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THE GIRLS EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME NEW INTAKE IN JANUARY 2018



We are happy to report a new intake of 25 students in our Girls empowerment programme 2018. We had a very difficult time selecting the 25 girls from a list of 70 needy and qualified girls from all over the country. The GEP programme focuses on girls who wish to be empowered holistically, and girls who are ready to create employment instead of seeking for jobs after completion of the course. The 18 months course is a skill intensive program where the beneficiaries are expected to work as they learn. 60% of the course is practicals while only 40% is theoretical.

We are focusing on girls because survey in Kenya has shown that there are more girls than boys in the villages who do not proceed with secondary or higher education. Most poor families give priority to their sons than daughters and so there are so many girls in the villages who do not further their education.

The GEP programme is here to help the girls to become self reliant and to become leaders in their communities. We are also happy to report that the girls who came to this centre with low esteem and who thought that their lives had come to the end have realized that they can do much better in their future because they are learning very important skills at G-BIACK. The main skills they will gain are GROW BIOINTENSIVE farming, textiles and tailoring, baking and cookery, and computer literacy.

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Donations of any amount help us to reach out to vulnerable families.

G-BIACK is a registered NGO in Kenya, and donations are tax deductible.

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260 Marion Ave., Mill Valley CA 94941 USA—no overhead will be deducted, meaning that 100% of every
donation will be sent to G-BIACK for our programmes.

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