Dear Friends,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our donors, and all supporters of Books For Africa for another outstanding year. In 2010, we raised $1.6 million and shipped 152 container units of books to Africa. This represents approximately 1.6 million text and library books valued at over $17.2 million shipped to 19 African countries. Thank you, everyone, for your help in sending more books to the children of Africa, where they are so needed by people who want to learn and improve their lives.

Books For Africa is also proud to report that in 2010 the following goals were achieved:

- In April, BFA welcomed to Minnesota His Excellency Daniel Otieno Agyekum, Ghana’s Ambassador to the United States, for our annual fundraising reception. A special Memorandum of Understanding was signed at this event with the Ghana Library Board.
- In May, a special reception was held at the Tanzanian Embassy in Washington D.C. hosted by Tanzanian Ambassador Ombeni Sefue and honoring BFA’s Summit Society donors.
- In May, BFA celebrated the one-year anniversary of the opening of our 20,000-square-foot warehouse in Atlanta, Georgia, dramatically increasing our ability to ship more books to Africa.
- In October, BFA held an African literature conference in partnership with the University of Minnesota. Key participants included keynote speaker Alexandra Fuller from Zimbabwe, Billy Karanja Kahora from Kenya, Uwem Akpan from Nigeria, and Nuruddin Farah from Somalia.
- In November, BFA-commissioned research documenting the positive impacts of book availability upon student literacy and reading achievement levels was presented at the African Studies Association Conference in San Francisco, California, as part of a panel discussion.
- In November, BFA celebrated the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with Thomson Reuters formulating a joint collaboration to send law and human rights books to Africa under the Jack Mason Law & Democracy Initiative.

It has truly been a great year, with so much achieved for the children of Africa. This is very exciting to us and we are proud to report these milestones to you as Books For Africa continues to strive to end the book famine in Africa. Thanks to your compassion, many children will have the opportunity to improve their lives through education and increased opportunity. Thank you for your support. Nothing could have been achieved without the support of you, our faithful donors.

Sincerely,

Tom Gitaa
President

Patrick Plonski
Executive Director

How To Help Support Books For Africa

$75 provides a new atlas or 200 student dictionaries
$210 purchases and sends a new encyclopedia set to a school or library
$2,500 provides books for five rural schools
$9,800 supplies a full sea container of 22,000 books—enough for 20 schools

Cash Gifts
Your cash, check, or credit card gift to Books For Africa can be designated for a specific program or directed to where the need is greatest. All gifts are tax deductible, as specified by law. For your convenience, gifts by credit card can be made directly online at www.booksforafrica.org.

Matching Gifts
Check with your employer about matching gifts. Many companies match employee donations dollar for dollar to the charity of the employee’s choice.

Wills and Other Planned Gifts
Books For Africa can be named a beneficiary in your will and receive other deferred gifts such as life insurance. These gifts are not subject to estate taxes.

Books For Africa Financial Information

Statement of Financial Position 2009 2010

ASSETS
Current Assets 741,364 1,053,551
Book Inventory 3,274,145 3,333,038
Net Property and Equipment 45,724 43,598
TOTAL ASSETS 4,078,366 4,441,044

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS
Current Liabilities 19,345 23,436

NET ASSETS
Unrestricted 473,079 555,784
Temporarily Restricted 5,585,942 3,861,824
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Statement of Activity 2009 2010

SUPPORT AND REVENUES
Contributions 1,825,935 1,746,782
Interest Earned (4,912) 38,055
Books Contributed 18,312,000 17,248,000
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EXPENDITURES
Program Operating Expenses – Overseas 25,855,752 18,467,270
General and Administrative Expenses 140,628 69,082
Fundraising Expenses 158,181 137,898
TOTAL EXPENDITURES 26,154,561 18,674,250

CHANGE IN NET MONETARY ASSETS (70,729) 82,705
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### KILIMANJARO

| $5,000–$9,999 |…|…|
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### Afar for Africa

| $5,000–$9,999 |…|…|
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### Additional Information

- The list is current as of June 30, 2010. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information provided. However, the organization may have changed since this date.
- Thanks to the generosity of its members and friends, the organization is able to continue its important work.
- In addition to the contributions listed, the organization has received in-kind contributions from various sources.
- The organization is grateful for the support of its corporate and individual donors.

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*Note: Special thanks to all donors for their continued support.*
“I hope you have seen the expression on the children’s faces when they pick up a book in the library for the first time. They are always so excited about learning. They are so used to sharing that many times four or five will read the same book together.”

—Gloria Reichmann, returned Peace Corps Volunteer, The Gambia