



BEAM Kenya is a nonprofit organization that equips children to overcome adversity through education and psychosocial support.

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The hope of transformation

Transformation was the word our team chose for 2020. When I think of transformation, Mama Alice* is the first person who comes to mind. We met her in 2016 when she was trapped in the cycle of poverty and addiction. She was so numb that she forgot about her own kids. It was painful to witness, and transformation seemed impossible.

We saw a chance to fill in the gap so that Mama Alice could spend more energy on her recovery. BEAM was able to provide educational scholarships and safe housing for her kids. Our team provided addiction counseling and encouragement, visiting her regularly. For years, we did not see any tangible impact. But last year, things slowly began to change. She removed herself from the slum environment and created a good support system. She got sober, found casual work, and started providing for her family. Eventually, she was reunited with her kids. During their recent visit, our social work team found a Mama Alice who is now vibrant, healthy, and full of life.

It is tough to navigate a global pandemic and hold out hope for big, transformative change, but this year taught us that transformation is still possible even in the most dire circumstances. It takes resilience, something we are carrying with us into 2021.

Holding out hope,
Colleen Costigan
Founder & Director of BEAM Kenya

*name changed to protect privacy

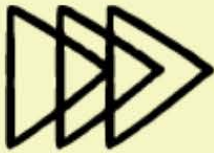
Year-End Giving

For gifts to count toward 2020 charitable giving, they must be given online by December 31 at 11:59 pm Pacific time or postmarked by December 31 if giving by check.

RESILIENT

As we look to 2021, we want to see a generation of resilient Kenyan youth. Partner with us by giving toward our year-end goal of **\$40,000** to help make this vision a reality.

Here's a look at the impact.



BOOST

\$2,500

Provides care and relief packages that include blankets, mattresses, and mosquito nets to 50 families in the local slum



ADVOCATE

\$8,500

Covers cost of preventative programs in 10 schools about safe sex and abstinence, membership in the Child Safety and Protection Network, and child safety trainings for BEAM Kenya staff and teachers



EDUCATE

\$21,500

Covers 14 new children in our scholarship program, tutoring, costs of home visits, and support toward computer education, extra supervision, and health insurance for local school teachers



MEND

\$7,500

Covers the cost of training for staff by the Trauma Healing Institute, holding trauma healing sessions with 5 local organizations, and facilitating 400 individual counseling sessions

HOPE SHINES BRIGHT.



A word of thanks

I am thankful to our donors. The BEAM Kenya family would not be here without you. The generous spirit that you have shown to us is huge. No words can explain the look on the faces of the families who received gifts and food items through the COVID-19 and flood relief program in April. I am also thankful that due to your generosity, the BEAM transitional house is able to provide housing and safety for vulnerable children.

As we smile during this period of thanks, I am grateful for each of the BEAM family members. You bring us hope and light. Much love.

Olive Cherop
Project Manager,
BEAM Kenya