



December, 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

IAGI BOARD and IAGI MEMBERSHIP and TO ALL IN THE GEO WORLD.

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**RE: KEGO UPDATE – IAGI**

Dear Board:

Good Day to all on the Board and all of our Installer members along with all of our business associates in the world of Geo-Construction. The Heap Family made a visit to KEGO this Thanksgiving and celebrated the graduation of our third 8<sup>th</sup> Grade class. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders at KEGO had the best test scores along with the overall highest test score in Homa Bay County.

The children are doing very well and there is noticeable improvement from our last visit in 2017. We were very excited to share this trip with our two daughters Lauren and Liza who brought their youthful enthusiasm and wide eyed wonder to the trip.

We were able to share a graduation celebration with the KEGO Family – Teachers, Administrators, Cooks, Guards, Guardians and the Founder Philemon Onyango. The day was fantastic and we shared a feast of meat, locally grown vegetables, breads and special African dishes with over 300 people who are associated with KEGO. We are now helping over 210 students at KEGO and the impact on the local economy is clear and evident with the salaries for the Teachers, Administrators, Guards, Cooks, Cleaners and Drivers contributing to the community. This along with the purchases of bread, vegetables, peanut butter, maize, corn and firewood have direct impacts on the local vendors every month. All purchases are geared towards the local economy and will continue to help this town support KEGO moving forward.

We also celebrated the week with purchases of \$2,600.00 worth of educational supplies to add new books, pens, pencils, erasers, books, 8 brand new 3' X 5' white boards for all classrooms and 8 brand new soccer balls for each class to have their own ball.

To add to this we were able to take the graduating class into town and buy them new shoes for their next adventure to secondary school. There are 14 children in this class and they all joined in on this field trip along with the complete staff of teachers. We then took the full 30 person

contingent into Homa Bay to the fanciest Hotel in town for a buffet lunch on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor. Most of the contingent had never been on an elevator much less having the opportunity to lunch on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor overlooking Lake Victoria. What a fantastic celebration that will last for a long time in the Children's and Teachers memories.

We ask that each IAGI Company consider helping the KEGO Give Back Program with whatever you feel you can donate. We are currently looking for sponsors for the graduating class to cover their added fees at the Secondary level. You can be a sponsor for a full year of fees for \$600.00 US Dollars or if you had a great year you can sponsor the whole class for \$8,400.00. We have attached the letters from some of the graduating class for your review and understanding of what these children face every day of their life. It is a good day in Kenya to have enough clean water and food to make it through the day. We are asking that you open your hearts and help us make a difference in the lives of these children.

The current budget we are sending over through RWC is \$3,000.00 per month which we have been sending over monthly since 1.1.2016. We would also ask those that can to help with the General Fund please donate what you can to help us continue with this monthly operations payment in 2020.

We can promise that the money goes directly to the children and we do not have any overhead or charges associated with Rippling Waters Charity – It all goes towards making a difference in these beautiful children's world.

With your help we can continue to make a difference at KEGO and in the lives of the many people that are fed, educated and supported by the money sent monthly to KEGO.

Thanks for your time.

Best Regards,



**John and Suzi Heap**  
**RWC**