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Subject: Request for Project Consideration: Preventing FGM, Forced Marriage, and School Dropout via Comprehensive Protection and Food Security in Kenya

Dear Program Officer,

I am writing on behalf of Global Mission Services – Kenya (GMS-K) to explore a funding partnership for our upcoming initiative, “Breaking the Cycle: Protecting Girls from FGM, Forced Marriage, and Menstrual Poverty.” We seek to secure a partnership of \$135,000 over a three-year period (\$45,000 annually) to support a critical protection, nutrition, and education framework targeting adolescent girls in the deeply isolated border zones of West Pokot and Turkana Counties, Kenya.

As an organization headquartered and registered as a 501(c)(3) in Washington State, with our President based directly in Tacoma, we offer our United States funding partners a unique asset: the ease of local, face-to-face accountability, direct oversight, and real-time administrative transparency.

The Crisis

In our specific dryland corridors of Kenya, climate-induced poverty and armed cattle rustling have created a dangerous pipeline exploiting adolescent girls. Following livestock losses, families systematically recover economic assets by trading young girls for bridal dowries. To maximize dowry payouts, communities subject girls to illegal Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) to prepare them for immediate, forced marriage. This crisis is further compounded by extreme hunger and period poverty; without an institutional safety net or basic menstrual access, girls drop out of regional middle schools at an alarming rate, losing their only protective institutional space.

Our Response

GMS-K addresses this complex crisis through a lean, high-impact, three-year strategy:

1. **Nutritional Safety Net:** A cross-cutting school feeding program using local maize, beans, rice, and oil, running 2 to 3 times per week, to eliminate hunger-driven truancy and lure at-risk children safely back to the classroom.
2. **Menstrual Health and Dignity:** Distributing reusable menstrual hygiene kits and undergarments to 1,500 schoolgirls to stop period-related absences entirely.
3. **High-Mobility Protection:** Operating off-road mobile rescue units and safe houses in Chesegon and Lomut to extract and rehabilitate girls fleeing imminent violence.
4. **Socioeconomic Transitions:** Delivering rights-based life-skills education, community elder advocacy dialogues, and secondary and higher education scholarships to ensure long-term autonomy.



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Our Budget Model

Our budget model is highly optimized, allocating 88% of all requested funds directly into field operations, with zero real estate costs and strict, auditable logistical asset management plans. Because your organization is a recognized leader in advancing global youth equity, we believe our metrics strongly align with your strategic funding goals for this fiscal cycle.

Next Steps

We have our complete proposal, audited financial statements, IRS determination letters, and field maps prepared for immediate transmission. Our Chief Executive Officer is available to meet with your team in person or on a call to present our full portfolio.

Could we schedule a brief introductory meeting to discuss how we might collaborate?

Thank you for your time, consideration, and leadership in championing global youth dignity.

Sincerely,

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