



## Sponsor Spotlight



We are so grateful for our sponsors and would love to share about some of them.

Meet Erin and Kathy O'Donovan

### **Tell us a little about yourself.**

*Erin* lives in Annapolis, works at Nestle, and has a dog named Wickley. She sponsors two midshipmen on the football team at the Naval Academy so she spends a lot of time cheering on the Navy sports teams and exploring the city.

*Kathy* is the mother of 3 children. Erin is her middle child and only daughter. She has two sons (Conor and Sean) and one granddaughter (Maeve). Kathy is married to Terry and they live in a neighborhood close to Annapolis called Sherwood Forest. She enjoys staying active - pickleball and doing yoga are two of her favorite activities.

### **How did you hear about Mesha's Village and what made you want to sponsor through us?**

*Erin:* Jordan and I both went to Vanderbilt for business school and used to work together at Deloitte. I learned about it through her Instagram, and my mom and I couldn't resist the smiling faces of all the kids Mesha's Village supports!

*Kathy:* Erin told me about the program and showed me pictures of the children who were available to sponsor. Seeing their adorable, smiling faces was the original hook for me. I immediately felt the need to contribute to the program in some way. When Erin told me more about how Mesha's Village worked, I really liked the fact we would be connected with one child through the sponsoring process. I also thought it was a good system that sponsors were asked to make a long-term commitment to their child's educational experience. The continuity of the program over a period of time and being able to watch our sponsor child (Jaden) develop over the years of his schooling really appealed to me.

### **What excites you most about sponsoring a child in need?**

We love knowing that we are helping Jaden get access to education and resources he otherwise wouldn't be able to access. Setting the foundation for the future is so important. We look forward to supporting him for years to come!

### **How has your experience been with Mesha's Village so far?**

Amazing! We've really enjoyed and appreciated getting updates about what's going on with the program. Mesha's Village is great about keeping the lines of communication open on a regular basis. And, of course, we love seeing the pictures of Jaden in his school setting. He always seems to have a smile on his face.



Stay Connected!

**Can't get enough of our kids?**

Follow us on instagram [@meshasvillage](https://www.instagram.com/meshasvillage) to see more, and follow their school [@haradalipreprimary](https://www.instagram.com/haradalipreprimary).

## Summer Birthdays

We are celebrating many Mesha's Village birthdays this time of year! Happy birthday to all!

# Let's Celebrate!



Happyness  
turned 9 on 6/1



Myra  
turned 5 on 6/9



Nuraida  
turned 4 on 6/10



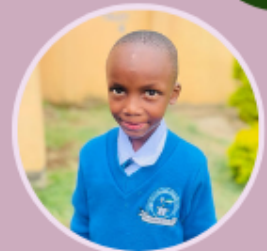
Nurat  
turned 4 on 6/10



Brightness  
turned 8 on 6/28



Junior M.  
turned 10 on 6/23



Dhulqarnayn  
turned 9 on 6/28



Faithani  
turned 9 on 7/2



Abdul  
turned 11 on 8/8



Aisha  
turns 11 on 8/20



Edson  
turns 7 on 8/21



If you or anyone you know is interested in sponsorship, becoming a Mesha's Village member, or making a one-time donation please visit [www.meshasvillage.com](http://www.meshasvillage.com) or email [meshasvillage@gmail.com](mailto:meshasvillage@gmail.com)



# 2024 Back to School Bingo!

\$10 MV Goodie Bags	\$10 MV Goodie Bags	\$10 MV Goodie Bags	\$10 MV Goodie Bags	\$15 Soccer ball for Ebenezer
\$15 Soccer ball for Ngerasero	\$15 Soccer ball for Haradali	\$15 Soccer ball for Haradali	\$15 Chalk & Erasers for Ebenezer	\$15 Chalk & Erasers for Ngerasero
\$20 Beans for Ngerasero	\$20 Rice for Ngerasero	\$20 Beans for Ngerasero	\$20 Rice for Ngerasero	\$20 Sanitary products
\$20 Beans for Ebenezer	\$20 Rice for Ebenezer	\$20 Beans for Ebenezer	\$20 Rice for Ebenezer	\$20 Sanitary products
\$30 Backpacks- Mesha & Junior	\$30 Backpacks- Mariam & Sharifa	\$30 Backpacks- Abdul & Godlove	\$30 Tooth brushes & Toothpaste	\$30 Handsoap

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\$30 Lollipops for kids	\$30 Cookies	\$30 Cookies	\$30 Sandwich Supplies	\$30 Socks & Underwear
\$30 Arts & Crafts	\$35 Hand Sanitizer	\$35 Hand Sanitizer	\$40 School shoes & Sneakers - Sharifa	\$40 School shoes & Sneakers - Junior
\$40 School shoes & Sneakers - Godlove	\$40 School shoes & Sneakers - Mariam	\$40 School shoes & Sneakers - Mesha	\$40 School shoes & Sneakers - Abdul	\$40 Crayons
\$50 Educational Workbooks	\$50 Educational Workbooks	\$50 Educational Workbooks	\$50 Educational Workbooks	\$50 Fruit for kids
\$50 Educational Workbooks	\$60 New Uniform - Mesha (pt. 1)	\$60 New Uniform - Mesha (pt. 2)	\$60 New Uniform - Junior (pt. 1)	\$60 New Uniform - Junior (pt. 2)

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\$60 New Uniform - Sharifa (pt. 1)	\$60 New Uniform - Sharifa (pt. 2)	\$60 New Uniform - Abdul (pt. 1)	\$60 New Uniform - Mesha (pt. 2)	\$60 Fidget Spinners
\$60 Coloring Books	\$75 Junior Boarding (1)	\$75 Junior Boarding (2)	\$75 Junior Boarding (3)	\$75 Junior Boarding (4)
\$75 Junior Boarding (5)	\$100 Ice Cream Party	\$100 Watches for Older girls	\$100 Watches for Older boys	\$120 New Uniform - Godlove
\$120 New Uniform -Mariam	\$150 MV Kids T-Shirts	\$150 MV Kids T-Shirts	\$150 Pizza Party (1)	\$150 Pizza Party (2)
\$10 Goodie Bag	\$15 Backpack	\$40 School shoes & Sneakers	\$90 School Supplies	\$120 Uniform

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# Mesha's Village

## Countdown to Tanzania

Our team and several of our sponsors are heading to Arusha in just **3 weeks** – we can't wait to see the kids!



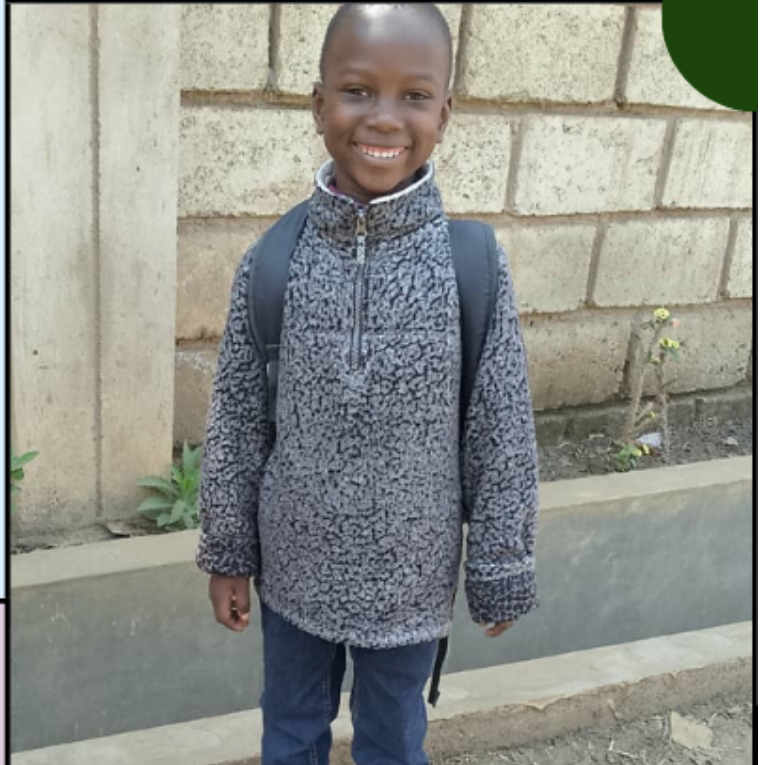
## Swahili Sayings

### **"Bahari" means "Ocean"**

In conversing with the children and our local friends, we have learned a bit about Swahili, the native language in Tanzania. As an organization rooted in education, we want to share some of what we have learned with you.

## **For active MV sponsors:**

Don't forget to set up your profile and turn on notifications on our sponsorship management portal, Clarity so that you get notified whenever we post updates!  
([www.giveclarity.co](http://www.giveclarity.co))



## New Kid!

We are so excited to have Kaithan joining the MV family! Kaithan is the younger brother of Hawa, another MV kid. Kaithan brings us to 54 sponsored kids!