Every child has the right to education. RISE works to give children the chance to go to school in areas where accessibility is limited or non-existent. We target vulnerable and marginalized children who have been impacted by years of war and its aftermath, those living in poverty that face multiple barriers to education.

BUILD. EDUCATE. EMPOWER.
THE PROBLEM

Every child should have the chance to go to school, to learn to read and write. In Angola, some attend in makeshift structures or under trees; yet, over two million children have no access to primary education.

OUR RESPONSE

RISE builds primary schools in rural Angola to educate children, empower communities and contribute to the rebuilding of the country.
SINCE 2003 . . .
AN AMAZING RETURN ON INVESTMENT

- 191 schools built, with 983 classrooms
- 137,000 kids in school each year

RISE builds critical infrastructure, a fundamental starting point, to give children access to education. Classrooms offer safety and protection, and facilitate learning. Students are more engaged, able to concentrate, and focus on their studies.

Education is at the heart of better economic opportunities, healthier families, individual freedom, and empowerment. Our work aligns with the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Mr. Antonio Guterres, UN Secretary-General, states that “if we do not make an investment in education, everything else will fail. There is no better definition of sustainable development and no better pathway to realize this ambition than by educating every child.”
The school year began in February, but abruptly ended in March with the outbreak of the COVID pandemic. Primary schools remained closed throughout 2020. Without electricity, computers, or internet . . . there were no remote schooling options. Eleven dedications and school openings took place, the majority prior to the start of the pandemic.
Construction was able to continue because building teams live and work at the site, and quarantined there. Schools were built through the generosity of donors and solid partnerships.

BP Angola

- Schools at Calombinda and Cassualala completed
- Schools at Cabaia and 11th of November funded

Educate A Child and ExxonMobil

- Project schools completed - all 26 handed over / dedicated
- Project extended to enroll students in 2021 when schools reopen

Local Administration of Chongoroi

- School at Bolonguera funded and built
A BROADER IMPACT . . .

- Jobs for RISE Angola teams, teachers, and principals
- Stimulus to the local economy
- Clean water and wells
WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE . . .

2020 began as anticipated . . . and then in response to the pandemic, all marathons, brewery tours, and in-person events were canceled. School involvement and Fantasy Football were adapted, and our annual benefit was shifted to a successful virtual event.
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FINANCIALS

Education is a powerful driver of development and one of the strongest instruments for reducing poverty and improving health, gender equality, peace, and stability.

WORLD BANK GROUP

2020 Year at a Glance

Total Income $452,383

Expense
  Program $450,590
  General/Admin $60,818
  Fundraising $17,706
  Total Expense $529,114

Net Income -$76,731

Year-end Net Assets $124,594
FINANCIALS continued

Source of Income  2020

- Foundation 5%
- Individual 79%
- Charitable Organization 12%
- Church & School 3%
- Government Grant 1%

Functional Expenses  2018-2020

- Program 91%
- General Admin 7%
- Fundraising 2%
“if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry, and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will RISE in the darkness . . .”

ISAIAH 58:10