

# FOR THE GOOD'S WORK IN Kenya

Historically, the odds that girls like Irene, at left, would ever go to high school were slim: Only 1 in 15 girls in the Loita Hills region she lives in used to complete primary school and transfer on to high school. To change the odds for Irene and other girls, For the Good partners with local Maasai communities to remove the biggest barriers to girls' education locally through the strategies below:

### **ENROLLING OUT-OF-SCHOOL CHILDREN**

When we began working in Loita in 2019, nearly 2000 school age children were out-of school, most of whom were girls. Many were kept home to care for siblings and livestock. Our 15 young female Maasai interns walk door-to-door to identify out-of-school children near their villages, sensitize their parents to the value of education and then work with them to enroll them into classrooms. To date, our interns have now enrolled over 1000 children into school.

#### CREATE AFFORDABLE SECONDARY SCHOOLS

There was only one affordable day high school across the entire 700-square-mile Loita Hills region in 2019. For the Good partners with communities to open new secondary schools by expanding existing primary schools. As of late 2023, we have started six new secondary schools, two of which are now nearly completed.

# SUPPORT SCHOOLS WITH CLASSROOM RESOURCES

Schools in rural Kenya have few resources. Historically, teachers have only a handful of tattered textbooks to work with and have to manage several classrooms at once. For the Good supports them with critical items like solar panels and Rachels -Remote Area Community Hotspots for Education and Learning: Portable, battery-powered devices that contain hundreds of free lessons in offline format that can be wirelessly transfered to nearby tablets, laptops, or smartphones in regions where little internet exists.

## **ACTIVATE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

Parents are more likely to send their children in school if people they respect support education. For the Good works with local elders and cultural leaders to encourage parents to send all of their children, including their

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