## TGUP Project Summary Deworming Project Loibor-Siret, Tanzania

## Project Name:

Maasai Deworming Project

## Project Location:

Loibor-Siret, Tanzania

## Project Summary:

Provide anti-parasitic medication to 3,000 children.

## Project Need:

- The government does provide for some medication but not nearly enough.
- Children need a dose every six months to prevent worms. A single dose costs $\$ 1$.
- Worms are so common that many children suffer from malnutrition and stunted development.


## Project Partner:

Humanity for Children's Mobile Health Clinic humanityforchildren.org

## Project Cost:

\$3,000


This project will provide deworming medication to 3,000 children in the Loibor-Siret region of Tanzania. The program will be carried out by the Mobile Health Clinic of TGUP's Tanzanian partner, Humanity for Children (HFC).

Schistosomiasis, or "snail fever," afflicts 250 million people worldwide every year. It causes anemia, malnutrition, stunting, and impaired intellectual development. It comes from drinking infected freshwater and is common in areas with poor sanitary conditions.

HFC will administer the drug Albendazole to 3,000 Maasai children living 8 to 30 miles away from the nearest health facility. The Mobile Health Clinic also provides nutrition supplements, Safe Birthing Kits, and basic medical equipment (BP testing) to the same population.

HFC is a U.S. registered 501c3 nonprofit which has operated in east Africa for more than 30 years. TGUP is also working with HFC to manufacture Save a Girl kits in a new facility in the same area.

