



BOOKS2AFRICA IMPACT REPORT

ECRAD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (EMPOWERMENT COUNSELING RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT), Malawi

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How did you first find out about Books2Africa?

Google or Online Search

Name of Project or Institution

ECRAD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS (EMPOWERMENT COUNSELING RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT)

Beneficiary Number (If Applicable)

900+

Project Country Location

Malawi

Project Community Location

Zioya

Type of Project

NGO or Community Initiative

Date you received books

11/03/2018

Number of books received

1000

Number of students/learners

900

Number of teachers/staff

24

Please summarise why you needed books?

The whole area has no library there depriving the community their right to education. And education cannot take place effectively where there is no library.

Please summarise the overall impact of books received from Books2Africa

Overall improvement of education in the community. Teaching has being made simple due to availability of resource books. Students are now able to refer to books as one of their work.

How would you rate the condition of the books received?

5 (Excellent)

Please provide links to any video or news publication about your project receiving/distributing books (one link per line)

Www.ecrad.org

How useful are the books in meeting the educational needs of students/learners?

5 (Extremely useful)

In what ways have the books been useful for students/learners?

- Improved attitudes to learning
- Improved overall academic performance
- Improved literacy or numeracy
- Improved attendance/engagement
- Other ways

Please describe how the books have impacted students/learners attitudes, performance, attendance/engagement etc.

Student performance has tremendously improved. Last years exams, our primary 8 passrate was 97%.

How are students/learners given access to the books?

- Library access
- Class/Lecture room access

How many days in a week do students/learners have access to the books?

6

Please mention any specific books received or subjects that were most useful for students/learners

English, Mathematics and Science books

How useful are the books in meeting the needs of teachers/staff?

5 (Extremely useful)

In what ways have the books been useful for teachers/staff?

- Improved subject knowledge
- Improved teaching planning and delivery
- Improved assessment of learners
- Improved staff attitudes
- Other ways.

Please describe how the books have impacted teachers/staff subject knowledge, teaching performance,

attitudes, learning environment etc.

Before having these books, our teachers had to walk 10km away from the school in search for a library but at a fee. This time, no hassles. Books are readily available 24/6

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Please mention any specific books received or subjects that were most useful for teachers/staff

Science books, English books, mathematic books

Please describe how the books have impacted the community

The community are now developing a reading culture thereby capable of assisting their children with school work.

Are books similar to ones you received available from your local book stores?

Yes

On average, how much do books similar to the ones you received cost to purchase in your country? (enter the equivalent price per book in £)

£ 20.00

Please describe where and how you normally acquire books prior to finding out about Books2Africa

We were to sell some of our agricultural products in order to raise funds for the purchase of books which in most cases we end up not having enough because we can't afford buying them all. And again some of the required books are not found in the book shops. Again, we have to travel 150km to get to the nearest bookshop either in Blantyre or in Lilongwe

Has Books2Africa's support enabled your project to achieve its objectives?

Yes

How did you receive your books?

Shipped from UK Office

Please summarise the process and costs of clearing your shipment at the port, as well as your clearing agent and required documents if applicable.

There were few hassles but finally we managed to get them.

In total, how much did you spend on clearing and haulage? (enter the equivalent in £)

£237

Please provide the names of any sponsors you would like to be acknowledged for funding the costs of this project (Include their website if possible)

ECRAD board in Scotland (www.ecrad.org), email: sandy@ecrad.org

Please provide any additional feedback or suggestions

We, as Ecrad in Zioya Community in Malawi, can't thank you much for these books. Again we are grateful to Ecrad board in Scotland for paying the £500 on our behalf. You are doing a great job. You are help the world to achieve its millenia EDUCATION GOALS.