

Ethiopia: Realities and Opportunities A Global Citizen Project

The Opportunity:

Kid's Hope Gindo:

Canadian Humanitarian's Kid's Hope Center focuses on 50 orphaned and vulnerable children, and their guardians in town of Gindo in the Amaya Region of Ethiopia. This program is focused on assisting orphaned and vulnerable children to reach their potential through education, and acts as a launch pad for their education, as well as their social and physical development. Provision of tuition, school uniforms and materials, after school tutoring, student run clubs, a hot meal every day and access to health care all serve as catalysts to ensure the children succeed. Our Kid's Hope Centers also serve as a meeting point for guardians to learn skills, and receive support and training. In Kid's Hope programs children and families are receiving hope!

The Project:

There are some barriers to accomplishing this goal. Some of them include:

- 1. Many of the families cannot afford school fees or a uniform for their child
- 2. Many families do not value education
- 3. Some families place more value on educating a boy rather than a girl
- 4. The standard of health and sanitation is low in Gindo Kid's get sick and miss school
- 5. Many children attend school hungry because there is not enough food at home. Much of their food has nutrient levels that kids need.
- 6. Many children are orphans being raised by older extended family
- 7. Many children don't fit in at school because they are poor. Some have low self-esteem.

Canadian Humanitarian is looking for ideas from you on how to address one or more of these issues in Ethiopia with \$1,000. In November we will be selecting 1 idea, provide the funding and begin implementing the idea in February 2014. What is your \$1,000 idea for Ethiopia?

