



FOR MANY OF US, this year has been one filled with obstacles. It's made us more aware than ever of our priorities, taught us to stay flexible in the face of an unpredictable world and reaffirmed what matters most. That's as true in the remote areas of Tanzania as it is in the city or town you call home.

The pandemic has reinforced the importance of our work with our partners in Tanzania, and we've reconfirmed our commitment to these communities' most fundamental needs: health care, clean water, education for their children and opportunities to empower women. Together, we're working to create a healthier, safer future for our Tanzanian friends. The next step on that path is the medical center we're building now.

We are committed to continuing to work with the communities and providing them the services and facilities they have requested.

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# OPPORTUNITIES

Challenges not only reveal what we're capable of, they help us focus on what matters most: our health, our communities and the future of our children.

Lack of healthcare and inadequate educational facilities continue to be an obstacle for our rural Tanzanian partners, leaving their futures uncertain. But those very difficulties are what show us the opportunities for big strides forward by making healthcare a priority. Your support is enabling FoTZC to work alongside our Tanzanian friends toward a stronger and better future.

The much needed health center at Sukenya will do just that. In addition to the maternity ward, new buildings will include a surgical suite, a pediatric ward, an on-site laboratory, a borehole for clean water and additional staff housing. Once complete, these additions will allow us to convert the current dispensary, built by FoTZC in 2015, to an outpatient clinic. These updates will help the dispensary serve a much broader range of community needs, resulting in healthier Maasai men, women, and children and a stronger community. Turn the page to learn more about the planned Sukenya campus.



# **HEALTH**

The need for safe and accessible healthcare has never been more apparent, but there are many obstacles preventing rural Tanzanians from getting the care they need.

Inadequate supplies and facilities make procedures like caesarean sections impossible and overnight stays difficult. Without on-site labs, even basic blood tests can't be completed, which forces doctors to recommend a potentially inaccurate diagnosis and treatment.





However, these obstacles have become an opportunity for FoTZC to build a new Health Center Campus at Sukenya that will keep communities in the region healthier than ever. The expanded facility, already under construction, will include:

- Maternity ward New mothers will have time to recover and learn additional information about nutrition and long-term care for their babies. In times of crisis, this self-contained unit can be converted into a quarantine ward. This maternity ward is already complete.
- Surgical suite Simple procedures and complicated deliveries can be handled on-site, saving the lives of patients, including expectant mothers and their newborns.
- Laboratory Correctly and quickly identifying illnesses will allow for better treatment.
- Medical staff housing Once built, the Tanzanian government will be able to provide more medical staffing for the expanded campus.
- Boreholes Safe water is an absolute necessity for health, and FoTZC
  has two boreholes in place with plans to increase access on-site that
  will improve outcomes for every patient.

These upgrades will free up the current dispensary building for other needs. These include a space to give inoculations to children, a clinic for women to learn more about their health and their children's health, and a controlled storage space for medication and equipment. We're not letting the opportunity to provide better health care to hundreds of rural Tanzanians pass us by.

After enjoying twenty trips to Africa, I wanted to find a way to give back to the countries I visited. I found FOTZC is a perfect organization to meet my needs and interests to contribute to several worthwhile community projects, especially schools and clinics in Tanzania. There I can see my donations, and those of my groups, at work while leading safaris to this beautiful country."

Thomas H. Nicholls, Safari Leader, Fifield, WI



# **EDUCATION**

Education is the most important opportunity we can give a child and an entire village. It's a path toward financial security, better health and more choices in life.

But in Tanzania, significant obstacles are often found on this path. These deterrents include overcrowded classrooms, unsanitary toilets, unsafe water and inadequate housing for certified teachers and students.

Above: Essay contest winners earned a spot at the World Wildlife Youth Summit in South Africa to learn about conservation. Because they live in a FoTZC-built dorm, they are able to focus on their studies instead of spending hours walking to and from school, and doing chores at home. You cared about their education...now they care about our environment.





FoTZC has been partnering with Tanzanian communities since 1997 to provide more students educational opportunities including:

- New classrooms create space for more students, and smaller class sizes keep all of them healthier and makes it easier to learn.
- Sanitary toilets and boreholes help keep students and teachers healthy and able to attend class.
- On-site dorms with sanitary toilets, showers, and laundry facilities allow students to reside on campus and eliminate long, sometimes unsafe daily treks to school. By increasing attendance, students can excel in their studies.
- New teacher housing is a prerequisite for the Tanzanian government to send teachers to these remote villages.

Healthy, educated students improve the prospects for entire communities. An education is the chance of a lifetime for these students. Working with these communities to create safer and healthier schools brings that opportunity to as many students as possible.

Visiting a local classroom and meeting the young students was a delightful part of my Serengeti trip. Education is a powerful catalyst for developing their potential. Sponsoring the Mondorossi classrooms was an opportunity to reach across our borders to invest in the growth of these boys and girls and, in turn, the country's future."

Brian McDonald, Watertown, MA



## **ORKUYENE**

Honoring a loved one's memory is an opportunity to turn heartbreak into a force for spreading good. The friends and family of Christopher P. Halloran decided to honor his life by expanding a school in Orkuyene.

The school originally faced many challenges. A local parent was teaching seventy-five students in one classroom and relied on a single stove beneath a makeshift roof to produce all their meals.

FoTZC built an additional classroom and two teachers' houses to ensure qualified educators would come. Now, through Chris' memorial fund, we are addressing the lack of food and a comfortable space to eat with friends. The campus needs dormitories, plus more classrooms and teacher housing. Without these, the 781 students in Orkuyene will have a more difficult time continuing their education.





Chris' friends and family haven't let those obstacles keep them from making a difference by continuing their commitment to these projects:

- The new kitchen is complete. The facility is outfitted with several stoves, restrooms, showers, and a storage room.
- The Lisa and Scott Stuart Dining Pavilion will give students a dedicated space to eat, relax and socialize.
- Student housing will provide safe and comfortable sleeping facilities. Students will have more time to study as long daily treks to school will no longer be necessary.
- Funding has been secured for the borehole and water distribution system that will ensure students have access to fresh, clean water – the foundation for the health and overall success of both students and teachers. This will improve attendance and save students (mostly girls) hours per day of walking to retrieve water.
- Housing for four teachers will help attract Tanzania's top educators to the school, leading to better student success.

Friends and family partnered with a village in need to honor Chris' memory and passions. Many people have generously donated to the Orkuyene projects in his memory. A list of donors can be found at www.fotzc.org/cphdonors.



# COCOBA

Building a business is a challenge no matter what advantages you have. Juggling the demands of work and home, expanding your business knowledge, even finding the right projects to pursue, are all obstacles every would-be entrepreneur needs to overcome.

In rural Tanzania's highly patriarchal culture, women often lack the education that would help them launch their own endeavors. The costs of keeping children healthy and educated are high, both in time and money, leaving little extra for the women to put into their own businesses.





The Community Conservation Banking (COCOBA) program is helping to create and nurture opportunities for the women of rural Tanzania. Launched in 2015, the program now serves 330 women with the following services:

- Micro-loans, entrepreneurship training and business guidance help them launch and maintain businesses.
- Healthcare is increasingly available to the participants and their families. Not only does good health allow them to focus on their businesses, it provides money for their children's school supplies and healthier food for their families.
- Beekeeping has proven to be a highly successful venture for the women in the COCOBA program, providing a stable income via a business women can maintain on their own. This year beekeeping training was expanded to include the nearby village of Mondorosi.

By participating in COCOBA and learning new skills, these women are building stronger and healthier futures for themselves and their families.

Thomson Safaris provides a fabulous experience that includes not just the wildlife one hopes to see. Their guests are offered an opportunity to meet, talk to and interact with local Tanzanians. Focus on Tanzanian Communities (FoTZC) supports education and health care, two important factors in a country's future. I fell in love with Tanzania and her very friendly and hard working people. Through FoTZC, I am honored to give back to Tanzania and her people."

Melanie Goering, Tucson, AZ



Tanzania and its people changed my life. Magnificent scenery? Check. Incredible diversity of wildlife? Check.

But surrounding that was the kindness and good nature of the people, in spite of their many challenges. I want to help Tanzanians by being part of what FoTZC does to improve opportunities for these special people."

Kathleen Olona, Prior Lake, MN

## **FINANCIALS**

Audited Revenue and Expenditures for January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019

All administration and development costs are covered by a foundation, board members and Thomson Safaris. This means that 100% of your investment goes directly to funding new projects.

\$591,296

\$15,000

#### **REVENUE**

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TOTAL REVENUE		\$606,296				
EXPENDITURES						
Projects	78%	\$239,841				
COCOBA		\$41,823				
Haymu Primary Teachers' Housing		\$29,171				
3 Mondorosi Classrooms*		\$23,551				
Robanda Secondary Boys' Dorm		\$59,079				
Sukenya Dispensary Power System Renovation		\$4,496				
Christopher P. Halloran School Kitchen*		\$7,409				
Sukenya Health Center Maternity Ward*		\$45,046				
On-site Project Management Fees		\$25,800				

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Rainwater Harvesting Systems in Enashiva		\$3,467	
Administration & Development	rees and Insurance Tax Preparation ce Supplies	\$68,311	
Management Fees		\$19,955	
Website, Database, Bank Fees and Insurance		\$9,869	
State Registrations and Tax Preparation		\$14,410	
Rent, Overhead and Office Supplies		\$15,640	
Development		\$8,436	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	100%	\$308.152	

<sup>\*</sup>The full funding was secured for these projects in 2019; partial construction was completed and paid for in 2019 and the remaining construction costs are payable in 2020.

## DONORS

Donations received September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020

You are an important part of FOTZC. In a time that is so concerning and stressful for everyone, the fact that you choose to improve the lives of others speaks volumes about who you are. The board and men, women and children of our partner communities are deeply grateful for your partnership.

Author Simon Sinek said it best: "True generosity is doing something for someone else, expecting nothing in return." Your continued generosity to make these projects possible is improving the lives and opportunities of thousands of Tanzanians. Thank you!

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