Students at Peter Kirk Elementary School participated in their 12th supply drive over 20 years of programming!
Sister Schools’ mission is to teach compassion, service, and social responsibility to children and young adults in the Puget Sound area and Uganda.

Our dual-impact program partners students in the greater Seattle-area with students in Uganda through supply drives, interactive Skype sessions, and service learning.

Through our programs, students in both countries expand their educational opportunities, engage with their local and world-wide communities, and discover their unique ability to positively impact other people’s lives.

Anne Murawski, a Distribution Team Member, visiting a Uganda partner school in 2018.

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Our Year In Review

Literacy Tour

In July, teachers Katherine Berry, Liz Silva, and Theresa Burton traveled to Uganda to work in our four Literacy Centers. They helped our teaching partners level and categorize the 16,899 books donated by local students the previous fall! English and Literacy teachers at our partner schools will be able to take full advantage of the supplies after a workshop on Just Right Books. They are more prepared than ever to help their students improve their academics!
Sydney Platinum

At our Annual Gala, Sister Schools alumni Sydney Platinum spoke about the impact philanthropy had on her while a student at Fernwood Elementary School. After seeing what a difference she made in Uganda, Sydney threw herself into helping others. She was especially struck by Brandon’s Goal Foundation, which raised money to fight against childhood cancer.

She had no doubt that she could make a big difference and enlisted the help of her father and his 80’s tribute band, Platinum Spandex, to host a charity concert!

Through it all, Sydney still looks back at Sister Schools and the difference she and her classmates made in Uganda. Thanks to Sister Schools, Sydney knows that she CAN and DOES make a difference.

Through this year’s programs, thousands of other children just like Sydney are learning about their power to effect positive change in a world that so desperately needs it. And it starts with us.
This year, 18 local schools participated in the Sister Schools program, collecting 24,278 pounds of supplies! 7 of these schools participated in our second-year program and raised over $5,000 to purchase backpacks in Uganda. With the help of 20 volunteers over 60 hours, we were able to pack and load the 934 boxes on our container, which began its long journey to Uganda in December.

Wine at the Warehouse

In March, supporters of Sister Schools joined us at our Mukilteo Warehouse to send off our Distribution Team, set to leave the following week. We all learned a little about the history of Sister Schools through our origin story, *A Doll Named Karen.*

You can read all about Karen on our website at [http://sisterschools.org/our-story](http://sisterschools.org/our-story).
Over three weeks, Sister Schools delivered school supplies to our 11 Uganda partners, including over 257,000 crayons, pencils, and markers! These valuable materials will keep countless students in school and support educators in their efforts to create safe, reliable environments for learning.

We were also able to distribute 1,000 backpacks to Uganda children who walk several miles to school each day. This was 100% funded by US students!

While in Uganda, Program Director Terry McGill ran into a familiar face at a cardiologist’s office. During a minor medical scare, Terry met Diane, an assistant at the clinic, who quickly recognized him: “You’re Mr. Terry! You came to my orphanage when I was a little girl.” For the past 20 years, Diane has kept a photograph of them sharing Tic-Tacs at Naguru Reception Center and now volunteers there, helping children just like her!

Little things really do make a difference!
A New Literacy Center at Ntawo

During our Distribution Trip, Terry also had the opportunity to dedicate our fifth Literacy Center at Ntawo Primary School. Previously, the administration had utilized the space between two buildings as its library, installing shelves and a small roof. Now, 382 students have daily access to over 700 books. This would not have been possible without the generosity of the Jones Family Foundation and OAC.

Thank you!

In May, Sister Schools was lucky enough to co-host an Evening of Jazz with Overton Berry and Jeff Davies. A feature at our annual gala for several years, the pair graciously donated their time and talent once more to raise funds for the Sister Schools program. It was a night to remember!
Fernwood Benefit Concert

The 12th Annual Fernwood Benefit Concert was once again a huge success! The Bad Monkeys Marimba Band raised $5,036.47 for Literacy Training in Uganda! It was an incredible night sharing the impact our children had in Uganda with their families, neighbors, and friends.

After a whirl-wind trip, it was back to school for Sister Schools! We returned to our 18 local partners to show students the impact they made half a world away. Through our unique Return Presentations, children in our neighborhoods learn that no matter who they are, they can always make a difference in someone else’s life. We leave each presentation with the same message:

“If you can change lives in Uganda, imagine what you can do right here at home.”
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