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Woka Foundation Awards Nurturing Minds Grant to Support Tanzanian Girls

Boston, MA – Boston area based Nurturing Minds, Inc. was recently awarded a \$100,000 grant from the Woka Foundation to continue its work supporting girls in Tanzania. Nurturing Minds supports and partners with Secondary Education for Girls’ Advancement, a Tanzanian non-profit which runs the SEGA Girls’ Secondary School, the Modern Girl Community Outreach Program and a post-secondary school career development and scholarship program. SEGA empowers 1,200 vulnerable girls annually by providing quality education, life skills and entrepreneurship opportunities which allow them to become leaders in their communities.

“Woka Foundation is excited to support Nurturing Minds and the SEGA School in Tanzania because their holistic program of academics, leadership, social responsibility, and environmental care empowers disadvantaged girls to become self-sufficient and break the cycle of poverty,” said Rod Womer, Founder and CEO of Woka Foundation. “SEGA graduates move on to higher education, become involved in community outreach, and develop entrepreneurial programs, leading to greater shared leadership and supporting movement toward community self-reliance and resilience.”

Research has shown that educating girls is one of the best ways to have a positive impact on the environment. Nurturing Minds and Woka Foundation are proud to be champions for education for all girls.

“Nurturing Minds is so thankful and honored to receive a \$100,000 grant from the Woka Foundation. Half of the funds will support our general operations and the other half will go towards Nurturing Minds’ endowment, ensuring the organization’s long-term financial sustainability” said Laura DeDominicis, Executive Director of Nurturing Minds.

A SEGA education leads to continuing education, future employment and ultimately an increased standard of living which provides improved healthcare, food security and housing. SEGA has a 100% pass rate and serves as a model for other boarding schools in Tanzania.

About Nurturing Minds

Nurturing Minds (NM) is a US-based nonprofit whose mission is to support quality education, life skills, and entrepreneurship to help vulnerable girls in Tanzania become leaders in their communities. Nurturing Minds achieves its mission by providing support to SEGA (Secondary Education for Girls’ Advancement) for the development and operation of a quality secondary boarding school, a continuing education scholarship program, and a community outreach program that brings elements of SEGA’s Life Skills program to girls in rural communities throughout Tanzania. For more information visit www.nurturingmindsinafrica.org

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