



Global Education Campaign

AKA Dosti Foundation

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The Global Education Campaign's mission is to provide high-quality education, permeated with human values, to people who, because of economic depression or political oppression, have no other means of becoming educated – without discriminating based on social, religious, or racial background.

Some good news to start off 2012:

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We thank and welcome a new partner, the Al-Malik Charitable Foundation. We will use their \$5000 grant to develop a science lab at our high school in Badezai, enabling the school to meet the requirements for high schools, and enabling students to conduct experiments at their own school instead of traveling a long distance to Sufaid Dheri.

The Al-Malik Charitable Foundation's mission is to "promote a better quality of life for the people of Pakistan through basic need assistance (food, shelter, clothing, and access to clean water), educational scholarships, and crisis support." We look forward to working with them.

- Donations to the Global Education Campaign from people and organizations other than board and staff members have more than tripled since 2009. Counting the Malik grant, this amount increased 3% between 2010 and 2011.
- Overall revenue has also more than tripled since 2009
- In 2011, we sent to Pakistan for our schools and orphanages nearly 4 times the amount of money that we sent in 2010 and most previous years.

Save the Date & Save Your Space

3rd Annual South Asian Festival

Saturday, May 19, 2012, 11 am until dark

Sultan Club, 8959 Dorr Street, Toledo.

This year's event will build on the past years' Basant parties to include the cultures of all of the South Asian countries: Pakistan, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Bhutan.

Vendors Needed: Contact us today (see the top of the page) to reserve your booth!

We want 5 to 10 food vendors and at least 30 vendors total! All food vendors should be South Asian. We'd prefer a majority of South Asian craft and gift vendors, but are open to others.

We also need South Asian musicians and dancers to perform, and artists to demonstrate their work.

More details to come



Faces of Dosti: Students Inspired to Move to Our Schools

Jalil Jan is a 14-year-old seventh grader at the Dosti school in Sufaid Dheri. He recently switched from another private school after discovering that our school offered better quality education for a lower fee, and he's very happy at our school. Three of his siblings hope to also change schools soon: Tayyaba (age 8, 2nd grade); Yaseen (age 10, 2nd grade); and Farman (age 12, grade 3). Their oldest sister, Ulfat, has no education and works at home. Their elderly father does not work, and their mother works as a domestic laborer in other homes. The family lives in Pawakah, near Sufaid Dheri, renting a home for about 2000 rupees (about \$23.53 USD) per month. Jalil is not always able to eat before heading to school in the morning, because food is not always available. He works in a tailor shop after school.

Very back: Jalil

Left to right in front: Tayyaba; Yaseen; Farman; and their father.

Dosti will provide free education to this family, thanks to the generosity of Mr. Saeed Akram of Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

This Just In: Our Kinshasa School Going Strong

To the right: New pictures from an old school. Global Education Campaign money started this school, in Kinshasa in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, in 2005. Antoine Kabwasa, originally from the Congo and founder of the African Cultural Initiative for Peace and Development, acted as our liaison with El Dorado, a youth group in Kinshasa in the Congo. He taught them how to raise chickens and produce pastries. The initial proceeds founded a school that taught through second grade. Now the school is a full primary school and obtains all revenue from agricultural enterprises.



Remember:

- \$3-5 a month sponsors one child
- \$50 a month sponsors a class or one-room school
- Shop at Kroger and benefit us! Register your Kroger Plus Card at www.krogercommunityrewards.com, and choose us as the charity to benefit. (Look for Dosti Foundation in their list.) Some of the revenue from your Kroger purchases will come to us. You must re-register your card each April. If you didn't re-register after April 1, 2011, you probably need to re-register now.

You can also help us by volunteering:

- "Like" and share us on Facebook
- Gather your friends together to collect small change, or host a small fundraiser
- Help us with upcoming computer and audio / video projects.
- Help with events! Contact us to get on the list!