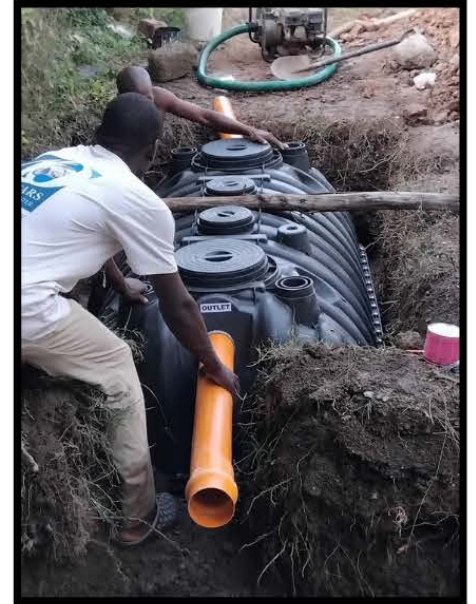


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KENYA UPDATE

We are excited to announce our opening of the Awasi Education Centre in January 2025! This primary school will serve orphaned and vulnerable children in Kenya. Thank you to everyone who supported our work over the last 12 years. These past few months we installed our septic tank, fitted students for uniforms, purchased desks and prepared our classrooms!



In 2025 we will have students in PP1 (preschool), PP2 (kindergarten), Grade 1 and Grade 2. We will add an additional class each year. We will send updates from opening day in just a few weeks!



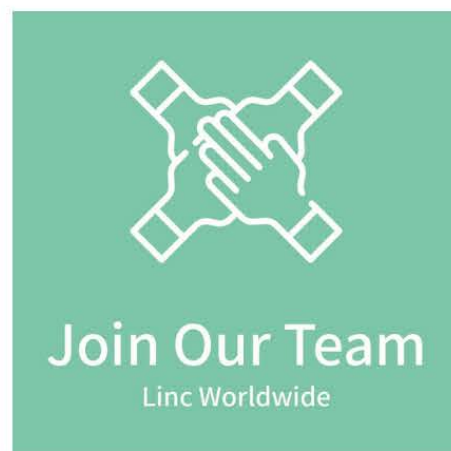
SPONSOR A CHILD

Thank you to those who participated in our recent Child Sponsor Campaign. We have individuals committed to sponsor 50 children! We still have 11 children in need of sponsorship for the 2025 school year. Please consider your ability to commit to \$50/month for the 2025 school year to allow us to enroll these remaining children. Follow the link below to review our child profiles and to sponsor a student.



LINC UP DAYS

We are proud to have supporters and volunteers all around the country. In efforts to strengthen the LINC family, we launched our first LINC Up Days in October. These are casual gatherings throughout the country where LINC volunteers and supporters can enjoy activities together and THRIVE- such as hiking, biking, walking, etc. We hope to bring together supporters of all ages and various interests. Our first LINC Up Days were hosted in Phoenix (Arizona with a hike), Stow (Ohio with a run) and Munroe Falls (Ohio with a walk). Our next LINC Up Days will be in February 2025. Times, locations, and activities will be sent out in January. We hope to see you at one of our LINC Up Days! If you have a location or activity you would like to see on the list, please email linc@lincworldwide.org.



VOLUNTEER

We have several CORE Volunteer positions open. Check out the link below for a list of our current needs. Interested in helping with our 10th Fore the Kids Golf Outing? Contact kayla.hromada@lincworldwide.org. Interested in helping with our 3rd Live.Love.Thrive. Run? Contact david@teamcarpenter.org. Dates for both events coming soon.

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Meet Jill and Mike Burke – devoted LINC supporters! They have been married 25 years. Mike grew up in Alliance, Ohio. Jill was born in San Francisco but grew up in Knoxville, Tennessee. They have two adopted sons from Rwanda. Pacifique is getting his PHD from Kent State. He currently lives in Rwanda and works for Kent State recruiting in Africa and developing a study abroad relationship with Kent State and the University of Rwanda. He was married on September 14 of this year. His wife Raissa was born and raised in Rwanda. Their second son is Fandira. He graduated from the University of Cincinnati in 2023 and works as a Chemical engineer in Cincinnati.

Mike is retired after spending his career as an accountant in the hotel industry and the last 25 years in the non-profit industry. Jill has spent her entire career in the hotel industry and is currently a Regional Vice President for Choice Hotels. They enjoy volunteering, hiking, traveling to Rwanda and Cincinnati to visit their sons, and traveling to Northern Louisiana to visit Mike's brother and his family. Mike heard about LINC as a member of the Knights of Columbus and volunteered at our golf outing in 2023.



2024 RECAP

Another amazing year with our supporters and volunteers! We want to thank everyone for their involvement this year. We hosted our 9th Fore the Kids Golf Outing and 2nd Live.Love.Thrive Run. Together these raised over \$33,000! Thank you to those who donated on Giving Tuesday, you raised \$1,126. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Fr. Maruskin Council for raising \$987 for LINC at their Santa Event this December.