

The Future of South Sudan's Kids Lies In Your Hands.

Did you know that 86.3% of people above 15 years old around the world are uneducated? This may be difficult to imagine as a United States (U.S.) citizen; the U.S. provides free, public education for all children. However, in South Sudan, there is especially a need to improve the education system. Education is important because it reduces poverty and increases social qualities. With better education, the youth can use their knowledge and skills to help achieve a successful life. Education also helps achieve sustainable developments, which are organization concepts that provide natural sources for people to survive. In short, education is key to achieving all other human rights. Without education, we wouldn't be able to manage other global issues, such as world hunger and reduction of poverty. These are much more immediate and short-term when compared to education.

South Sudan's education system is made of primary education, beginning at six years of age and continuing into secondary education (Britannica: Education of South Sudan). In 2005, a certified public accountant (CPA) ended the war to help increase educational opportunities. But even still, only about half of school age children have access to education. The education system also lacks the amount of school facilities and the teaching materials.

With the help of Global Partnership with Education (GPE), South Sudan's government is starting to help build classrooms, train teachers, and distribute various textbooks (GPE, Transforming Education). GPE aimed to help strengthen Sudan's education system by "improving sector planning and management," "promoting inclusive policy dialogue," and "financing implementation of selected activities outlined in the education plan" (GPE, Transforming Education).

There are many international supporters that are trying to help South Sudan's education system. One of the main international supporters is the IRC (International Rescue Committee). One of the main reasons why education is being affected in South Sudan, is the relentless violences. The IRC's main mission is to help survive the lives that have been shattered by conflict and disaster. South Sudan's government can help its country's education by decreasing the cost. One of the main reasons why children are unable to attend school is the lack of political leadership and investments of the Sudanese government.

My first step would be to hire as many educators as possible, up to 100 teachers, to travel to South Sudan for six months. These teachers could drive/fly around to the most uneducated places of South Sudan and provide free schooling/tutors and a book drive to help support the children of South Sudan. They would be financed by our efforts, with plentiful pay and incentives to dedicate a part of their lives into this cause.

Secondly, I would try and train educators to teach other adults to become effective teachers. Teachers have significant amounts of experience instructing children and have methods that would help the adults learn how to teach more effectively. With more educators, they can go to many more different communities around South Sudan to spread the news that there will be a big book drive in the future.

Lastly, I would want all parents to feel good with their kids going to school. So, I would ask South Sudan's police to have some law enforcement on watch when kids are playing around in school with friends but at the same time, learning lots of new concepts and ideas. Hopefully with all these changes, South Sudanese kids will be able to go to school comfortably, as the parents will feel confident their children will be safe.

South Sudan's education system is one of the most current global issues. Improving their education system would increase economic growth and reduce poverty. Quality education helps children gain the knowledge to start working in a business that will help contribute to the economy. This can also help with world hunger since this could provide enough financial resources to help support people's lives. Quality education also helps reduce poverty because it will improve people's livelihood by providing their family with more food and quality education. All of these improvements can help increase the income that people can earn. This topic is extremely important because without quality education we wouldn't be able to overcome many other global issues.

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