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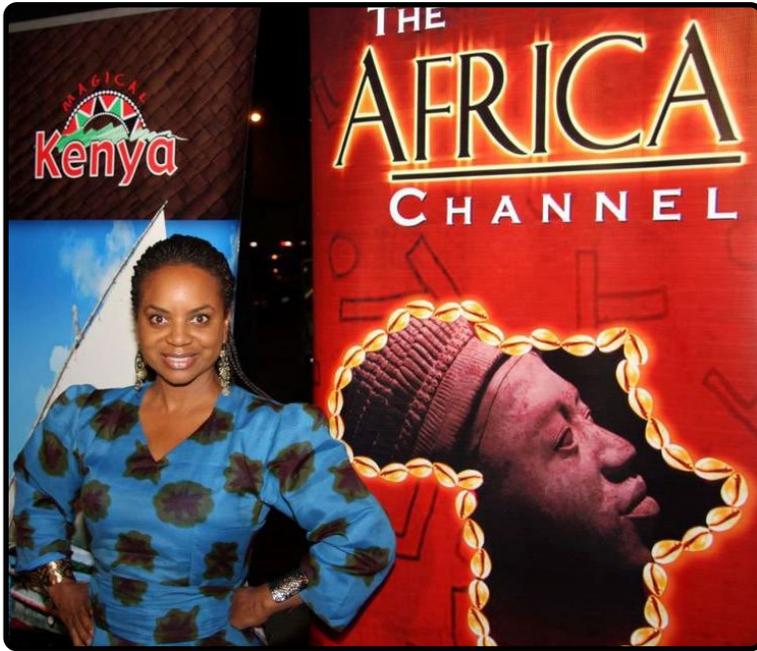
MISSION & VISION

MISSION

To provide life changing opportunities to rescued children and youth living within impoverished villages around the world through education, life skills and enrichment activities.

VISION

I CAN FLY International imagines the world free of abuse, oppression and crimes committed against defenseless children and youth. We envision girls in the developing world having the chance to live up to their GOD-given potential by exercising their basic freedom to access education while in pursuit of their dreams.



LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER

Hello,

This year we stepped out on faith in ways we could only dream of. We were featured on a prime time television news program in Kenya highlighting injustice against girls. We also served the highest number of children and youth in the history of our organization. A new era was set in motion with the implementation of our Power in Pads Initiative and our participation in a community- wide Female Genital Mutilation Sting Operation. We also realized our message could reach more children by conducting gender rights trainings and sanitary pad distribution at a dozen primary and secondary schools within a 20 mile radius. Almost 1,000 children were reached. It was an amazing year of innovative ideas and transition that we look forward to continuing.

Always,

Sha' Givens, Founder

I Can Fly International Inc.,
Isaiah 40:31 "Mount Up"

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GIRLS ON THE RUN: In Need of a Hiding Place



Running in the midst of danger is often the only way to survive for girls as young as 9 years old. Forced early marriage, female genital mutilation and sexual violence ravages the lives of many young girls living in remote villages. With fear in their eyes some choose to speak up and identify their perpetrators.

Once they gain the courage to speak out, they are compelled to run-a-way. Their lives are at risk. Being considered an outcast by family members keeps them ostracized and alone although the crimes committed against them were not their fault.

Many arrive alone, others with babies in hand and a few show up already impregnated. The I Can Fly Rescue project works 24 hours per day, helping survivors create new paths for their lives. We provide court appearance assistance, social services, shelter, food, education and more...

We hide them. We protect them. We empower them.

Psalm 46:1

**“God is our refuge
and strength, a very
present help in times
of trouble**



OVERVIEW 2019



WHAT WE DO:

RESCUE

EDUCATE

GIVE HOPE

1,229

**CHILDREN
REACHED IN
REMOTE VILLAGES
OF KENYA**

Programs Projects Outreach

- I Can Fly High School
- I Can Fly Pre-Schools
- I Can Fly Rescue Center
- ICF Scholars Program for Graduates
- Female Genital Mutilation Sting Operation
- Power in Pads Initiative

\$140,983

EDUCATION



Educational services were provided for **1, 229** children from five counties in Kenya. Boys and girls ages 0-18 years old who are affected by forced early marriage, female genital mutilation, child labor, sexual violence, incest, teen/child pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, abandonment, and extreme poverty participated in one or more of our programs.

181 primary and secondary school level students received tuition fees, housing, meals, uniforms, school supplies, desks, beds, books, enrichment activities, field trips, and science equipment. We participated in a regional science competition and won first place in the 11 Grade Chemistry category.

44 students were provided early childhood education classes six days per week. **8** college/university and trade-school students received stipends for tuition and housing at various college campuses.



EDUCATION CONTINUED ...



996 Primary and Secondary school students participated in two outreach programs that provided rescue services, shelter, self-esteem workshops, gender rights training, sanitary pad and hygiene kit distribution. The I Can Fly rescue team conducted the Power In Pads Initiative in various local schools where access to life skills is not readily available and female products are scarce due to poverty.

We also provided rescue services through the Female Genital Mutilation Sting Operation to runaway girls seeking refuge from the harmful out-lawed cultural practice. They received shelter and daily trainings during the eight week project.



\$67,876 TRANSPORTATION

Transportation included the purchase of a seven-seater, off-road vehicle to assist with logistical needs and extended travel within the country. Travel fees were also provided to students traveling ten hour distances to and from school via chartered buses and private vehicles. Emergency vehicles were rented for rescue efforts to ensure safety of trauma victims and survivors. Repairs and maintenance was needed for the I Can Fly School bus in addition to the pick-up truck used for food transportation.



\$28,564

DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE



Development and Infrastructure was provided to I Can Fly High School for painting classrooms and exterior buildings. The soccer field project construction consisted of building bleachers and stairs. A 200 ft. perimeter wall was also constructed on the north side of campus covering the back side of campus. A new septic tank was constructed to accommodate the new plumbing system in the girls bathroom.

\$28,158

FOOD PROGRAM

Students at I Can Fly High School, Pre-school and the I Can Fly Rescue Center were provided meals throughout the year. I Can Fly High School students received special lunches during field trips and extra-curricular events outside of normal school hours. Meals were also provided for children in need of emergency care during rescue operations at the sting operation. All meals included a balanced diet comprised of vegetables, maize, beans and fruits.



\$44,353 OPERATIONS

All programs, projects and outreach services rely on operational expenses that involve administrative support, travel, transportation, printing, mailing, technical support, outreach and fundraising tools. Operational support helps make our organization thrive all year-round. Through each operational expense the funding needed to expand our cause becomes possible.

Our local and international outreach initiatives yielded better outcomes than we could've imagined. For instance, children outside of our normal service population were unaware of their rights to live free of human rights violations.



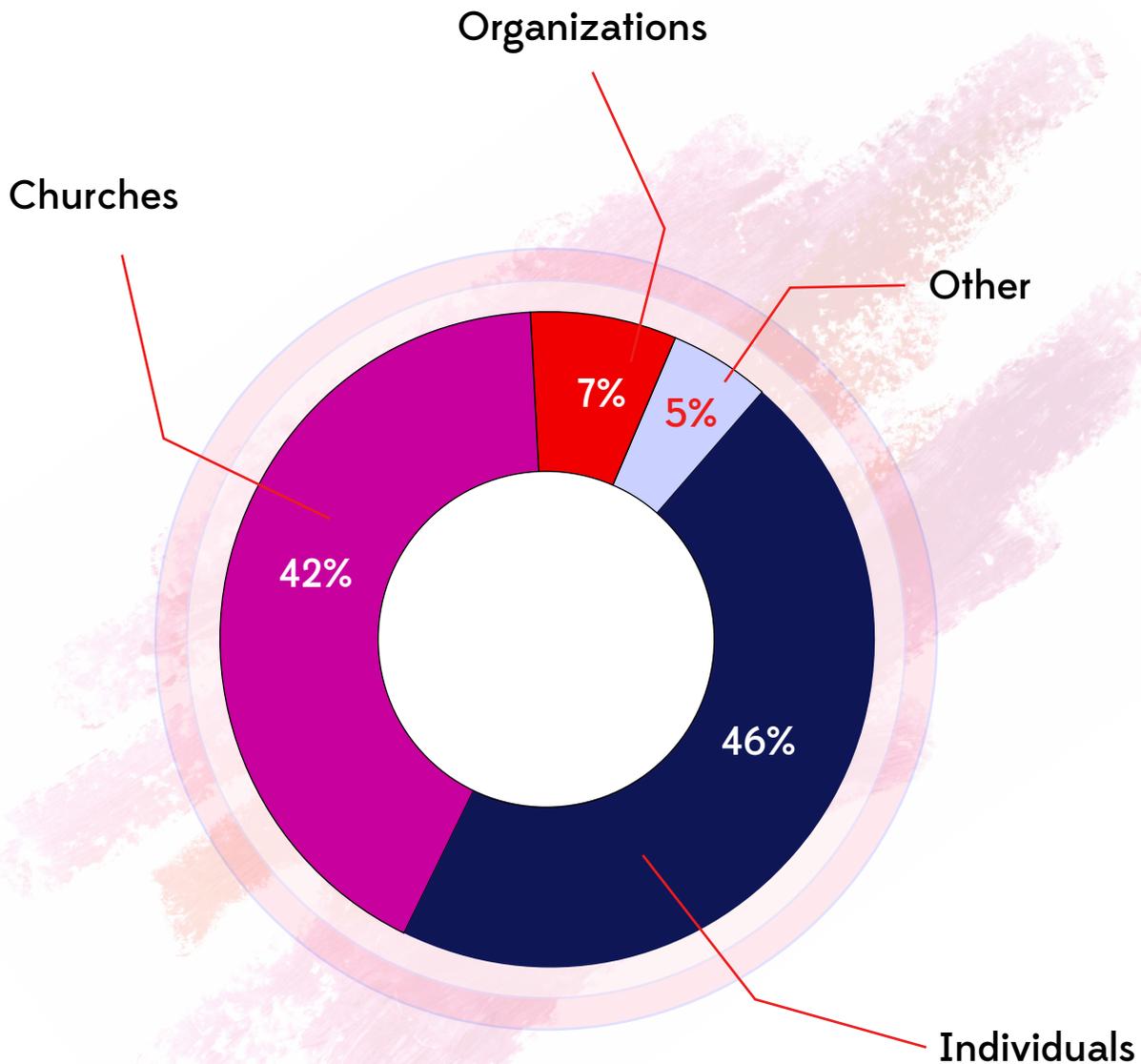
Scores of girls didn't know they had a right to say "NO" to abuse and alert the local authorities. We plan to continue these services in hopes of changing a generation who remained silent not because they wanted to but simply because they didn't know they could do otherwise.



FINANCIALS

\$313,938

REVENUE RECEIVED

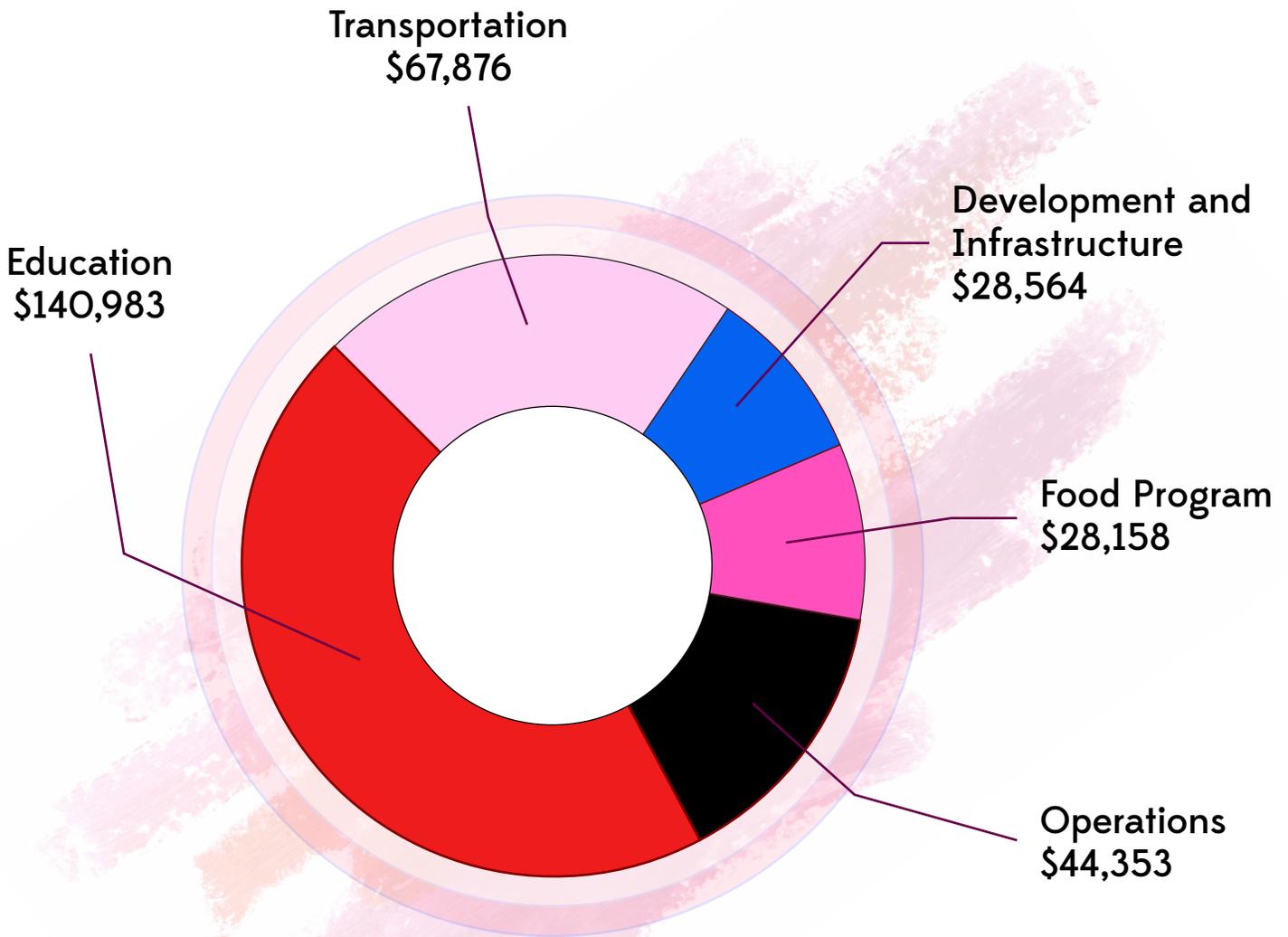


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Total Revenue received by
I Can Fly International

FINANCIALS

\$309,934
TOTAL EXPENSES



Education	\$140,983
Transportation	\$67,876
Development/Infrastructure	\$28,564
Food Program	\$28,158
Operations	\$44,353
Total Amount	\$309,934

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Funds distributed to programs, projects, services and operations



THANK YOU

It takes courage to stand against injustice. It takes strength to rise up when everyone around you is sitting down. We are strong not because we want to be but because we have no other option. We are moving forward toward greatness, letting our light shine every step of the way.

Thank you for your support all year round!

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