



Annual Impact *Report*

2024 highlights



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We envision a time when the **garbage dumps of developing countries** are **no longer homes** to human beings struggling to survive. We are achieving our vision by walking

hand-in-hand

with people in communities next to garbage dumps, along with those with a calling to help, to break the chains of poverty and to improve all our lives.

930

Holistic Scholarships:
our Samaritan Scholars

87

2024 graduates from high school, college, or trade school

\$422

The average monthly salary of our alumni, which is nearly three times as much as the homes of our current scholars.



A path out of poverty

2024 highlights

El Buen Samaritano Family Life Center

A new family life center was built in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

- *Spaces for learning:* library, computer room, classrooms, music room, community garden
- *Spaces for fun:* playground, soccer field

Kiteezi Performing Arts Club ***Landslide Relief Benefit Concert***

Mothers of our scholars were using music and dance for healing, gaining confidence, and relaxation. But after the tragic 2024 landslide, they took to the national stage to raise money for the relief efforts.

- Our supporters answered the call to help, generously raising \$44,000 in one week.
- Mothers are now generating income outside of the dump as part of the new ***Kiteezi Performing Arts Club***.

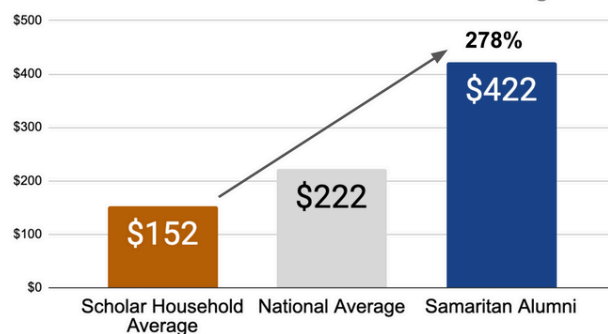
Mission Impact: Survey Results

We surveyed 300+ Samaritan Scholars who graduated since 2019.

- Our graduates are making nearly three times more than the homes of our current scholars!
- ***They're crushing poverty!***



Samaritan Alumni Income vs. Household Averages



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A firsthand experience

Reflections from three board members who traveled to our communities

"The challenges in these communities near dumpsites are great. It was easy to see that while we were there. But it also helped solidify in my mind that the model we've developed does work and is continuing to work. ... The experience of walking in the shoes of the people we serve is truly eye-opening, and makes every effort well worth it."

—Christopher Lindsey, Board Treasurer

Trip to Kenya, June 2024

"When we got to Ethiopia, I found a community that was transformed! I was last there in 2019, and it is unbelievable what has happened in the last five years. It feels like a healthy, functional community now. Part of that is the fresh water wells that International Samaritan built. People have more time each day to be productive instead of walking to get water. But it's really about the scholarships. The hour I spent listening to Samaritan Scholars was one of the best hours of my life."

—Dan Weingartz, Board Chair

Trip to Ethiopia, October 2024

"Although I came to research mental health in East Africa, I found myself rolling up my sleeves and staffing this mental health field hospital, using many of the spiritual and psychological tools I've gathered along the way. My time here has been filled with joy, heartbreak, eye-opening experiences, inspiration, and adventure."

**—Fr. Bobby Karle S.J.,
Mission Advancement Committee Chair**

Trip to Uganda after the landslide, August 2024



Living in a dumpsite

For Michelle and her mother, Nanteza, every day started and ended in their makeshift home at the Kiteezi dumpsite near Kampala, Uganda.



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There was limited access to clean water. No proper sanitation. It took a toil on both their physical and emotional health.

While Nanteza dug through trash every day at the garbage dump, she hoped and prayed this would **not** be Michelle's future.

You can watch their story in the video on the right.



Then the *unthinkable* happened ...



In August of 2024, Nanteza was only meters away from a tragic landslide at the dumpsite. Dozens of people perished that day, and dozens more had to be relocated farther from the dump.

Support came from all over the world. Watch as Michelle gives an update on how her community is doing now.



Finances

INCOME

Grants for 2024	\$1,416,585
Individuals	\$1,291,062
Scholarship Endowment	\$95,867
Board Gifts	\$170,358
Learn, Serve, Grow	
Contributions	\$140,000
Total	\$3,113,872

EXPENSES

Academic Costs	\$1,232,918
Student Enrichment	\$249,635
Food, Health, Wellness	\$388,033
Local Teams in 8 locations	\$1,073,084
Support Directly to Schools	\$124,330
Family Life Center Operations	\$147,384
Learn, Serve, Grow program	\$169,384
Capital Improvements	\$235,315
Enhancement & Evaluation	\$56,263
Total	\$3,676,346

Net	-\$562,474
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Only international expenses are shown, thanks to the Samaritan Promise.

The Samaritan Promise: 100% of all donations go directly to programs and people in the countries we serve. This is possible thanks to the generosity of our founding families and board members who have covered all costs incurred in the United States since 2019.

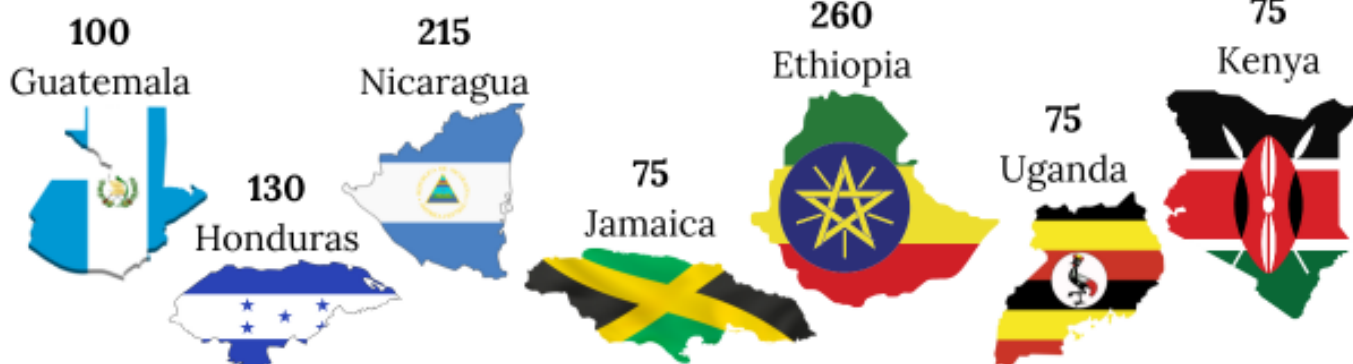
Expanding into Africa

While our Samaritan scholarship program launched in Kenya and Uganda in 2023, we witnessed incredible progress in 2024.

- The 50 initial scholars in Kenya and the 50 in Uganda grew to 75 in each country in 2024.
- The parents of our scholars are forming savings clubs, starting their own businesses, forming performing arts groups, and finding new ways to generate income.
- After the success of the Weingartz Family Life Center in Ethiopia, an angel investor has funded the new construction of a family life center in Uganda, scheduled to be completed in December 2025.



Samaritan Scholars in Each Nation:



930 Samaritan Scholars in 2024