Dear Karimu Supporter,

I couldn't wait for Nelson's next newsletter because I am eager to share the news that for the second year in a row, <u>GuideStar</u> has awarded Karimu its Platinum Seal, ranking us in the top .01% of U.S. nonprofits for transparency. You can see our GuideStar profile <u>here</u>.



GuideStar, the world's largest source of information on nonprofits, supplies data on 2.9 million tax-exempt organizations. Their Platinum Seal affirms that Karimu regularly makes public, at the highest level of transparency, vital information about goals and strategies, as well as progress indicators highlighting our impact in the communities we serve. The Platinum Seal also affirms our fiscal solidity.

GuideStar's recognition underscores our conviction that our donors deserve to know exactly how we spend their money. We want donors to know not only that the community appreciates your contributions to bettering their lives, but that you've invested in well-maintained projects and programs that will improve lives for many years to come.

We share with you both our challenges and our triumphs. We hope our honest communication strengthens your commitment to our mission of erasing poverty.

With appreciation,

Marianne Kent-Stoll
Karimu President and Co-founder







