

# **Energizing Learners in Developing Countries** Since 2006





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# **1. Powering Potential**



# How it all began



# **Energy Globe National Award**

Our Raspberry Pi Computer Lab program received the 2017 Energy Globe National Award for Best Project in the United Republic of Tanzania in its category!



# **Energy Globe National Award**

- Energy Globe's official assessment of Powering Potential's Raspberry Pi program was as follows:
  - "Education is essential for a good life standard. The lack of learning material leads to a high NEET rate. This project helps to increase the opportunities for economic progression, it has improved students' learning outcomes and provided communities with a more optimistic set of expectations for their children's future."



# **Our Mission**

Use technology to enhance education and stimulate imaginations for learners in developing countries while respecting and incorporating values of the local culture.



# **Our Vision**

Our vision is all learners in developing countries

experiencing the joys of technology fulfilling their potential as global citizens 

## Program

Powering Potential's award-winning programs were designed in pursuit of three primary goals:

**Provide Technological Infrastructure** so rural schools are able to teach the national Information and Computer Studies (ICS) curriculum

Provide Access to digital educational resources



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Provide Training for select school staff so they are able to effectively facilitate use



# 2. Tanzania



# Tanzania



# **Mainland Program Regions**





Arusha

Mara

# **Mainland Program Regions**





Ngorongoro Crater Olduvai Gorges Serengeti Lake Victoria

# Zanzibar Archipelago Program Regions





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#### Unguja

Pemba



# **3. Where Next?**







- Peruvian Amazon pilot launch
- Led by Fulbrighter, Dana Rensi
- 25 Raspberry Pis, solar energy system, training
- Learning Equality hardware grant
- Completed summer 2019

Peru



Dana Rensi and Ena Haines on the Nauta River with local teachers



**Belen District of Iquitos** 

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# 4. The Technology



# **Raspberry Pi**

- 5 watts, 5 volts
- A 900MHz quad-core ARM Cortex-A7 CPU
- 1 GB RAM
- 4 USB Ports
- 40 GPIO pins
- Full HDMI port; Ethernet port
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# **SPARC and SPARC+**

**SPARC** 

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Raspberry Pi computer systems Low watt monitors

**Mice & Keyboards** 

**RACHEL Offline Digital library** 

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Solar power system including solar papels and batteries System Operations and Maintenance Training for Teachers and Students

#### **SPARC+**

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# Upgraded

solar power system, including solar panols & battorios Schools can teach the Tanzanian Information and Computer Sciences (ICS) curriculum

# **Companion Pi-oneer projection system**

- The Pi-oneer is an affordable and innovative teaching resource that combines a single Raspberry Pi computer with a solar-powered mobile projector.
- With a Pi-oneer system, teachers can utilize educational videos and other audiovisual teaching aids to improve student learning outcomes.
- The Pi-oneer is included in every SPARC installation. We also distribute Pi-oneer systems to schools that might not have the resources to accommodate a full SPARC install.



# **SPARC** installation

Sazira School in Bunda District (Mara Region)





# **SPARC+** installation

Endallah School in Karatu District (Arusha Region) -





# **Solar Specs**

#### **SPARC**

- Solar panels 2: 100 watt crystalline
- Batteries 3: 110Ah battery 12v DC
- Inverter: 180 watt 12v
- Solar regulator: PS-30M, 30A/24v

#### SPARC+

- Solar panels 5: 85 watt
- Batteries 6: 108 Ah 12v DC
- Solar regulator: TS-45M, 4512v





# 5. Impact



# Impact





- 97 programs implemented
- 34,000+ teachers and students have had a world of knowledge at their fingertips
- **60%** of respondents report continuing their education
- 57% of respondents report securing employment because of their technology skills
- **3,000+** students enrolled in Tanzanian national ICT curriculum for secondary schools

# Impact

"I was really impressed with the good work you exhibited in Dodoma. I therefore encourage you to continue with your efforts to enable people in rural areas to enjoy the benefits of information and communication technology."

#### - H.E. Dr. Jakaya Kikwete

President of the United Republic of Tanzania (2005-2015)

"I trust what Janice and the Powering Potential team are doing. They're doing it the right way with local support. community engagement, and b' learning."



- Jeremy Schwartz Executive Director of World Possible



# 6. Program Feedback

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## From a student

"If one day we meet in person, I would be much overjoyed and might shed tears because of your heart of helping since you have brought us from a dark environment and now we are going to be like shining stars. I thank you a lot."

--- Mahando T. Mahando, Sazira Secondary School

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# Kama unataka kwenda haraka, nenda mwenyewe. Kama unataka kwenda mbali, nenda pamoja.

# If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.



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