

Karimu fights poverty by trusting the poor to understand what they need.

Dear Friend of Karimu,

We wanted some good news before sending this newsletter—and now we have it!

Clean water is finally being piped to within easy walking distance of 15,000 people in the Tanzanian villages Karimu serves. Children as young as eight—mainly girls—are no longer forced to miss school in order to walk many miles every day to carry water to their homes. We wish you could have been with us this summer as the water project neared completion and hundreds of people swarmed over us in celebration.

Karimu sends heartfelt thanks to hundreds of individuals and a handful of grantors for the almost \$300,000 that funded this project, and to our Chief Operating Officer, Nelson Mattos, who spearheaded the fundraising.



Celebrating the arrival of water

The project involves six miles of underground pipes, three huge water-storage tanks, and faucets in sixty-five public locations.

We were also honored to take part in the inauguration of Bacho Primary School after its reconstruction from the ground up. Bacho Primary had been a nearly unusable eyesore, but attendance has risen dramatically since its rebuilding. Karimu volunteers helped landscape the grounds for presentation of the new school to distinguished representatives of the Tanzanian government.

Karimu's June/July trip to Tanzania followed a visit in March by President Marianne Kent-Stoll, Treasurer Don Stoll, and Nelson Mattos. In applying Karimu's principle that the poor understand their needs better than outsiders can, they met with dozens of locals to work on Karimu's five-year Strategic Plan. Jasson Kahembe, Chair of Karimu's newly registered Tanzanian Board, led the planning.



Left to right:
Bacho Primary School Inauguration
The new Bacho Primary School
Karimu Field Officer Shau Erro Ae
2018 Karimu Volunteers

The local people made it clear that sanitation and education for all children, including girls, are their highest priorities. Karimu therefore pursued a Girls Empowerment Campaign (<https://tinyurl.com/yaxftj8q>)—just funded by a single generous donor’s gift of \$55,000—to build new girls’ toilets and add private washrooms to existing toilets, thus preventing large numbers of girls from missing a week of school every month.

Two Matching Grants

In support of the projects crucial to the villagers, the Santa Cruz business Quantaphy is again offering a \$20,000 matching grant, good through December 31, and Nelson and Claudia Mattos are offering a \$50,000 matching grant for the same period. So your tax-deductible gift will be tripled if it’s included in the first \$20,000 donated to Karimu!

These additional projects—already funded by your donations—will be completed in the near future:

- Ayalagaya Secondary School: Toilets for Students
- Ayalagaya Secondary School: Washing sink
- Haysam Primary School: Staff toilet
- Haysam Primary School: Washing sink



Top to bottom:
 Karimu Sports Day
 Karimu Project Manager Siphaeli Kaaya
 Two-time volunteer Regina Krueel Romeu and friends
 Village children at a water point



- Gajal Primary School: Students and Staff Toilets
- Gajal Primary School: Washing sink
- Gajal, Haysam, and Bacho Primary Schools: Gutters and Water tank to collect rain water for irrigation

And we’re fundraising for these 2019 projects:

- Finish toilets in the last primary school
- Construct more school buildings required by population growth and bring books and other useful materials to all area schools
- Build toilet for out-patients and buy medical equipment for Dareda Kati Clinic

If you’ve joined us on a previous trip and were to return today, you would surely be moved by the impact of your generosity.

We believe you would also be moved to see that Karimu’s friendship with the people of the villages we serve has deepened, and that friendship and trust remain our foundations.



Yes, I want my donation tripled!

Please help ensure matching grants from Nelson and Claudia Mattos (\$50,000) and Quantaphy (\$20,000) by sending your donation by December 31.

\$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$1,000 Other _____

You can donate online at www.karimufoundation.org or send your check payable to Karimu International Help Foundation to:

Don Stoll/Karimu
 PO Box 38
 Idyllwild, CA 92549

For more information about Karimu, email karimufoundation@gmail.com.
 Federal Tax ID:32-0227956

