Vision:
A Sierra Leone where good education is a normal part of every child’s life

Mission:
Enhancing quality education in Sierra Leone through local partnerships
Padi Kushe-O!

On behalf of Schools for Salone’s board of directors, I send you our deepest gratitude for making 2018 our most life-changing year ever for children in Sierra Leone.

This past year we completed construction of two new schools and refurbished a third, increasing access to clean, safe schools with sanitation and hygiene facilities for several hundred additional students. Now our team in Sierra Leone is putting the finishing touches on our 25th school, located in Mile 38. Altogether our schools serve over 7,000 students, while instilling a source of pride within each community and offering hope for a better future.

We continue to focus on elevating the quality of education in our schools by providing books and learning materials and offering on-going teacher training in literacy and librarian skills. In 2018 we also stepped up reproductive health education and increased our distribution of reusable feminine hygiene products to almost 2,500 girls and women throughout the country.

In 2019 we plan to add more classrooms to accommodate ever increasing enrollments, expand teacher training, implement after-school reading programs, complete the Mile 38 school, continue to strengthen and expand our Uman Talk menstruation kit and reproductive health program, and much more.

We are excited about all we hope to achieve in the year ahead, and we remain forever grateful for the continuing support you have given. On behalf of all of us at SfS, I wish you the very best in this new year.

Cindy Nofziger
Executive Director
Impact Stats

Students Impacted

- Boys: 3725 (51%)
- Girls: 3513 (49%)

Teachers Trained

- Certification program: 11
- Literacy workshops: 18
- Librarian training: 34

Menstruation Kits Distributed

- To girls in school: 179
- To community women: 501
- To other organizations: 1796
enhancing education access

This year we opened the school in Sulehun, made possible by Larry Snyder and Friends of Sulehun, and started construction on our 25th school at Mile 38.

New School at Gbaama

PFC replaced one school building that had been destroyed and refurbished another unsafe structure. This school was made possible by Garry Jenkins and Julie and Bob Granger. The Grangers served as Peace Corps Volunteers in the village 50 years ago. 254 students are currently enrolled in this school.

New School at Nyedu

Schools for Salone was honored to partner with Terry and Carolyn Gannon and John Koroma to assist with the process of building a school in John’s village. This is the only secondary school in the area and is serving 105 students who are now able to continue their education past primary school.
Early Literacy Workshops

63 teachers actively pursued additional training and skills development.

The Learning Foundation, our on-the-ground education quality partner, began developing two talented teachers as teacher trainers. These teachers learned strategies to coach their peers on how to teach early reading, including letter sounds, consonant-vowel-consonant words, and word building. One of these teachers, Mamusu, successfully led her first workshop at the end of 2018.

“This was a very useful training from which I have gained further insights in teaching children. I am empowered.”
- Marian S. Konneh, teacher at Niagorehun
empowering girls

Over 2,000 women, girls, and boys received reproductive health education. Women in many communities have formed savings groups so women in the community can purchase kits

Our incredible on-the-ground partners, Programme for Children, have distributed over 1,500 menstruation kits this year. Since the beginning of this program, almost 2,500 girls and women have received life-changing menstruation supplies.

Together with PFC, we have also been forming collaborations with other organizations to make these kits available to more women and girls across Sierra Leone.

There have been no cases of teenage pregnancy among students in any of our schools this year!
thank you to our donors

Over 10,000


Over 5,000

Steve & Judy Fihn, Julie & Harker Hearne, Rev Jim Hetzer, John & Mary LaMattina, Steve Levin & Chris Bradshaw, Cindy Nofziger & Bob Heavner, Rotary District 6400 Foundation, Schultz Family Foundation

Over 1,000

financials

Income
$592,800.42

Program 69%

Restrict Donations 32%

Grants 27%

Events 26%

Unrestricted Donations 15%

Fundraising 19%

Operating 12%

Expenses
$553,188.40

looking to 2019

- Expand teacher trainings
- Distribute books & learning materials as needed
- Expand Uman Talk menstruation kit & reproductive health program
- Implement after-school remedial reading programs
- Construct additional classrooms for 3 schools that have outgrown their existing school structures
- Complete the new junior secondary school for a community of vulnerable students at Mile 38
- And more!