











EXECUTIVE LETTER 2023

2023 saw continued progress in the creation of the Dov Institute agricultural training center, the completion of the Little Rock Scholars program in Kenya, and an unforeseen development in Niger where the Dov Institute is located.

The Dov Institute

On July 26th, Niger's military took control of the national government. Niger was viewed as the one stable democracy in an increasingly troubled region of Africa. The coup came as a surprise to much of the world — and to us. To date it has been a bloodless coup with minimal disruption to daily life. But it creates greater uncertainty for Niger and for the Dov Institute.

One immediate impact is clear. Many major funders of development are barred from supporting projects in countries with military takeovers. Agricultural development projects will be curtailed, creating fewer opportunities to transform the lives of Niger's rural poor — at least in the short term.

In response, we are broadening the focus of the Dov Institute to prepare students for careers in agribusiness as well as rural agricultural development. Our mission remains unchanged — to build agricultural prosperity. But until rural development projects rebound, we'll include opportunities in agribusiness as a major priority.

Despite the coup, we are working hard to create a truly outstanding training center with first class facilities, faculty, and curriculum. In 2023 we made progress on multiple fronts:

- We gave our campus facilities a thorough test run thanks to a 2-month program funded by Millennium Challenge Corporation. Students lived in our dorm rooms, ate in our cafeteria, and studied in our classrooms and training gardens.
- We solved a long-standing problem with fertility in our training gardens with dramatic improvement to crop health and yields.
- We finalized the structure of our teaching staff and course assignments. Permanent faculty members are drawn from the most experienced members of LIBO, our implementing partner.

The Dov Institute curriculum features learn-by-doing teaching methods rarely used in Niger. We created a teacher training program to help faculty members master these new techniques. Training began in Q4 2023 and will continue throughout 2024.

With the advent of the coup, we delayed the launch of agricultural training till 2024. We will welcome our first cohort in October and provide them with an outstanding learning experience.



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The Little Rock Scholars Program

In 2023, Eliminate Poverty **NOW!** closed out its 15-year partnership with the Little Rock ECD Center, based in Kibera, Kenya's largest slum. The students come from families living in horrendous conditions, struggling to survive. Crime and drugs run rampant. Unemployment is extremely high. Most students in Kibera have no hope of a better life. But not the students from Little Rock. They believe that with hard work, determination, and faith anything is possible.

EPN began funding after school tutoring at Little Rock in 2011, preparing primary school students to take Kenya's national entrance exam to secondary school. The first scholarships were awarded in 2013. Students needed to score in the top 2–3% nationally in order to qualify to attend Kenya's top high schools.

In this last year of the program, thirteen 12th graders received scholarships to complete their studies. All graduated and qualified for higher level Education.

Since inception, 96 young women and men received 4-year scholarships to secondary schools. Ninety successfully completed their studies, a 94% graduation rate. Of the 90 graduates, 79 qualified to continue their education in advanced level programs — from technical schools to university degrees. Sixteen have graduated and 63 are enrolled in or are applying to advanced programs. And all by students otherwise destined to repeat the cycle of chronic poverty.

Their fields of study are impressive: architecture, aviation, biochemistry, economics, education, engineering, finance, international relations, journalism, nursing, physics, political science, procurement, psychology, statistics, supply chain management, telecommunications and more. Their lives are forever changed, and the positive ripple effects will be felt for generations to come.

As always, we'd like to close by thanking our remarkable partners in Africa and our generous donors for your continuing support. None of this could be possible without you. Our sincere thanks for joining in the effort to Eliminate Poverty **NOW!**

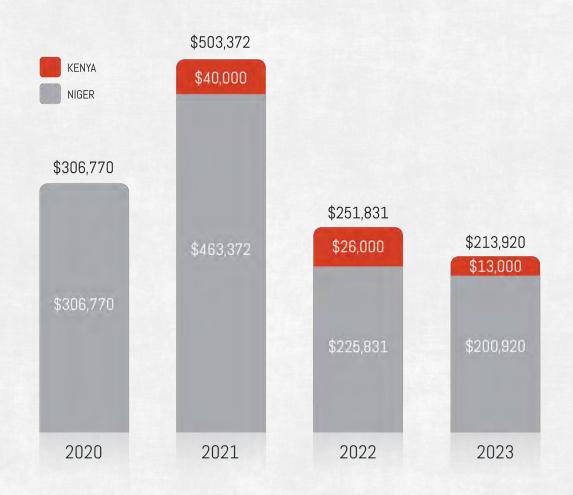
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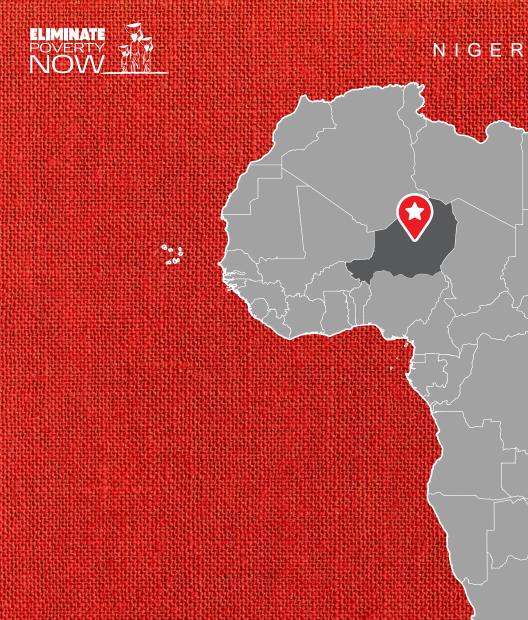
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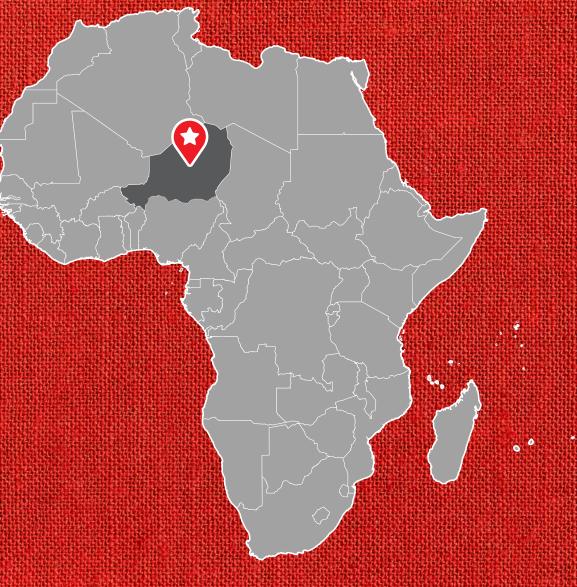
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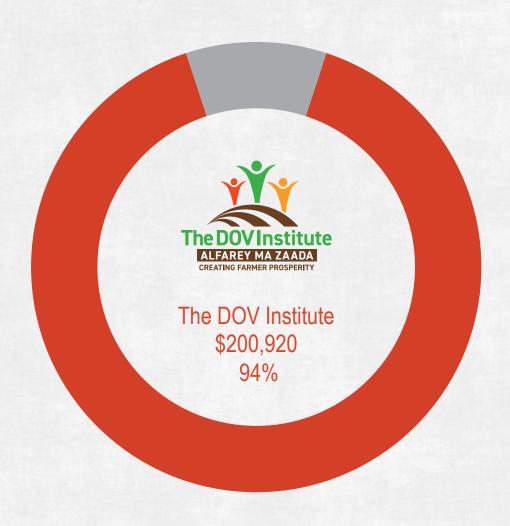








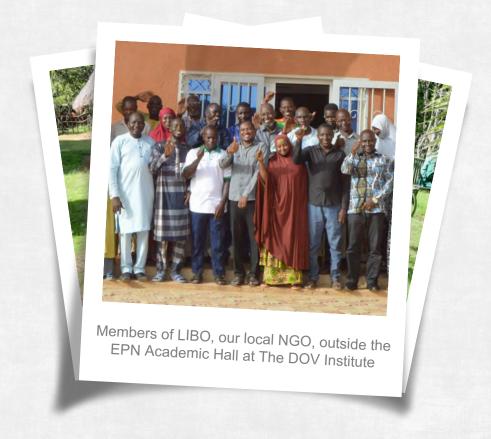
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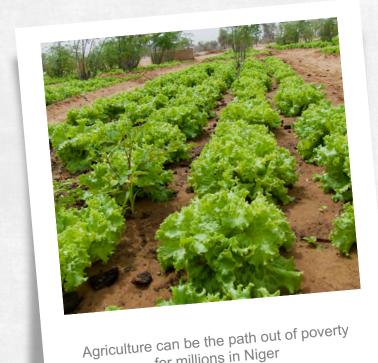




Niger's First Training Center Devoted to Horticulture and Maximizing Farmer Income







for millions in Niger

The DOV Institute

The Mission of the Dov Institute is to **Build Agricultural Prosperity.**

We will prepare students to become agricultural technicians. They will learn:

- Best practices in horticulture,
- Creative strategies to maximize income,
- Principles of running effective cooperatives, and
- Tools and techniques to train largely illiterate farmers.

We will also prepare students for careers in agribusiness, giving them knowledge and skills to become successful agricultural entrepreneurs



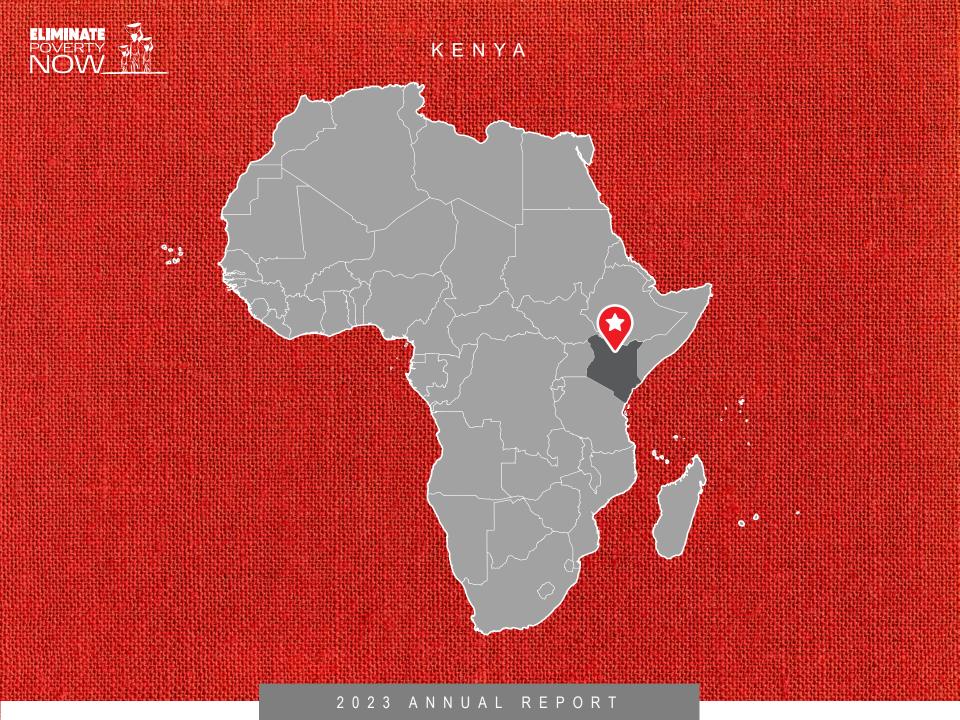


The Dov Institute faculty members attending the inaugural teacher training sessions



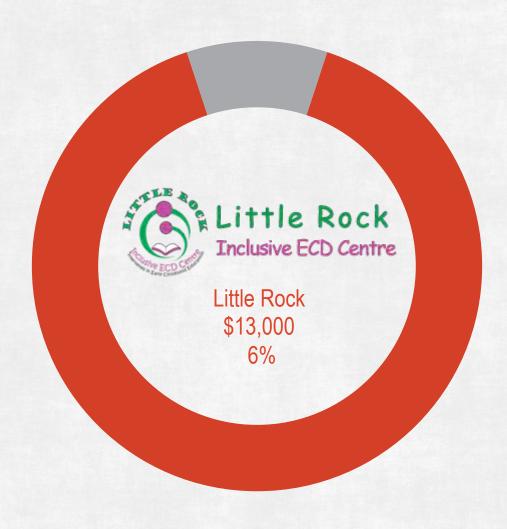
2023 Accomplishments

- Tested campus facilities with a 2-month training program funded by Millennium Challenge Corporation
- Solved long standing fertility problems in the training gardens
- Broadened the curriculum to increase focus on agribusiness opportunities
- Finalized members of the permanent faculty, course assignments, and academic calendars
- Created and launched intensive training for faculty members to master innovative learn-by-doing teaching techniques.





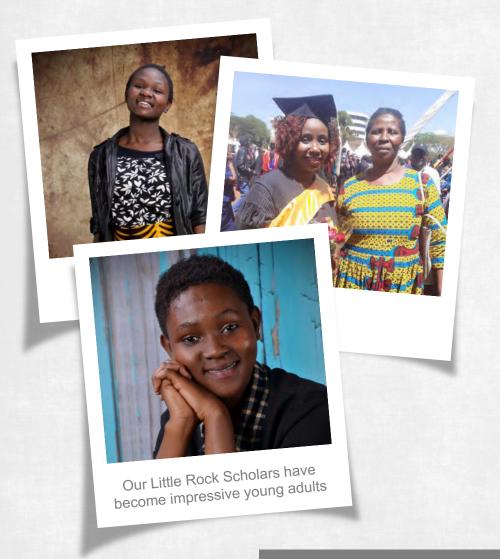
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LITTLE ROCK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

NAIROBI, KENYA



Good-Bye to Little Rock

Eliminate Poverty **NOW!** concluded its 15-year partnership with Little Rock Early Childhood Developmental Center in 2023. The objective was to use higher education to lift children from the Kibera slums out of poverty.

Accomplishments of the program are impressive.

- 96 students received 4-year scholarships to Kenya's top secondary schools
- 90 graduated high school, a 94% graduation rate
- 79 qualified to continue their education beyond high school
- 16 students have graduated college or university.63 are currently enrolled or ready to apply.
- Areas of study include architecture, education, engineering, nursing, physics, psychology, telecommunications, and many more
- Lives of the scholars are forever changed and positive ripples will be felt for generations to come.



STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

NAIROBI, KENYA

Here are some of the testimonials we have received. EPN strives to empower our local partners. Consequently, many students believe Little Rock funded their scholarships.



My name is Desmond Morara, I was born and raised in Kibera, one of the largest slums in Africa. I'm one of the pioneer students of Little Rock Inclusive Centre, an institution that has played a major role in my growth in every aspect. Despite the challenges of the environment I've grown up in, I've always been determined to make a difference and most of all to be a beacon of hope to other young people in my community. I hold a Bachelors in Arts and Social Sciences along with other certifications that enable me to volunteer in different organizations that ensure every child gets a quality education and every child's right is protected. My long-term goal is to ensure that every child realizes his/her potential in every part of the world, and I know I'll achieve this by being part of teams like Samaritan's Purse or Save The Children organizations that I've aimed to work for in the near future.

I am writing to express my deepest gratitude for the incredible support you provided me through the Little Rock High School Scholarship program. Thanks to your generosity and belief in my potential, I was able to pursue my education and achieve my dreams. As a beneficiary of your kindness, I have completed my Bachelor's degree in Economics and Statistics at Mount Kenya University. I am now a businesswoman and part-time statistician, actively contributing to research and making a difference in my community. Your investment in my education has not only transformed my life but has also empowered me to create positive change in the world around me. I am forever grateful for the opportunities you have afforded me and promise to pay it forward by inspiring and supporting others on their educational journey. Thank you once again for your unwavering support and belief in me. Your kindness will always hold a special place in my heart.





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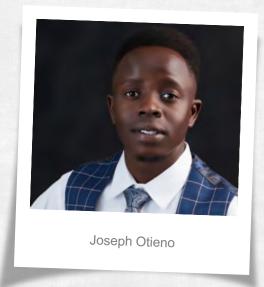
NAIROBI, KENYA



My name is Ziza Mboya. I am 20 years old. Currently, I am a second-year student at the Moi University in Kenya pursuing a course in Tourism and Travel Operations Management. I was born into a humble background. There are six in my family, and I am the fourth born. My parents are day laborers. I had so many challenges during my childhood life as my parents were not that well off financially but luckily at the upper primary school, I got the opportunity that enabled me to study well without any challenges.

I was given a chance to become a member of an NGO which was based near my home — Little Rock Organization. They offered scholarships to hardworking students with financial difficulties. Since I scored very well on my national exams I got the chance to go to high school. During school holidays I attended tutoring sessions at Little Rock which helped with my work and to keep up my grades. Keeping busy with the tutoring sessions kept me away from bad influences. I went on to become a tutor myself which helped me hone my leadership skills and build up my confidence. The continuous interaction with the children helped me forget my problems at home and gave me hope that one day I could succeed in my education and in life. Little Rock came to my rescue again and I was sponsored with the fees required for entry to the university where I am studying now.

I'm Joseph Otieno. As I reflect on my high school journey, one thing stands out: the incredible support I received from Little Rock. Their scholarship not only provided financial assistance but also opened doors to opportunities I never thought possible. Thanks to their generosity, I was able to focus on my studies without the burden of worrying about finances. Now, as I stand here on the brink of a new chapter in my life, I am filled with gratitude for the unwavering support of Little Rock. Thank you for believing in me and investing in my future. Currently, I am working in the field of artificial intelligence as a data entry and annotations specialist, and I owe much of my success to the foundation laid by Little Rock. THANK YOU!!





STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

NAIROBI, KENYA



Hello, I am Austin Otieno, I take this opportunity to express my deepest gratitude for your unwavering support during my high school scholarship through Little Rock. Your generosity and belief in my potential paved the way for my journey through education and beyond. With your support, I pursued geophysics in university and successfully graduated. Today, I am proud to serve as a Human Resources professional at NOMA Staffing. None of this would have been possible without your encouragement and assistance. Thank you for investing in my future and empowering me to pursue my dreams. Your kindness has made a lasting impact on my life, and I am truly grateful.

My name is Marcos Otieno, and I wanted to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude for the high school scholarship I received through Little Rock. The financial support provided by this scholarship played a crucial role in covering my school fees and alleviating the financial burden on my family. I am thrilled to inform you that since graduating from high school, I have made significant strides in my academic and professional journey. Currently, I hold the position of Assistant Asset Manager at Catholic Relief Services, where I contribute to meaningful projects aimed at making a positive impact in our communities. I truly believe that the opportunity afforded to me through the scholarship has played a pivotal role in shaping my future and enabling me to pursue my goals. I am immensely grateful for the support and encouragement I received along the way. Once again, thank you for your generosity and for believing in my potential. I am committed to continuing to work hard and make the most of the opportunities that come my way.



Marcos Otieno



INCOME STATEMENT

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Revenues					
Donations	\$ 200,559	\$ 431,788	\$ 441,550	\$ 466,220	\$ 171,973
Associated Fees	(353)	(841)	(3,294)	(497)	(275
In Kind Donations	39,628	38,388	37,628	35,928	35,928
Investment Income / (Loss)	(13)	(76)	(22)	23	7
Total – Revenue	239,821	469,259	475,862	501,674	207,633
Expenses					
Grants					
Little Rock Scholars Tutoring & Scholarships	93,000	-	40,000	26,000	13,000
Farmers of the Future	107,000	81,770	-	-	-
The Dov Center	-	225,000	463,372	225,831	200,920
Total – Grants	200,000	306,770	503,372	251,831	213,920
Operating Expenses					
Accounting	3,600	5,094	4,966	5,696	2,888
Advertising	5,498	16,997	8,406	9,419	6,622
Bank Fees	241	269	171	149	209
Conferences, Conventions and Meetings		-	-	-	-
Information Technology	2,262	336	279	303	-
Management Fees	7,863	6,169	5,363	4,656	3,306
Office Expenses	684	276	437	60	1,035
Other Fees for Services	1,700	22,709	31,700	-	_
Software Expense	35,928	35,928	35,966	35,928	36,519
Travel	13,893	4,806	-	-	7,100
Total - Operating Expenses	71,669	92,584	87,288	68,049	57,679
Total - Expenses	271,669	399,354	590,660	319,880	271,599
Surplus / (Deficit)	\$ (31,848)	\$ 69,905	\$ (114,798)	\$ 181,793	\$ (63,966)



BALANCE SHEET

		2019	2020		2021		2022	2023
ASSETS								
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	201,306	\$ 271,311	\$	384,762	\$	338,306	\$ 267,623
Investment Accounts		-			-		-	6,717
Accounts Receivable		100	-		-		-	-
Other Receivable		-	-		21,751		-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	201,406	\$ 271,311	\$	406,513	\$	338,306	\$ 274,340
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS								
Liabilities								
Note Payable	\$		\$ <u> </u>	\$	250,000	\$	-	\$ -
Net Assets								
Beginning Balance		233,254	201,406		271,311		156,513	338,306
Current Year Surplus / (Deficit)		(31,848)	69,905		(114,798)		181,793	(63,966)
Total Net Assets		201,406	271,311		156,513		338,306	274,340
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$	201,406	\$ 271,311	\$	406,513	\$	338,306	\$ 274,340



THANK YOU TO THE 2023 DONORS WHO MADE IT ALL POSSIBLE!

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