



# JAMBO!

2016-2017 Annual Report

Voices of Tanzania



**VILLAGE LIFE**  
Outreach Project

# ASANTE SANA

**/asante•sana/ swahili for “thank you very much”**

Thank you to all of our wonderful guests for enjoying this special evening with us and to all who made the event a success!



## NIGHT ON THE SERENGETI

We had our most successful Night on the Serengeti celebration in the event's 11-year history! Once again, we transported our guests to the beautiful country of Tanzania, where they experienced the sights, sounds, and tastes of African culture. We shared the progress we have made in 2017 and our plan moving forward into 2018. Our guests enjoyed a VIP cocktail reception, featuring a silent auction showcasing authentic African artifacts and local business products & services.

**WE RAISED OVER:**

**\$47,000**

**THIS YEAR!**



## RAFIKI AWARD WINNERS **KATHY, GRACE & PAIGE**

The Rafiki Award is presented each year at Night on the Serengeti to outstanding members of the Village Life family who have shown their passion and dedication for making a difference. This year's Rafiki Award winners were Kathy Burlew, Assistant Professor at the University of Cincinnati (UC) Department of Psychology, and UC Engineering students Grace Aldredge and Paige Sumser. Kathy was inspired to fund a latrine project at Migeeko Primary school in the village of Roche after traveling with Village Life in 2016. Her generous gift led Grace and Paige to spend a three month co-op in Tanzania volunteering to complete the project.

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# VOICES OF TANZNIA

Dear Supporters:

Each time I return from a trip to Tanzania, I feel renewed in my dedication to our work. The energy and motivation of our colleagues in Tanzania is so palpable, I wish all of you could experience it firsthand. Those trips make it so clear that Village Life's success relies on our strong partnership with the people in Roche, Nyambogo, and Burere.

You so often hear about the impact of our projects from those who go there to visit—students, medical residents, doctors and nurses, engineers, and so many others who have traveled with us over the years. These voices are so important, but I want to share a new perspective with all of you.

This report, like many others, will tell you how your contribution makes a difference, but you'll hear it straight from the villages of Roche, Nyambogo, and Burere. These committee members, teachers, parents, and other villagers share directly with you the impact Village Life has on their lives. These are their stories.

If you want to see more videos of "Voices from Tanzania", visit the "VillageLifeOutreach" channel on YouTube or visit our website. From everyone in Cincinnati and Tanzania, thank you for everything you do for Village Life!

Sincerely,

Sue Casey-Leininger  
Executive Director  
Village Life Outreach Project



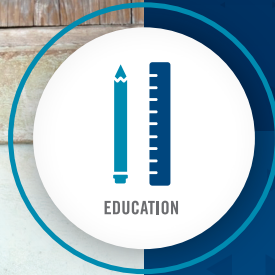
“ Before village life started, people didn't know how to boil water for drinking. Mothers were going to fetch water at dawn. They would travel very far and sometimes fail. Now we have no difficulties. We have help for the mothers, babies and adults. ”

- Ernest, Nyambogo water committee member



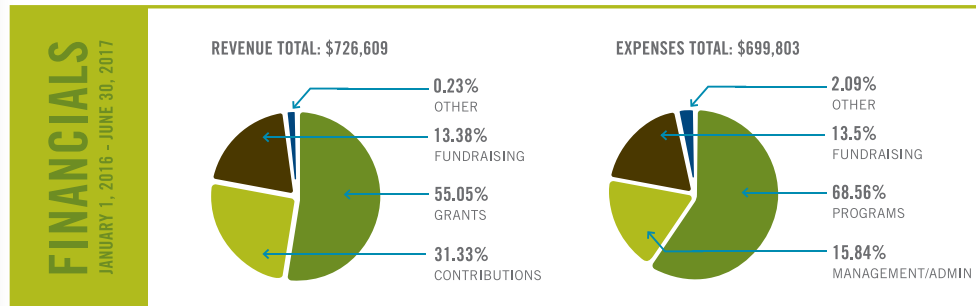
“ We are getting services that we never have before. In October, my grandson was sick and I brought him here to the doctors at Village Life. We need Village Life to continue! We need to keep helping others and expanding. ”

- Rose, Roche building committee member



“ There are now lots of attending students. I am so impressed because Village Life has done so many things. They have built a nice classroom, and really help our villages. ”

- Sophia, Burere education committee member



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