

# Northern Magic Fund

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## Happy Holidays from our Family to Yours!

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Northern Magic Fund 571 Brookridge Crescent Ottawa, ON K4A 1Z3 As we approach the festive season and the close of another year, we're reminded of the generosity, resilience and shared purpose that continue to define the Northern Magic Fund. This is a moment to pause, celebrate the progress we've made together, and express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has played a role in our journey.

This year marks an important milestone in Kenya's education system. In 2017, the country began phasing in a new Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC) starting with learners entering Grade One. The goal of the CBC is to develop and nurture essential skills such as critical thinking, problemsolving, and collaboration which is in stark contrast to the heavy emphasis on memorization and rote learning that defined the previous system.

Replacing the former structure which consisted of eight years of primary school and four years of secondary school, the Competency-Based Curriculum consists of six years of Primary School, followed by three years of Junior School (still housed within the Primary School environment), and then three years of Senior Secondary.

The first cohort of CBC learners have just now completed their Grade Nine studies and we look forward to

receiving application forms from students who will be among the very first to attend Senior Secondary School under the new curriculum beginning in January 2026.

Although the primary focus of the Northern Magic Fund has been to provide a secondary school education to as many students as our funding allows, we have also been able to provide University scholarships to a small number of exceptional students.

Some of you may remember that during the first year of the pandemic, when schools in Kenya were closed, we redirected the secondary school funds to extend scholarships to post-secondary applicants. The students who were the beneficiaries of those scholarships have now completed their studies.

It is our pleasure to share with you some of the heart-warming messages we received from three of our university graduates.

#### PATRICIA AMINA

I graduated at South Eastern Kenya University and am now home in Kilifi. My university journey wasn't easy but with the help of the Northern Magic Fund, I studied very hard and earned my Bachelor of Education with Second Class Honours (Upper Division). Since last year, I have

been working as a teacher at Chumani Junior Secondary School.

I express my profound thanks for your sponsorship on my education. Your generosity has



opened doors for me that were once only dreams. It is a privilege and an aspiration to have been chosen as a recipient of your sponsorship. Because of your support, I am equipped to thrive academically and pursue my career aspirations with vigor. I am motivated to excel and give back to the community in kind. Thank you once again.

ELVINA CHARO

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your endless support from my high school years until campus level. I hereby inform you that I graduated with my Bachelor of Nursing degree. I have since been hustling here and there working in private hospitals until this past July



when I was enrolled in the internship program for nurses. This is a one year contract that will end next July.

Currently I have a temporary license and I will sit for the Nursing Council of Kenya board exam next year to obtain signments and targets a permanent Nursing practice license.

Again, thanks for always encouraging me to work hard at school. Your support made a huge positive impact in my life and I thank you for that. Northern Magic made

While at school, you always made life simpler and this favoured me in terms of studying moments. Thank you so much for every step to ensure I end up successful during student life.

EVANS KESI

I would love to pass my deepest thanksgiving to the Northern Magic Fund for the special kindness they have granted me. I have now graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering with Second Class Honours (Upper Division).

It is an amazing feeling to have completed my program. I am doing great and have started to get small electrical contracts here in Mombasa.

Through the Northern Magic Fund, my dream profession has come true. I have already applied for internships to various industries, including those where I did my exter-

nal attachments. I hope I will be favoured and called to start my internship soon.

I have plans to form my own telecommunication company in the future. I have no time to rest since I always set asfor myself. I love innovation and creativity.

Again, as I have said, it is an overwhelming feeling to have achieved this long-time goal. The journey was not easy but sure the path was as smooth as possible.



Thank you for supporting me. Your endless generosity and kindness have made possible what once seemed impossible.

We trust you share our pride as we offer our sincere congratulations to all of our graduates and wish them every success in their future endeavours.

Thank you to each and every one of you for helping us 'Keep the Magic Alive!'

On behalf of all of us at the Northern Magic Fund, we wish you and yours a wonderful holiday season!

### Share the Magic!

With so many worthy causes vying for your donation dollars, we are grateful to all of you who have chosen to entrust your donation to the Northern Magic Fund. In order to continue our good work, we need help throughout the year. New donors are few. May we ask your assistance?

When you are with friends, family and colleagues, help us spread the word. Please mention our fund and the great work we are all doing. We appreciate that one of the reasons you support us is that unlike other charities, many with very high administrative costs,

this Fund is wholly volunteer run, and apart from minimal expenses, your donation goes directly to the cause you intended—the education of Kenyan

There are many ways you can help us Share the Magic:

- Directly sponsor a student your commitment of \$40 per month will give a child the lasting gift of a secondary school education.
- Make a contribution to the Fund for the general pool of students.



- Host a fundraiser
- And most important of all, help us spread the word!

However you choose to help, your donation is greatly appreciated. A tax receipt will be issued for donations of \$25 or more.