

Project Snapshot:

CAROLINA FOR KIBERA

Location: Nairobi, Kenya

Website: cfk.unc.edu

Partner: Global Fund for Children

Partner Website: www.globafundforchildren.org

Summary of project:

Nairobi, Kenya is a city of many contrasts. Lavish villas and skyscrapers mix with shantytowns, including Kibera, the largest slum in East Africa. Carolina for Kibera was established in 2001 to promote youth leadership and ethnic and gender cooperation through sports, young women's empowerment, and community development. CFK also works to improve basic healthcare, sanitation, and education in Kibera. All of its programs are grounded in the theory and practice of participatory development. Carolina for Kibera was recognized as a Global Health Hero in November 2005 by Time magazine.

Binti Pamoja, a CFK program, addresses the need for reproductive health education and girl empowerment. Binti Pamoja has its own center just for girls in the community to come and dance, sing, learn about reproductive health, and discuss important issues in their community. The program uses photography, drama, debate, and the creation of a community newsletter to help the girls in Binti Pamoja and the community explore issues facing girls in Kibera.

Funds for the project:

100% of funds will support Binti Pamoja (Daughters United) a reproductive-health and women's rights program for 13-18 year old girls.

"Do your little bit of good where you are; its those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." *Desmond Tutu*



Kenya Info:

Population: 40,046,566
(compared to USA's 310 M)

50% of the population live below the poverty line

40% of the population is estimated to be unemployed

1.2 million people are living with HIV/AIDS
(Source: World Fact Book)



