusinga and Mfangano Islands in Kenya's Lake Victoria. With this exciting development, we now

provide a nutritious meal to more than 4,500 school children in Kenya and Rwanda. In addition, Kageno is the largest employer in Banda Village, Rwanda providing women, former poachers and others in the community with training, an income and sense of pride in their employment--over 3,000 workdays in our Agricultural Development program alone.

As we look to the future, we are constantly reviewing our projects and key performance indicators to see where and how we can improve. We are investigating changes to our Health Care program to further develop the services we provide to pregnant women and their newborn infants. Crop diversification continues in order to grow the variability of the local diets with more nutritious alternative foods, as well as to provide opportunities to earn income through the sale of excess crops. Clean water access is expanding and additional sanitary facilities are planned.

We hope that our annual report and new website will inspire you to continue to support the transformational work we are doing.

It is a privilege and honor to work with so many community partners, dedicated on-site employees, and our loyal volunteers. I offer you my deepest gratitude, for it is people like you, dedicated to motivate for positive social change in the world, that help us achieve our mission to empower these communities to become places of hope and opportunity.

Sincerely, Frank Andolino

	2013	2014
Total - Private Support	\$236,321.17	\$163,643.92
Total - Grants	\$195,743.00	\$302,025.87
Total - Income	\$432,064.17	\$465,669.79
Total Expense - Kenya	\$101,917.00	\$99,115.80
Total Expense - Rwanda	\$121,467.00	\$88,760.20
Total Expense - Worldwide	\$49,279.55	\$43,153.30
Total - Expense	\$272,663.55	\$231,029.30

Program Expense Breakdown		
	Kenya	Rwanda
Education	\$80,527.09	\$74,249.63
Health	\$61,659.53	\$76,786.83
Ventures	\$6,946.41	\$119.00
Environment	\$2,101.00	\$4,581.00
Construction	\$13,653.06	\$0.00
Project Management	\$36,145.71	\$54,490.75
Total	\$201,032.80	\$210,227.20

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# KAGENO – TEN YEAR IMPACT

## Education



*There is no more effective way to transform lives than through education.*

Early education has always been an essential part of our model since it is a key time in the development of a child. Our first nursery school began under the shelter of a thatched roof. In ten years, we have built three nursery schools with feeding programs, libraries, latrines and lots of recreational space.



Kenya and Rwanda served more than 2000 children each school day.

In 2013 / 2014, 746 children attended our schools. The addition of a new community kitchen on Rusinga Island, Kenya will expand our feeding program allowing us to provide a hot nutritious meal to an additional 1288 local children in 2015. In total our feeding programs in both

The Education program is expanding with the student's parents showing an increased interest in our adult education initiatives. Our agricultural training program hosted over 100 training sessions over the last two years, reaching more than 1,500 farmers and small scale craft initiatives in Kenya are bringing much needed income to women in the village.

# 2,337

children attended our three-year nursery school program





*Access to basic health care is a fundamental human right.*

Kageno's project site on Rusinga Island, Kenya began in 2003, with one community health worker. Since then, we have built a full-scale health clinic there and in Banda Village, Rwanda. The Health program provides medical care, disease, health and nutrition education, pre-natal care, family planning information, immunizations and voluntary counseling and testing for HIV/AIDS for the communities.

In 2013 / 2014, we treated over 9,688 people at the Banda clinic alone. Most patients are women and children. Our immunization campaigns, run in partnership with the Ministry of Health, inoculated 4041



children and our Voluntary Testing and Counseling service's were sought by more than 3433 individuals.

We believe that access to healthcare is a fundamental human right that everyone deserves and that health education is an important part of enabling healthy communities to thrive. During 2013 and 2014 more than 3,000 individuals received education on the important topics of family planning and prenatal care, proper use of medication and HIV prevention.

# 25,385

people received medical care at our clinics





*A thriving natural environment can be a developing community's most valuable asset.*

The environmental programs focus on reforestation, agriculture, clean water and sanitation systems. Modern agricultural techniques and bio-diverse gardens diversify crop yields and improve soil quality. Crops produced are incorporated into our feeding program with the excess sold at the market.



family nutrition and can provide a source of income.

Over 1,215 trees were planted throughout Banda Village in Rwanda in 2013 and 2014 and we distributed more than 300 seedlings and 1,796 kg of healthy fruits and vegetables to families in need. The addition of a fruit-producing tree improves

In partnership with Peace Corps Rwanda, we completed the construction of 32 latrines for families in need. The latrines were strategically placed in the areas where they were needed most and extended our clean water project to include six additional water taps.

22,217  
trees planted





*Income generating programs give individuals the power to create change for themselves and their community.*

Kageno's Income Generating programs enable community members to make a living through a variety of initiatives. Our focus has been to create income generation through micro-loans, the development of craft products and providing workday opportunities.



Kageno's micro-lending program in Kenya was initiated in 2007 and now has expanded to include 29 active loans that support a variety of local businesses in a wide range of activities, from making and selling soap and baskets to the purchase and drying of fish to sell at local markets.

The agricultural, livestock, nursery school, and feeding programs supported by Kageno and run by members of the local communities created 4135 workday opportunities for individuals to earn much needed daily income.

Future plans include teaching youth entrepreneurial skills and helping farmers improve their agricultural techniques to increase their crop yield.

# 53,996

workday opportunities were created







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