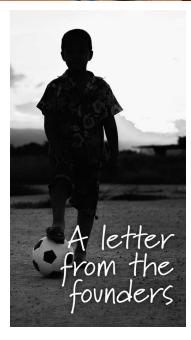
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When we created this idea of Dream Academy more than 9 years ago, our goal was simple: To create meaningful change in the country we deeply care about.

But we did not want to repeat what others were already doing, so we set out to go where other organizations weren't going. We focused on developing, mentoring and inspiring future leaders of Botswana. We wanted to have a unique impact, and to do that, we decided to invest in human potential – to pursue the overlooked corners and spot the unseen opportunities. As a family, we believed in taking chances and creative thinking, supporting the unusual approaches and unproven ideas. By us providing underprivileged youth with quality education and infrastructure of organized youth sports in under-served communities, we further believed it would stimulate the mind, body and soul of our student athletes, which in turn enhances their quality of life.

To see the impact this program provides on a daily basis for the kids in our program we would not be any more proud of our Board Members, staff here and on the ground in Botswana, as they too share our vision and passion for helping us make a difference while looking to "inspire a generation".

Breaking News

Dream Academy along with our partners at Brooke House College are offering a unique opportunity for one talented Under 16 player to pursue a two year soccer and academic scholarship in Leicestershire, England. The lucky winner will be selected from some 350 participants over a 4-week selection process that has gnarred a lot of interest in the local media and communities surrounding Oodi. The winner will join Brooke House Football Academy which has been in existence since 2008, and has over 70 players aged 12-19 from all ethnic backgrounds. To date 12 players have progressed to professional football. This scholarship will allow our lucky student athlete the following:

- Access to a first class education that will prepare him for university
- Be professionally trained daily
- Play against other professional football academies throughout England





Program Progress

Ambassador of Botswana and Embassy staff to Washington DC to be a part of Around the World Embassy Tour. 75 different embassies opened their doors to DC visitors and residents to travel the world as they witnessed different cultures, food, art, fashion, and music of different countries. Dream Academy and our friends at Nacel International School Systems were invited to put up a booth and share about our educational, sports programs and the impact they are having both on the ground and internationally. With this success, we had a lot of enquiries about partnerships, teacher volunteer and college student internship opportunities. We are excited for the opportunities presented, and cannot wait for our future as we grow and look for more ways to share our goal with others.

Thanks to Our Sponsors!

As a nonprofit organization, Dream Academy relies on donors, grants and sponsorship for us to function. As these donations, gifts, and grants are awarded, we are able to provide food, school supplies and adequate safety equipment for our students to participate in sports.

Thanks to our friends at DonateSport.org, all 160 of our campers will have soccer shorts, socks and cleats as they step onto the field to enjoy the beautiful game of soccer. The game of soccer can be truly life changing, and with our sponsors help, our students are learning life lessons while being able to partake in an amazing sport and a quality education.

Future Developments

As part of the chasing Dreams Campaign, starting this July Dream Academy will launch it Inaugural Elite Soccer Academy comprising of

20 talented Under 16 players. This will be our flagship program that will be pride of the community and our organization as these young players will be trained by our qualified coaches and learn how to live and train like a dedicated student athlete. These young athletes will be given an amazing opportunity, and we look forward to being apart of their bright future!



Wrap Up

What an exciting year ahead we have? With many inspiring opportunities ahead for Dream Academy, our kids, and the community, we look forward to taking this journey with you! We have some excitement and optimism on how to develop the program further.

We are very grateful to our donors for the kind gifts that we will have successful campaign launches and a successful third annual camp. We are excited to be on course to complete other projects earmarked for 2018.

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