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provides a loan to a rural Kenyan woman to purchase a goat to sell the offspring - her first step towards self-sufficiency and the ability to provide food, clothing, education and medicine for her children.

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EMPOWER WOMEN



Kiramatisho Women's Group

These 6 women purchased 30 goats @ \$30 each with their \$900 microcredit. They will repay their loan in 1 year. Economic empowerment gives women a voice.

- Esther - age 35, no schooling
- Paulina - age 43, no schooling
- Purity - age 24, completed secondary school
- Lorna - age 30, no schooling
- Mary - age 24, completed primary school
- Elizabeth - age 28, no schooling

YOU in KENYA



OFDC Humanitarian Interlude

Teach in a rural classroom, visit a girls' safe house & distribute bed nets in a Maasai village. Visit our website to read about this exciting opportunity to spend 2 days w/OFDC Kenyan administrators.

Support OFDC and rural, African women artisans



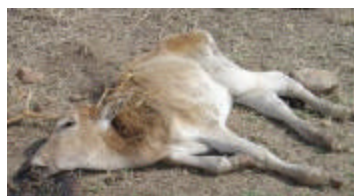
Support OFDC and rural, African women artisans through the purchase of beautiful handmade, fair-trade items at [A Gift to Africa](#). Enter -OFDC- when you place your order and OFDC will receive 15% of your purchase.

EDUCATE CHILDREN—Rachael goes to college



Rachael Ipato Kool is realizing her dream of going to college. With her Kenya Certificate of Education scores being top in the district, she is 1 of 2 students awarded a government bursary (scholarship) to college. Rachael's impoverished family cannot afford the remaining fees of \$700 a year. With your support, OFDC will pay her fees. Thank you for helping make Rachael's dream come true. *Asante sana!*

ENHANCE HEALTH for ALL



Due to the rains, the digging of water wells is on hold for the next month.

In the meantime, contributions will purchase much needed school desks for rural schools—your donations at work.

This past year, Kenya experienced its worst drought in 10 years. Wildlife and cattle died, children went hungry.

When rains did arrive, they came in a downpour, leading to massive flooding. Livestock and villagers were swept away in torrential currents.



Thank you for a successful year-end fundraiser

Sarah (Exec Director) and I, along with the OFDC Board, the children, mamas and rural Kenyan villagers with whom we work, all thank you for your contributions and a successful 2009 year-end fundraiser. Our network continues to grow as new and longtime friends tell their friends and family about our grassroots organization. Thank you for your continued support as we enter our second decade. — Nia Z. Sherar, Founder/Volunteer Programs Mgr