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Letter of Appeal from Dr. Karen Blacks, U.S. Board Member, Women's Empowerment Forum, Liberia



It is my distinct honor and pleasure to serve as an International Board Member of the Women's Empowerment Forum Liberia. The organization is a faith-based NGO owned and operated by my sisters and friends, beloved Liberian women one of which is the CEO Laura Bee-Kiekpo.

WEFL's mission is to affect the lives of women and girls through educational programs. The program that is currently underway is the 100GirlsGo initiative that seeks to provide girls the opportunity to attend school. There is a great need for the children of Liberia and together we can make a difference in their lives so that they are able to help change the world.

Many of the villages of Liberia are isolated and do not have schools for children to attend. Today I am asking you to join me in making it possible for 100 girls to attend school. The statistics are staggering and the difference that education makes in the life of a girl has inspired me to reach out to you today. Here are a few facts:

Girls who don't attend school are:

- Vulnerable to early marriage
- At risk of child labor exploitation
- Sexual exploitation and rape
- Human trafficking
- Higher risk of maternal complications and death
- Her children are more likely to be malnourished and die in infancy

There are significant life altering benefits to women who have completed secondary education. They have

- 49% fewer child deaths
- 64% fewer early marriages
- 59% fewer unplanned pregnancies ...and the list goes on.

We desperately need your help to change the trajectory of 100 girl's lives. Below is the cost to send just one girl to school:

\$25.00USD sponsors one girl for the entire school year and includes:

- School Fees
- Books
- Uniform
- Backpack
- Reusable Pads

I am making a personal appeal that I do not take lightly. Right now, I need your help, and the girls need our help. School starts on November 1st and we are trying to send 100 girls to school.

Please join me by providing support to at least ONE girl, at a cost of \$25.00. There are several methods for giving:

CashApp \$karenblacks
Zelle: subtle914@gmail.com
Cash or Check written to Karen Blacks

Thank you in advance for your generosity,

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