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"You Go Girls!" - Celebrating mid-year promotion in Liberia

Considering the many social and economic challenges teenage girls in Liberia face in getting an education, being promoted mid-way through the academic year is truly exceptional!

Earlier this year, 840 over-aged girls participating in the *Girls Accelerated Learning Initiative* (GALI) wrote a Ministry-approved exam to gauge their readiness for promotion.

An amazing 81% were promoted to the next grade-level, getting them one step closer to an age-appropriate grade!

Given only 12% of girls were reading with comprehension at their grade level at the start of the school year, this is truly a milestone worth celebrating.

As you may know, GALI is our flagship program focused uniquely on supporting teenage girls who are in Grades 1-3 due to a late start to schooling.

The expansion of GALI from one pilot school five years ago to 40 schools today, has been made possible entirely by caring Canadians, like you!

We're so grateful that you believe in their potential, as we do!

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"The most important thing I learned in GALI was how to have confidence that I can be the best in my class and in life.

-Theresa, former GALI girl, now in Grade 11

Your gifts make all the difference and we simply couldn't do this work without your support! With this update, we'd like to share with you some stories of the big impact that you're helping to make possible.

OUR 2022-23 RESULTS

Reached 506,157 children through literacy programs

Provided 10,285

teachers with professional development opportunities

Distributed 550,960 copies of books to schools

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With the conclusion of our five-year *Transforming Girls' Eduction Project* in Sierra Leone, it's time to take stock of all the great work we have done together in partnership with local communities.

With your help, we partnered with 260 schools; trained 1,275 teachers; delivered 330,000 books; formed 260 Boys and Girls Clubs; and installed 24 mobile learning labs – all in an effort to help 118,907 children become more confident and capable readers and learners.

The program has come to a close, and yet trained teachers will continue to use the skills they have learned to engage their students. Books and school libraries will continue to nourish a culture of reading for years to come. And, students, with improved literacy skills, will go on to lead healthier and more productive lives.

We're seeing powerful evidence of this long-term impact already, with 90% of girls in project schools passing their primary school exams and transitioning successfully to secondary school!



75% of teachers are effectively using Gender Responsive Pedagogy in their classrooms. This is up from 12% at the start of the project.

GIVING WITH IMPACT

CODE is honored to have received a triple honor from Charity Intelligence Canada in 2023! We received a 5-star rating, and were included on both their "Top 100 Charities" and "Top International Impact Charities" lists. Charity Intelligence's mission is to provide Canadian donors with information that helps them make informed giving decisions to have the greatest impact. They undertake high quality, independent research and analysis to provide insights for donors. Read more at: **code.ngo/accountability**









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