



PROPOSAL BRIEF · PERSONAL SUPPORT

Shoe Donation — Steps to School

\$15	Provides one pair of school shoes
\$150	Outfits a full classroom (10 pupils)
Goal	150 pairs this term

Many children at Kivutis Academy walk long distances on rural roads to reach school, some barefoot or in shoes that no longer protect their feet from stones, thorns, and cold mornings on the Embu highlands. A sturdy pair of school shoes is a small item with an outsized effect: it keeps a child healthy, protects against jigger infestation and foot injuries, and removes one more reason a family might keep a child home.

Since 2024, Kivutis Academy's community outreach has already distributed backpacks and personal items to more than 100 pupils, and shoes are the next most urgent gap our teachers and parents identify. Through the Steps to School programme, a gift of \$15 provides one pair of durable, correctly sized school shoes, sourced locally in Embu to support small businesses while keeping costs predictable. A gift of \$150 outfits an entire classroom of ten children for the year.

Every pair is fitted at school by our staff, distributed with parents present, and logged against the child's name so donors receive confirmation their gift reached a real student. Our goal for this term is 150 pairs, prioritizing Grade 1 pupils, ECD learners, and children identified by teachers as walking the farthest distances. Correctly fitting shoes measurably reduce missed school days caused by foot infections and cold-related illness in this region's rainy season.

Founder Dr. Chris Kivuti built this school on the belief that no child should be kept from learning by circumstances beyond their control; a shoe donation is one of the most direct, tangible ways a donor can remove a barrier a child faces every single morning. Contributions of any size are welcome and are pooled to reach full pairs, with donors informed of the specific child or class impacted where possible, subject to family consent and our safeguarding guidelines.

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