

### **Educational Operating Grants and Scholarships:**

\*Operation Bootstrap Africa's largest program is the MaaSAE Girls Secondary School (MGLSS) in Monduli, Tanzania. Student sponsorships provide funding for the education of all of the students at this residential school. In its 29th year, the school continues to provide an opportunity for pastoralist and semi-nomadic girls to be educated in a safe and nurturing environment. A monthly grant to the school supports teacher and staff salaries, food, textbooks, utilities, farm production, and other necessary expenses.

\*Additional scholarship funds were provided for students attending the following institutions: Moringe Sokoine Secondary School in Monduli, Tanzania, Nazarene University, Kitambolu Secondary School in Arusha, Tanzania, Bassodawish school in the Karatu region of Tanzania, Step by Step School, Unambwe Secondary School, Michaud Secondary School, Arusha Lutheran Medical Training Center, Fransalian Hekima Secondary School, and Kiyoora High School in Ntungamo, Uganda.

\*Medical School scholarships were provided for 2 future doctors to study at Hubert Kairuki Memorial University and the Catholic University of Health and Allied Sciences.

\*In Madagascar a grant was provided to pay teacher salaries at five primary schools in the rural South. These teachers taught more than 2,500 students in one of the most impoverished areas of the country.

\*Primary school scholarships were given to 75 children at Best School Academy in Bunuku, Kenya

\*Scholarships were granted to 21 Primary, Secondary, and Post-Secondary students at Eripoto Safe House in Arusha.

\*Scholarships were provided for 3 pre-school children and 15 Post-Secondary students at the Courage House in Moshi.

\* Specialty training scholarships in nursing were granted to 4 qualified staff members at the ALMC School of Nursing.

### **Leadership Development:**

\*The OBA post-secondary program provides scholarships for graduates of the MaaSAE Girls School through sponsor support. MGLSS graduates pursued degrees at colleges, universities, and vocational schools in Tanzania with scholarships through Operation Bootstrap Africa. Graduates of other local secondary schools also received post-secondary scholarships from OBA.

### **Construction and Special Projects at Schools in East Africa:**

\*Funding was provided for numerous primary and secondary school projects, including: supplies for a monthly Lunch Program at Olchoki Primary School and five separate Malagasy Schools, three brand new schools in Madagascar, a new kitchen at Azimio Primary School, a classroom at Ilboru Special Needs School, and a rural hospital nutrition program.

\*Funds were also provided for Teacher's Housing renovation at MGLSS.

\*Funding was provided to construct a Girl's Dormitory at Masange Juu Secondary School in the Lushoto region of Tanzania.

**Long Term Development Projects:**

- \* Operation Bootstrap Africa granted the Maasai Girls School a salary for their farm manager. Other funds were also sent for cattle, as well as seeds and equipment.
- \* Funds were also provided for Tanzania Advanced Agriculture, which provides microloans and training for sustainable agriculture all throughout Tanzania.

**Healthcare and Health Education:**

\*Grants were provided to the Arusha Lutheran Medical Centre School of Nursing to subsidize the high cost of nursing education. Grants were distributed to Partnership of Women and Development for efforts in training the Maasai about the dangers of female genital mutilation. Grants were also provided to Empowered Girls, a non-profit partner that provided menstrual care training and products to multiple school projects in Tanzania including: the Plaster House, MGLSS, Moringe Sokoine, and Olchoki Primary School.

**Cultural Education and Exchange:**

\*OBA staff members led tours of their projects in Northern Tanzania and Uganda in October 2023 and April 2024 to gain a better understanding of the work and foster connections with the communities with whom they partner.

**Nutrition:**

\* Lunch programs for students experiencing hunger because of drought or lack of family resources were continued or established at Olchoki Primary School, Azimio Primary School, Ilboru Special Needs School, and five Malagasy schools.