



**"The Q Fund envisions a world of children
awakened to their inherent sense of
value and purpose"**

We have been especially inspired by news of student-lead initiatives that have touched our heart and brought us hope for the brighter future.

Today I would like to give thanks to some amazing students, typical of many who have organized their own innovative fundraisers for The Q Fund. Why do they do this? Simply because they care.



At Boston College students in the Jenks Leadership Program held a fundraising party with over 300 people. They are starting a pen-pal program with the children in Zambia. Sara Gogolak writes "My leadership group was passionate about helping students in Zambia, and we know how important it is to spread the importance of education." Thank you Sara!

In Minnesota the students in the 'Students for Social Justice' program at St Paul's Academy and Summit School organized an all-school soccer tournament (the "Q Cup") to raise funds for soccer equipment for the children of Chimoza community school. They were inspired by the news of the Q Fund's partnership with Play Soccer Zambia. The students organized an incredible tournament of 26 teams that played over a span of 2 days to rave success! Thank you Maddy, Sonja and Zach!! You are our heroes and sheroes!

At Bennington College, Bennington, Vermont, students have reached out to ask, "How can they help"?

In California, Stephanie Wu at the course on Entrepreneurship & Global Poverty (part of the UC Berkeley Haas School of Business) chose the Q Fund for her non-profit study paper. Her critique was both insightful and helpful to us. Thank you Stephanie !

And last but not least the amazing children of Ridgeview Elementary School in Missouri who decided to take a "vow of silence" for a complete day in recognition of disadvantaged children around the world. These are among the most passionate and deeply educated children I have met to date;

twenty 5th grade students who know more about Darfur, Rwanda and the holocaust than most adults. ([read more](#) about Taylor Hoffmann's story and her program 'One Voice' on our blog)

In these days when our own school system is much challenged, it is heartening to see the many spontaneous acts of selflessness from students across the country.

The children are truly our future!

And finally, a personal note. I am much honored to have been chosen for a "Heroes of Hope" documentary that will run on public television. We are shortly heading out with the film crew to Ndola, Zambia to complete the filming and meet some of the many children who have been touched by all through your contributions, efforts and love.

With much hope and thanks



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