

Children can make a difference in the world!

READING



to the **Rescue!**



Reading + Raising Money = Providing Hope



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Program Summary

READING TO THE RESCUE is a reading program that allows children to make a difference in the world through their own personal efforts. It is specifically targeted to help orphaned, abandoned and impoverished children in Tanzania.

READING TO THE RESCUE is both an educational program and a global service opportunity. It empowers children by increasing their reading skills and enabling them to see that their actions have importance in the world. The goals of the program are to:

Motivate children to read for fun.

- ❖ Show children they can make a real difference in the lives of other children who are less fortunate.
- ❖ Give children an opportunity to learn about people in a different culture and more about the larger world.
- ❖ Encourage parents to read to children who are too young to read on their own.
- ❖ Inspire a life-long love of reading.

You can also make the program competitive. When you do, excitement and incentive is added to the project. The competition can be run against a goal set by a group of students in a class, grade, and/school. It can also be run between students in a class, between classes, home rooms or grade levels, or between schools in a community.



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How does it work?

- ❖ Students get permission, if necessary, from a parent or guardian to participate in the fundraising part of the program.
- ❖ A reading goal is set and a time period decided by Program leaders.
- ❖ Program leaders determine whether to make the reading program competitive.
- ❖ The students sign up program sponsors.
- ❖ The students read, read and then read some more.
- ❖ Students turn in their completed reading logs.
- ❖ Students collect the pledged donations from their sponsors and return the money collected to the school.
- ❖ The school donates the money to *EfforTZ* Foundation for the benefit of children in Tanzania.

What support is provided?

School administrators get a comprehensive program package which includes:

- ❖ A summary of the **READING TO THE RESCUE** Program;
- ❖ The name of a Foundation volunteer to answer questions;



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- ❖ A draft letter for distribution to parents about the program, with a permission slip, if necessary;
- ❖ Project instructions for the "Radical Reading Program and/or Competition";
- ❖ A PowerPoint presentation about Africa and the **EffortTZ** kids;
- ❖ A colorful **READING TO THE RESCUE** poster;
- ❖ Photographs of the **EffortTZ** kids and Tanzanian schools;
- ❖ Reading list documentation forms;
- ❖ Sponsor pledge forms (with program highlights) for students.
- ❖ Other appropriate school recognition for the students who read the most books, the most pages, and raise the most funds.
- ❖ A list of websites that offer information about Africa; and
- ❖ A list of age appropriate books on Africa.
- ❖ Send the **READING TO THE RESCUE** donation to: **EffortTZ** Foundation, 447 Davisville Road, East Falmouth, MA 02536.

To receive the full **READING TO THE RESCUE** packet, e-mail Sheryl@effortz4kidz.org or call 508-548-3703.