



**RISE**  
International  
*build.educate.empower.*

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023





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.

## 20 YEARS . . . BUILDING SCHOOLS GIVING KIDS ACCESS TO EDUCATION

- 196 schools built
- 142,000 kids in school each year
- Provision of jobs for building teams, teachers, and staff

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.

### In 2023

- Chimukua and Dango – Construction of 10-classroom schools, funded by Azule Energy
- Macala – Completed and dedicated 12/12/23, funded by ExxonMobil and RISE
- Lalula – Completed and dedicated 12/13/23, funded by RISE
- Provision of jobs for building teams, teachers and staff



**Kids have been educated ONLY because RISE built a school in their community.**



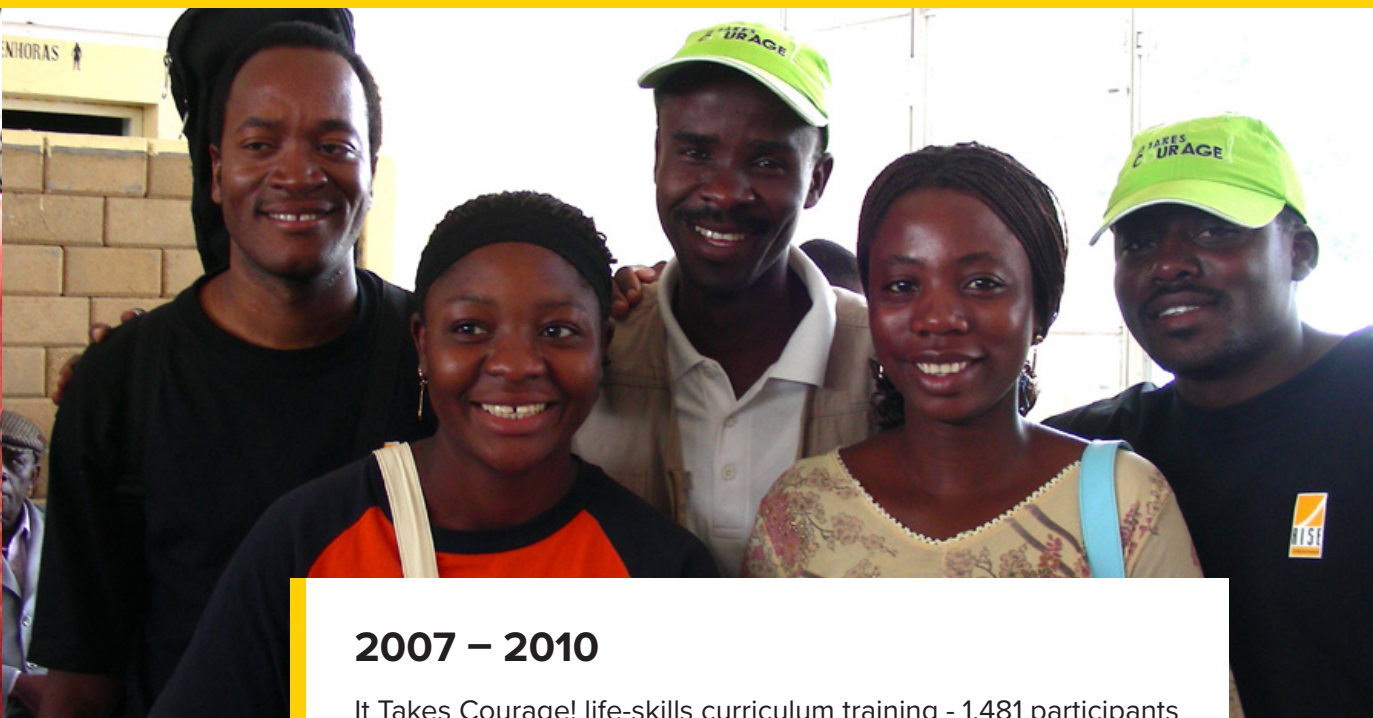
# PILGRIMAGE OF SERVICE / TRIPS

35+ trips offering workshops, implementing projects



**2002 – 2009**

18 shipping containers with school supplies and clothing



**2007 – 2010**

It Takes Courage! life-skills curriculum training - 1,481 participants

## 2009 – PRESENT

449 Team RISE runners, over \$890,230 raised



## 2010 – PRESENT

Wells and clean water at 30 school sites

**2012 – 2014**

TOMS Shoes Giving Partner, 33,000+ pairs of shoes



**2015 – 2016**

Children's Prize Validation Water Project



## 2016 – 2017

Libraries, funded by BP Angola, established in 5 RISE schools

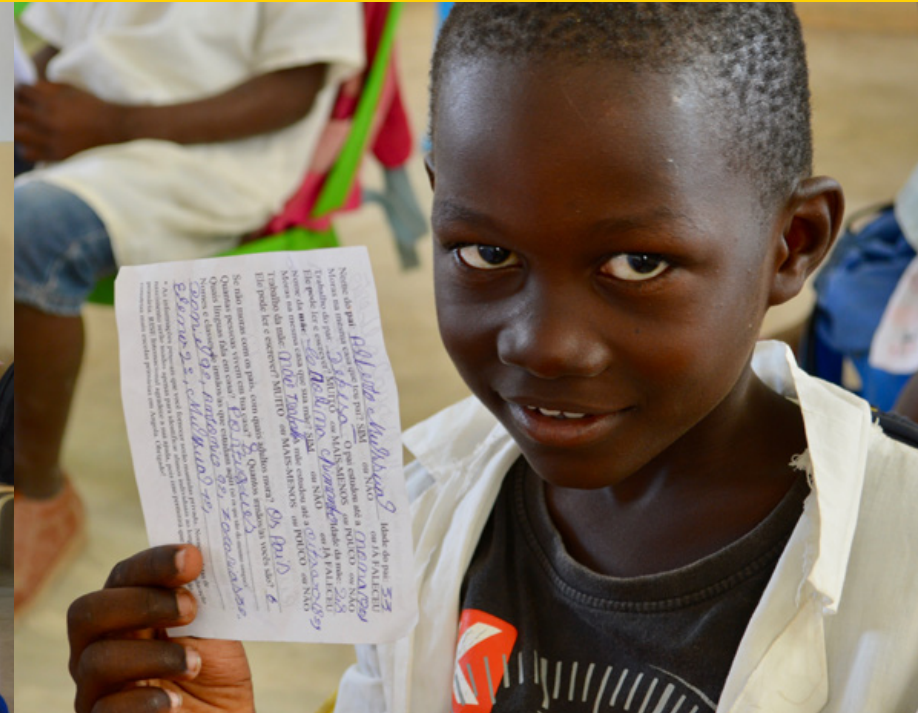


## 2017 – 2021

Educate A Child / ExxonMobil Co-funding Project

## 2017 – PRESENT

Monitoring & Evaluation



## 2023 – PILOT PROJECT

Impact of enhanced resources on learning outcomes, funded by ExxonMobil

## 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 . . .



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RISE is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization (EIN 36-4435162), accredited by BBB Wise Giving Alliance – Give.org, Charity Navigator, Excellence in Giving, and Candid / GuideStar.



## 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.

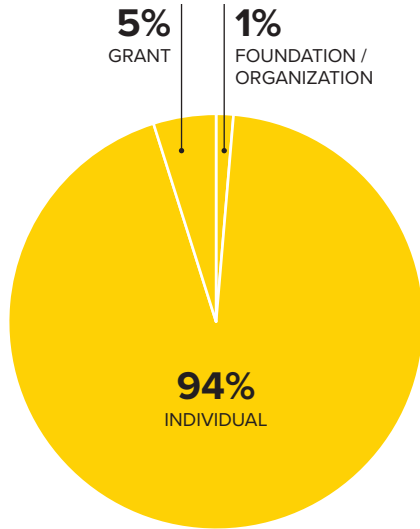
### WORLD BANK GROUP

<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 341,767</b>
Program	\$ 333,544
General/Admin	\$ 58,244
Fundraising	\$ 28,428
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 420,196</b>
<b>Net Revenue</b>	<b>– \$ 78,429</b>
<b>Year-end Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 100,977</b>

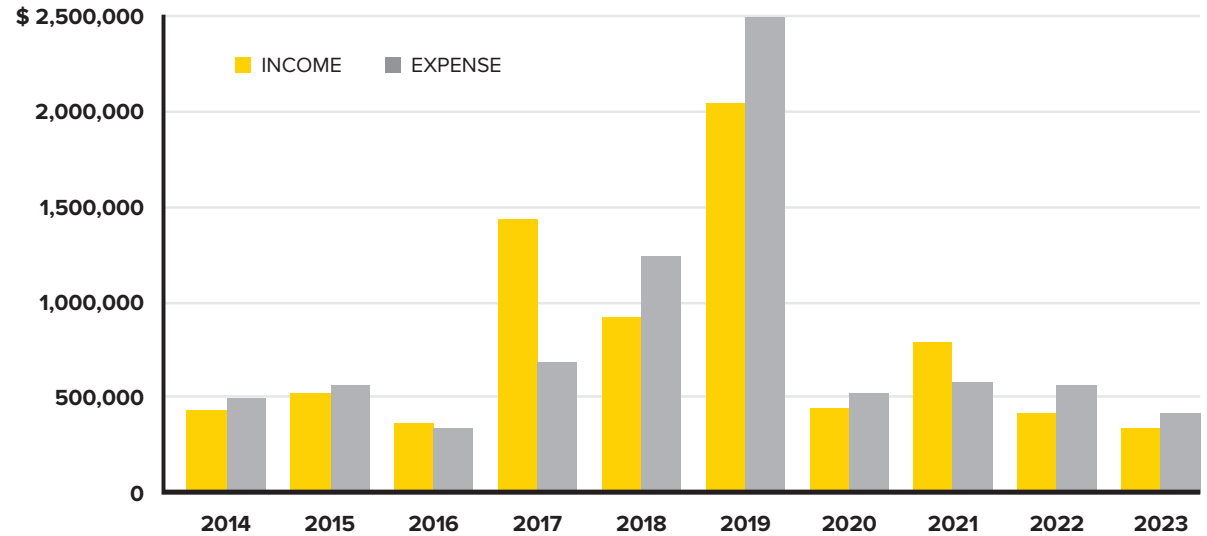
We are grateful to the many donors in the U.S. and Angola for their generous support. RISE has successfully pursued strategic in-country partnerships to build more schools, collaborating with local administrators, the Ministry of Education, and corporate social responsibility departments, including ongoing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



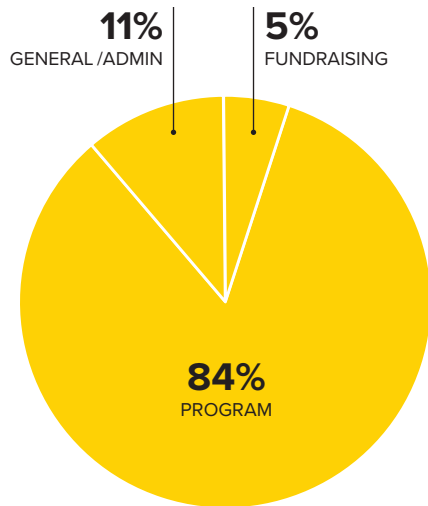
**SOURCE OF INCOME 2023**



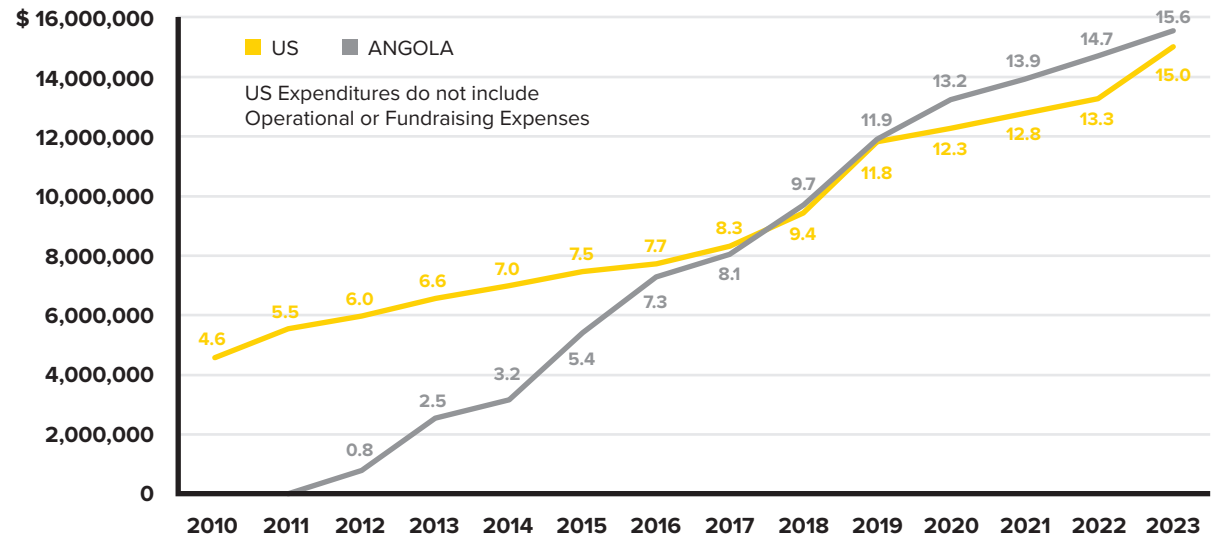
**INCOME & EXPENSE COMPARISON 2014-2023**



**FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES 2021-2023**



**US & ANGOLA CUMULATIVE EXPENDITURES ON PROGRAMS 2010-2023**



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**

