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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, those living in poverty that face multiple barriers to education, and deserve the basics that all children deserve . . . food, safety, healthcare, education, and clean water. Education is at the heart of better economic opportunities, healthier families, individual freedom, and empowerment.

Build. Educate. Empower.

THE PROBLEM

Every child should have the chance to go to school, to learn to read and write. Several million children in Angola do not have 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

RISE builds critical infrastructure, a fundamental starting point, to give children access to education. RISE-built schools are quality structures, where children can concentrate and learn, sheltered from wind, rain, and cold. They are centrally located within the community, with bathrooms and access to clean water, creating inclusive and equitable places of protection and safety.

Literacy unlocks the door to learning throughout life, is essential to development and health, and opens the way for democratic participation and active citizenship. KOFI ANNAN

194 SCHOOLS BUILT

140,000 KIDS IN SCHOOL EACH YEAR



2022 HIGHLIGHTS . . .

Chimukua and Dango

- Began construction of two 10-classroom schools, funded by Azule Energy

Lalula

- Began construction of 6-classroom school, over 6,000 children in need of a school
- Well drilled, funded by Rotary

Provision of jobs for building teams, teachers and staff

**Red Cross
2022 Global Citizenship Hero Award**





Bairro Novo

The new Mayor of Cubal knew of the work of RISE, and pursued a partnership to build a school for kids of Bairro Novo, who had no access to education. In 2021, many generously gave to fund a 10-classroom school. Construction began with the “laying of the first stone”.

The kids, parents, and community watched the process with excitement and awe. Rotary funded a well at the site. Seven months later, construction was complete. The local government provided desks, chalkboards, and a wall around the perimeter of the school. On June 8th, a dedication ceremony and celebration was held, with the Provincial Governor thanking RISE for the wonderful partnership and generous contribution.

Over 1,000 children are learning in their beautiful new school. Kids are in class, excited, engaged, and focused on their studies. The community has waited for this moment for years, longing for a school and education for their children. One village leader expressed immense gratitude saying, “I did not have the chance to go to school, but I know it will change the future for our children.”

WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE . . .

Fundraising efforts included a Brewery Tour, Fantasy Football leagues, GlobalGiving campaigns, Team RISE marathon runners, and school events, which all raised money to give kids the chance to go to school. Our annual benefit, at Sketchbook Brewing Co., was a night of celebration and challenge to give more kids access to education.



Brewery Tour

Fantasy Football

School Involvement

Team RISE

Benefit

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FINANCIALS

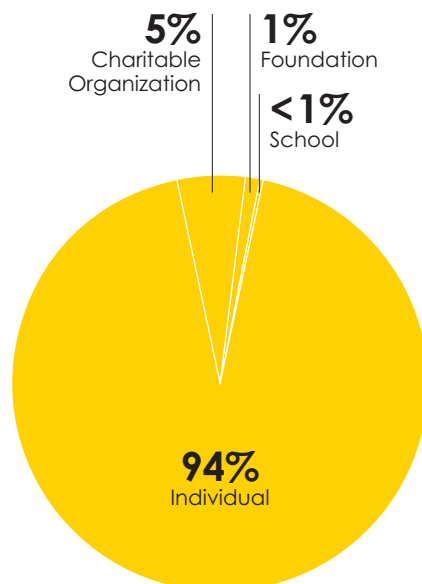
Education is a powerful driver of development and one of the strongest instruments for reducing poverty and improving health, gender equality, peace, and stability. WORLD BANK GROUP

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| Total Revenue | \$ 417,136 |
| Program | \$ 487,151 |
| General/Admin | \$ 56,403 |
| Fundraising | \$ 27,171 |
| Total Expense | \$ 570,725 |
| Net Revenue | – \$ 208,401 |
| Year-end Net Assets | \$ 179,406 |

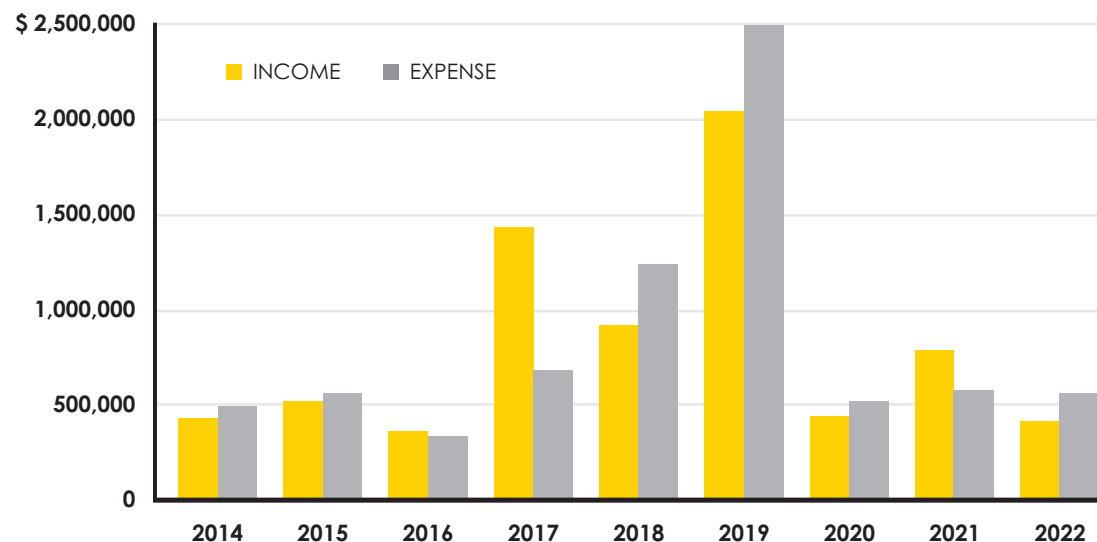
We are grateful to the many donors in the U.S. and Angola for their generous support. RISE has successfully pursued strategic in-country partnerships to build more schools, collaborating with local mayors and administrators, the Ministry of Education, and corporate social responsibility departments, including ongoing relationships with ExxonMobil and Azule Energy, a BP and Eni company. These partnerships allow us to scale and multiply the impact.



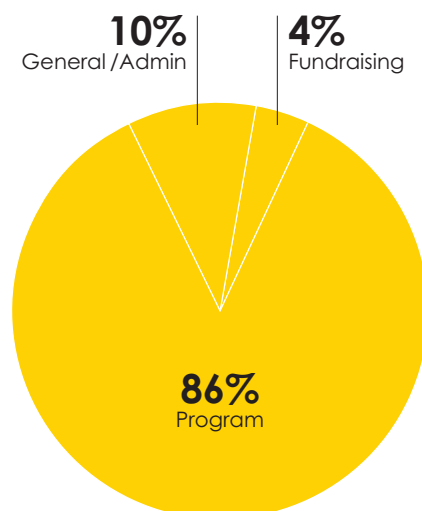
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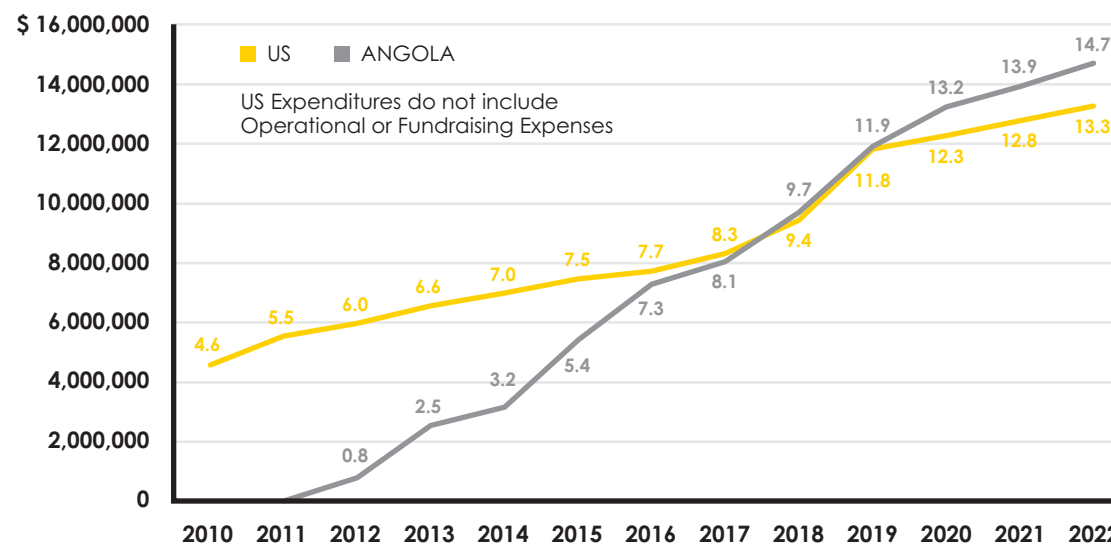
INCOME & EXPENSE COMPARISON 2014-2022



FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES 2020-2022



US & ANGOLA CUMULATIVE PROGRAM EXPENDITURES 2010-2022



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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.

ANTONIO GUTERRES, UN SECRETARY-GENERAL

