



The Global Uplift Project

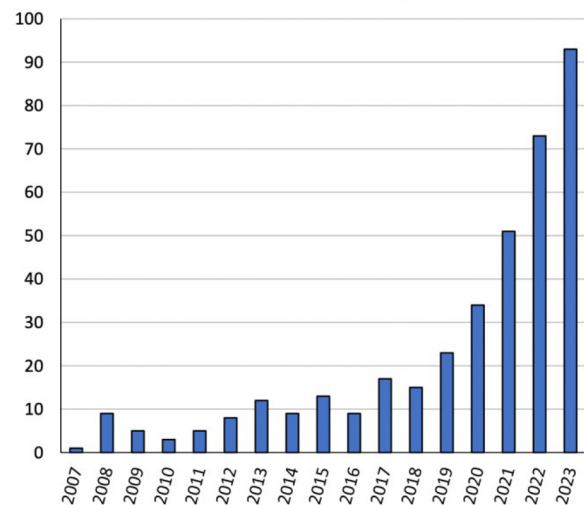
2023 Annual Report

Helping the World's Children Learn

The year 2023 was the best year ever for The Global Uplift Project (TGUP). Donations grew by more than 100% over 2022, surpassing \$500,000 for the first time. We completed 93 small-scale projects with 12 different partners in 10 countries, or one project every four days, somewhere in the world.

Spending on these projects was \$365,809, or almost exactly \$1,000 per day for the entire year. Since TGUP's founding in 2007, we have completed 376 projects in 26 countries. Over their duration, with some projects lasting 30+ years, these will help 2.2 million of the world's poorest people have just a slightly better chance in life.

TGUP Projects by Year

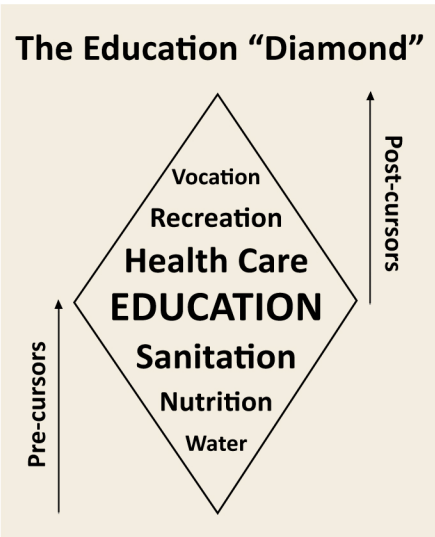


What is The Global Uplift Project?

TGUP is a leading provider of educational infrastructure for the developing world. What does that mean?

We build small-scale infrastructure projects in developing world countries, all with the goal of improving education. These include classrooms, libraries, science labs, and more. But it also includes some not-so-obvious things like water systems, latrines, vocational centers, and other projects. These are often necessary for the educational mission to be able to work. Local recipients pay 10-15% of the costs of these projects. This ensures that it is not simply TGUP imposing on them its idea of what would be good for them.

TGUP’s Vision and Strategy



Every high school biology student learns that for a protein to form there must be 8 different amino acids present. Education is the same. For Education to work, the core elements of Education proper must be present. But, there must also be an array of “Pre-cursors” and “Post-cursors.”

Education proper includes classrooms, libraries, science labs, etc. Pre-cursors are essential to life and include Water, Nutrition, and Sanitation. Post-cursors improve life and include Health Care, Recreation, and Vocation. When these are present, education can occur. Without them, it cannot.

TGUP provides all these elements to create effective, holistic educational environments in the developing world. It

specifically looks for schools with most of the elements in place, and that will blossom by the addition of a final one or two elements. This amplifies TGUP’s investments in a way that a less strategic development approach does not. Here is the distribution of projects we completed this year.

In Pre-cursors, water projects included bringing water from remote sources and building storage and filtration systems. Nutrition included providing meal supplements when natural disasters made food unavailable. Sanitation was building many sets of latrines. Without them, health departments close down the schools.

Education proper included essential structures, but also desks, bookshelves, even notebooks and pencils. It included TGUP’s **Science Lab in a Box™** which deepens learning by providing world



class Science laboratories. It also included TGUP’s **Save a Girl™** program that broadens schools’ reach by helping adolescent girls stay in school.

In Post-cursors, health care included deworming thousands of children and providing hygiene kits to hundreds more. Recreation was mainly playgrounds, one of our most popular projects. Vocation included new **Save a Girl™** sewing centers that we opened in Tanzania, Cameroon, and Uganda.

2023 Project Distribution

Vocation	9
Recreation	9
Health care	13
Education proper	49
Sanitation	5
Nutrition	3
<u>Water</u>	<u>5</u>
Total	93

Discussion of Operating Results

From 2022 to 2023, donations grew 103%, from \$262K to \$534K. This is one of the most powerful measures of TGUP's ongoing success.

Spending on projects grew less quickly, but still by a very substantial 47%. The reason for this is that much of the donation windfall came in during the fourth quarter, making it impossible to dispatch the funds responsibly in 2023.

Still, the number of projects completed rose from 73 in 2022 to 93 this year. You can see this in the chart on the front page. This included projects in Indonesia, Tanzania, Guatemala, Uganda, Kenya, Cameroon, India, Nepal, and the U.S.

Project spending as a percentage of total spending grew, from 82% in 2022, to 88% in 2023. Even though we grew projects and project spending, we actually reduced the spending on Operations (what many call "Overhead") from \$55K in 2022 to \$51K in 2023. This owes to our intense focus on operating efficiency, since that is required if we are going to continue to scale.

2023 TGUP Income Statement

	2022	2023	% Chng
Sources			
Individuals	\$157,031	\$301,147	92%
Foundations	\$46,738	\$167,968	259%
Service clubs	\$39,077	\$48,044	23%
Schools	\$15,285	\$10,754	-30%
Others	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$6,232</u>	41%
Total	\$262,535	\$534,145	103%
Uses			
Projects	\$249,504	\$365,970	47%
Operations	<u>\$55,098</u>	<u>\$51,031</u>	-7%
Total	\$304,602	\$417,001	37%
Project spending as % of Total, 2022:			82%
Project spending as % of Total, 2023:			88%



enough of them installed, **SLaB** can raise the scientific IQ of the human race. That is our goal.

In 2023, we made and distributed more than 21,000 **Save a Girl**™ sanitary kits to girls in five countries. We opened new **Save a Girl**™ Sewing Centers in Tanzania, Cameroon, and Uganda. The Centers are already making and distributing thousands of **SaG** kits. See the next page for more details.

Finally, we grew the number of **Science Labs in a Box**™ installed by 100%. **SLaB** exponentially improves the level of Science education possible in developing world high schools. With

As always, 100% of every dollar an individual or service club or church or school or company donated went into their intended project. We can do this because we have raised funds from private foundations (\$168K) that more than cover all our operating costs (\$51K).

Special Success with *Save a Girl*™



In 2017, TGUP designed and began making its *Save a Girl*™ product. *Save a Girl*™ is a washable, reusable sanitary kit that helps adolescent girls manage their period so they can stay in school. TGUP makes them in Sewing Centers it has established in Kenya, Tanzania, Cameroon, Uganda, and Nepal.

TGUP has made and distributed almost 70,000 *SaG* kits in nine developing world countries. A kit costs \$6 to make but is given free of charge to girls. It lasts more than three years. We believe that keeping an adolescent girl in school for \$2 per year ($\$6 \div 3$) is one of the highest returns on human investment in the world.

In 2023, TGUP completed its first statistically valid, longitudinal survey of the impact of the *SaG* kits. Our theory since the beginning was that the kits would boost girls' performance on objective metrics of educational success. Here is a summary of some of the actual results:

- Total **days of school missed** fell by more than 93%.
- Average **Grade Point Average (GPA)** for girls rose by 16.65%.
- Average **national test scores** rose 20.7% for girls; 7.3% for boys.
- **Graduation rates** for girls went up from 85% to 96%.
- Total number of **pregnancies** fell by 93%.

In other words, the data validated everything we had hoped and expected to find. With help from our donors, TGUP will continue to grow *Save a Girl*™.

In summary, 2023 was TGUP's most successful year, ever, *by far*. We continue to honor our values of Compassion, Integrity, Collaboration, Effectiveness, Efficiency, and Transparency. They are working. We thank our donors for their confidence in what we do. We couldn't be doing this work without them, and the world is a better place because of them.



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