As I end my final full year as the Tanzanian Children's Fund's Executive Director, in many ways I am closing out an exciting chapter of our organization's history. But with 2017 being another year full of milestones, it is hard to feel anything but excitement for the road ahead.

This year we enrolled the first two of our RVCV children in University, celebrated with four KLR students who completed their educations and prepared for the leadership transition that will take shape in 2018. In addition, we continued to make progress at Oldeani Secondary, built on our success at Gyetighi Primary and watched in awe as our first Microfinance Intern transformed our handcrafts initiative into a viable and profitable enterprise for women from this area.

As I think about all that we have accomplished since we began our work together, I am amazed at the change we have been able to create in what feels like a flash. As you continue to learn about our progress in 2017, please know that it was you who made such strides possible.

Thank you for joining me on this wild ride of transforming a generation. I hope you share my incredible excitement for the chapter ahead.

With heartfelt gratitude,
India Howell
Creating a home for children
Transforming communities
Building futures in Tanzania
In 2008, Jacob Clement came to TCF after his graduation from Gyetighi Primary School determined to continue his education and attend secondary school. Bright, ambitious, and oozing with talent, we couldn’t say no to Jacob and his dreams.

While we searched for a sponsor to support him, we made Jacob our first and only Gyetighi Primary School Playground Manager. We had him move into Serengeti House, allowing him to earn money while having the space, support, and capacity to continue his studies at night.

Within a year, Jacob was enrolled in Form 1 at Makumera Secondary. Not only did Jacob graduate from Secondary School at the top of his class, with the support of TCF, Jacob earned his college diploma and achieved his dream of becoming a successful ranger in Serengeti National Park.

Seeing the success Jacob achieved, in 2011 his mother, Mama Maua, came to work at the Rift Valley Children’s Village in order to earn an income that would allow her to send her youngest son to secondary school. Having accomplished her goal, this year, Jacob built his mother a home to retire in.

By giving Jacob the opportunity to capitalize on his own ambition, we empowered him and his family to find a path out of generational poverty.
We first met Neema Karoli when she arrived at our Rural Community Health Clinic. Unaccompanied by an adult, we immediately grew concerned about what home may have been like for Neema. In January of 2008, Neema joined our forever family. Once she felt safe, Neema was finally able to focus inside the classroom and has been a star student ever since.

Neema, who can only be described as the sweetest teenage girl you could ever meet, now holds big dreams for the future. This summer, Neema enrolled in her A-Level studies, the necessary precursor to attending University in Tanzania. With dreams of one day helping the children of Tanzania overcome many of the challenges she faced before joining our family, Neema will take courses to prepare her for a future in social work.

Neema is just 1 of our 34 RVCV teenagers enrolled in their higher educations. With our children studying social work, fashion, medicine, and law, we know that their futures will only continue getting brighter.
As we watched Kizzie skip to the playground and get lost in a game of tag, we smiled as she embraced the many joys of childhood. In that moment, we were reminded that too often children in the Oldeani region of Tanzania don’t get to be kids.

The outcomes of extreme, generational poverty force them to work long hours on top of their schooling, become the primary caretakers of their younger siblings, or seek employment to help their family make ends meet.

By growing up at RVCV, Kizzie has been given a second chance at childhood. Instead of being forced to grow up too soon, she will be raised in a home where playtime matters, where creativity is encouraged, and laughter is frequent.

And if there is any lesson we’ve learned through our work, it’s that there is nothing more important than letting kids be kids.
we led a community of 10,000 toward a path out of poverty.

Helping 5,500 children discover brighter futures.

In 2017

As we continued to transform a generation
We believe that all children should grow up feeling like they are the center of the universe. At the Rift Valley Children’s Village (RVCV), we provide a loving home and forever family to 97 orphaned and marginalized children in the Oldeani region of Northern Tanzania. Raised to be passionate and thoughtful, by growing up at RVCV, our children are given the tools and support they need to capitalize on their own ambition and pursue their dreams.

In addition to our forever family, we are also dedicated to helping all children and families in our community find a path out of poverty. Through a combination of providing early-childhood education, college scholarships, and employment opportunities, we are making brighter futures for a community of 10,000 possible.
130 children supported by RVCV (includes daycare and Kids Living with Relatives)

34 RVCV children in post-secondary (University, College, Vocational School, and A-Levels)

First 2 RVCV children enrolled in University

89 students have earned their degrees through the support of TCF

85 volunteers welcomed at RVCV

23 RVCV graduates:

Standard 7: 8  Form 4: 9  A-Levels: 2  Vocational School: 4
Recognizing that education is one of the most powerful tools in the fight against generational poverty, we are dedicated to providing the best quality education to the children in our community.

In order to ensure our efforts are inclusive and sustainable, we have partnered with the government to manage two public schools – Gyetighi Primary and Oldeani Secondary - that together serve nearly 850 students. In addition to co-managing the day-to-day operations at each school, with the government contributing less than $5 per student per academic year, TCF is responsible for covering the costs of infrastructure, lunch programs, teacher salaries and trainings, and school materials.
Students at **Gyetighi Primary School**: 476

All students enjoyed a free morning snack and lunch each school day.

100% of Standard 7 students received a B or above on the National Exam.

89% of students felt more encouraged to ask questions.

86% of students felt more confident in their learning.

100% of Standard 7 students passed the National Exam.

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Students at **Oldeani Secondary School**: 371

100% of students conducted science experiments supported by a qualified science technician.

19% increase in students qualifying for higher education.

96% of Form 2 students passed the National Exam.

98% of teachers received professional development.
With the nearest hospital being over three hours away by foot, we have made access to medical care for our children and community a top priority. We provide our entire catchment area with free, high-quality care at our Rural Community Health Clinic. In addition to providing preventative health screenings to every student enrolled at our partner schools, our on-site Registered Nurse treats an average of 23 patients a day. To meet all of the health needs of our community, our Rural Community Health Clinic hosts visiting teams of optometrists, neurologists, and dentists to ensure that even the most specialized care is available to our community.

For patients requiring more extensive medical intervention, we partner with FAME Africa which has a 25-bed hospital, full outpatient clinic, and extensive diagnostic facilities in the nearest town. TCF not only provides our community with free transportation to FAME’s facilities, but also covers medical expenses for all women, children, and the elderly.
All adults received deworming medication and essential vitamins every quarter.

All 847 children enrolled at partner schools received preventative health screenings.

6 children supported through supplemental nutrition initiative.

23 patients receiving care each day.

6,412 patients treated.
For many generations, seasonal coffee picking was the only employment opportunity available to families living in our remote corner of Tanzania. With the lack of opportunity leading to annual incomes under $150, parents were left helpless in the fight against generational poverty. Too often children had to drop out of school or work long hours on top of their studies in order help their family make ends meet.

To ensure that children could experience childhood, in 2008 we launched our Microfinance Program and have since helped more than 700 entrepreneurs provide for their families and put food on the table. With access to increasing loans, foundational business support, and programs like our handcrafts initiative, average incomes in our area have more than doubled.
$18,369 in sales for the Rift Valley Women's Group in 2017

15 women participating in handcrafts initiative known as the Rift Valley Women's Group

410 women served by our program

66% of clients are women

2,480 family members supported by Microfinance Program incomes

620 active clients
Investing in change
A Letter from our Treasurer

To our supporters and friends:

We have much to celebrate this year, which marks the 15th Anniversary of TCF. Thanks to your generous and consistent support, TCF is having a direct and lasting impact on the children and families that are part of the Rift Valley community. From a financial perspective, TCF is stronger than ever. In 2017, we received approximately $2,222,833 in contributions and other revenues. At year-end 2017, we had approximately $3,330,296 in our investment accounts. As you know, this financial well-being translates directly into our ability to provide a brighter future for the children under TCF’s care.

Your donations have allowed TCF to continue its many impactful programs at the Children’s Village and in the neighboring community. Of the many milestones achieved in 2017, I would highlight:

- At Gyetighi Primary School, fully 100% of our Standard 7 students passed the National Exam;
- At Oldeani Secondary School, we saw an 19% increase in students qualifying for higher education (college or university);
- Our Rural Health Clinic treated over 6,400 patients this year; and
- Our Microfinance Program now has 620 clients, 66% of which are women.

On the expenditure side, our total expenditures in the U.S. and Tanzania for fiscal year 2017 were approximately $1,651,100. Of that amount, approximately 84% was spent directly on programs in Tanzania with the remaining 16% allocated to general overhead (including our valuable U.S. operations team).

While we will continue to invest in the infrastructure needed to carry out our mission, the Board’s focus has been and will continue to be on using your donations to make a direct and lasting impact on the lives of marginalized children in Tanzania.

The members of the Board and Directors of TCF are committed to using the monies received from donors to promote the long-term success of the children at the Children’s Village, and to advance the health of all members of the Oldeani community. On behalf of the Board of Directors, and the entire TCF Community, thank you for making this possible.

R. Todd Cronan, Treasurer
July 2018

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2017 Financials

Revenue:
- Foundations and Corporations: 33.90%
- Individuals: 57.57%
- Investment Income: 2.88%
- Schools and Clubs: 1.55%
- Other: 4.10%

Expenses:
- Programs: 83.82%
- Development: 8.02%
- Management: 8.16%
“For the past 15 years, we have been giving our community the tools and support they need to survive.

Now it’s time to give them the brighter futures we promised.”

- Peter Leon Mmassy, Co-Founder
Thank You to our Team, Board and Partners

We are forever grateful to those who have joined us in loving and caring for the children who call RVCV home. We continue to be humbled by the dedication of so many and the incredible sacrifices our board, team, and partners have made to help our community of 10,000 discover brighter futures. To our hardworking staff, senior leadership, loving house mamas, teachers, volunteers, and partners, thank you for empowering us to transform a generation.

Over the past year, TCF’s Board of Directors has guided us through our toughest challenges, advised us on plans for expansion, and helped us map our road ahead. We want to thank them for their service and share our appreciation for their unwavering dedication.

2017 Board of Directors: Peggy Bacon, Sallie Bear, Todd Cronan, Jody Drake, Eleanor Doar, Will Gray, Linda Hayes Kirsten Heinemann, India Howell, Peter Leon Mmasay, Jim Schubauer, and Rob Rosser

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