## **Great***Escape* Foundation

"Imagine all the people..."

We are not out to save the world. Our goal is much more important than that.

We want to help people help themselves—one person at a time!

The <u>GreatEscape Foundation's</u> twin giving strategies since its creation in 2000, are to educate children (both boys and *girls*) and empower them to have a brighter future than they would have without any education; and to help promising entrepreneurs (96% women) help themselves and their families through the revolutionary process of interest and fee-free micro-loans.

No, we're not out to save the world, that's delusional, but by doing small things we have noticed that those small things begin to add up and make a **BIG** difference. Small gestures do help.

They help transform someone's unnurtured mind.

They help children gain knowledge and confidence.

They help parents feed, clothe and educate their children.

They help motivate those needing hope.

We have found that sometimes just showing that you care can make a world of difference.

And we continue our simple efforts—<u>because they work!</u> The results we have witnessed over the last decade have been immediate, positive and real. We know that our strategy is assisting many—one at a time—in their great escape from the poverty trap.

And trust us please when we tell you that every little bit does help when you live on less than \$2.00 a day!

Our plans are simple...we want to do more of the same.

We have already helped **more than 3,350 families in 76 countries** with our over \$148,000 in interest free micro-loans...we want to help more!

We have already built **thirteen co-ed elementary schools**...we want to build more!

We have already built **one all-girl's secondary school**...we want to build more!

We have helped build the first ever **nomadic tribes nurse training center** that has trained dozens of traditional birth attendants...we want to build more!

We have helped build the first ever **nomadic tribes medical clinic** that has treated over tens of thousands of patients and delivered over 2,500 healthy babies...we want to build another!

Simply put...we want to help more people help themselves.



Ugandan Farmers Co-op



**Cambodian Produce Merchants** 



Peruvian Farmers Co-Op



Tamesna Medical Clinic, Niger



**Indonesian Cattle Farmers** 



Mali Farmers



**Bolivian Woman Merchants** 



Elementary School, Sri Lanka



Elementary School, Sierra Leone



Al-Girls Secondary School, Kenya



Grade School, Ecuador



Elementary School, India



Tamesna Training Center, Niger



(Mid-wife, Solar & Life Training)



## **The Global Scavenger Hunt**

trusting strangers in strange lands

## **Doing Good**

Part of our small actions extends to our annual travel event that has our collection of international travelers becoming global volunteers-for-a-day by showing up to lend a hand. Over the last decade, teams have helped at dozens of places in need around the world, including: Nepal, India, Cambodia, Laos, the Philippines, Kenya, Sri Lanka, Ethiopia and Myanmar.

Teams have shown up and just lent a helping hand, and in many cases brought with them vital necessities at: Tibetan refugee camps, orphanages in Laos, hospitals in Cambodia, homeless schools India, hospices in Manila, disabled facilities in Sri Lanka and...



Jayanti Girls Home, Sri Lanka



Jawalakhel Tibetan Refugee Camp, Nepal



Kantha Bopha Hospital, Cambodia



Big Brother Mouse, Laos



Addis Ababa School, Ethiopia



Hospicio de San José, Manila



Dharavi slum Mumbai, India



Eden Disabled Centre, Myanmar



Kaba Aye Boy's School, Myanmar



Delhi School, India



Salaam Baalak Trust Street Kids Working, Delhi



Angkor Hospital for Children, Cambodia