



## PROGRAM: DALISO SCHOOL SUPPORT PROJECT PACK-A-BAG

### PROGRAM OVERVIEW

**Project Pack-a-Bag** is the Daliso Foundation's school supplies initiative supporting enrolled students in rural Zambia. *The program provides essential **school supplies** — [A backpack filled with notebooks, pencils, pens, crayons, sharpeners, and erasers] to students in **grades 7, 9, and 12** who lack the basic materials required for daily learning.*

By equipping children with essential learning tools, the program strengthens readiness to learn, boosts classroom engagement and confidence, reduces financial strain on families, and fosters a more equitable educational environment. *Access to learning and quality education* opens doors that would otherwise remain closed, empowering students to break cycles of illiteracy and generational poverty for themselves, their families, and their communities.

The Daliso School Support program is implemented in partnership with local schools, community leaders, and volunteers who assist with distribution and follow-up.

### STATEMENT OF NEED

Although public education in Zambia is free, many families in rural communities cannot afford basic school supplies. Poverty is a forever reality for many children in Zambia. Students often attend class without notebooks or writing materials, limiting their ability to participate and succeed academically. This **resource gap** contributes to lower attendance, reduced motivation, and long-term educational disparities. Providing school supplies directly addresses these barriers and supports equitable access to learning.

### ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY & IMPACT

Since 2014, the Daliso School Support program has delivered school supplies, reaching more than **3,500 students across 6 rural schools**. Our long-standing presence reflects consistent program delivery, strong community trust, and responsible resource management.

Teachers report that students are more prepared, exhibit greater engagement, and show increased confidence after receiving the kits. The program has become a trusted resource for families and schools in underserved communities.

Guided by transparent operations, collaborative partnerships, and measurable impact, and supported by leadership rooted in social work and nonprofit management, the organization is well-positioned to continue expanding its reach and effectiveness.

Click this link to review the [Zambian Schools We Have Supported!](#)





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### PROGRAM GOALS

- Equip **1,000 students annually**. **4** schools. [Ship **8 boxes**; 2 per school w/ 250 backpacks].
- Expand access and readiness to quality education with learning tools in rural Zambia.
- Boost classroom participation, attendance, and academic performance.
- Lift financial burdens for low-income families with donated school supplies.
- Strengthen confidence in the value of education and long-term student success.

### IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH

The Foundation partners with local schools to identify needs, purchase supplies through cost-effective local vendors, assemble kits with volunteers, and distribute them directly to students. Follow-up with teachers provides insight into student engagement and program effectiveness.

#### Implementation Plan:

- **Needs Assessment:** Work with school administrators to identify the number of students requiring support and the specific supplies needed by grade level.
- **Procurement:** Purchase supplies in bulk through local and regional vendors to ensure cost-effectiveness and support local economies.
- **Assembly:** Volunteers assemble school supply kits, ensuring consistency and quality.
- **Distribution:** Kits are delivered directly to partner schools, where staff and volunteers coordinate distribution to students.
- **Follow-Up:** Teachers provide informal feedback on student engagement, attendance, and preparedness after receiving supplies.

**Evaluation Plan:** measured through both quantitative and qualitative indicators:

- **Quantitative Measures:**
  - Number of students receiving school supply kits
  - Number of schools served.
  - Annual growth in distribution capacity
- **Qualitative Measures:**
  - Teacher feedback on student preparedness and participation
  - Observed changes in student confidence and engagement.
  - Community feedback on the program's impact





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### SUSTAINABILITY

Project Pack-a-Bag is sustained through *annual fundraising campaigns, community partnerships*, and a *growing donor network* in both Zambia and the United States including the DFW Zambian community. Bulk purchasing, volunteer support, and strong school relationships ensure long-term program viability and cost efficiency.

*The Daliso Foundation is committed to sustaining and expanding Project Pack-a-Bag through:*

- Ongoing donor support and annual fundraising campaigns
- Partnerships with local schools and community organizations
- Cost-efficient procurement strategies
- Volunteer engagement to reduce operational expenses.

### INVOLVEMENT - HOW YOU CAN HELP!

**Your support can change a child's story!**

Donating funds to this cause help us cover the cost of cargo and shipment. You are doing more than giving. You are placing hope directly into the hands of children who dream of learning, creating, and building brighter futures.

You can also make an enormous impact by connecting the Daliso Foundation with meaningful opportunities: *grants, supportive organizations, corporate partners*, and any *network* that believes in lifting others up.

The need in Zambia is huge—but together, we can be the reason a child feels seen, supported, and inspired.

