

# Caring for Kaela

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# CFK-Chad Africa

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## Chad – Quick Facts

The Sub-Saharan country of Chad, Central Africa, is home to over 200 ethnic groups. Arabic and French are the official languages. Over 50% of the population is Muslim, the remainder adheres to traditional African religions or Christianity. Years of civil strife and drought have kept the country in extreme poverty and Chad to this day remains one of Africa's poorest nations.

- **AVERAGE INCOME IS \$250 A YEAR**
- **LIFE EXPECTANCY IS 47 YEARS OLD**
- **HALF THE CHILDREN WHO START SCHOOL WILL NOT FINISH THE PRIMARY CYCLE**
- **60% ILLITERACY RATE**
- **THERE IS AN AVERAGE OF 1 TEACHER FOR EVERY 72 STUDENTS**



## Orphans and Vulnerable Children

In 2000, 65.5 % of all school age children in Chad were working instead of attending school. Reports indicate that child trafficking occurs inside the country.

**CFK-Chad:** providing safe homes for street children as they transition back into their community.

## Education

Recurrent conflict and war in this fragile state so often paralyzed the government's ability to sustain a functional school system that spontaneous organizations of parent associations formed to fund the majority of school expenses.

**CFK-Chad:** empowering local leaders to take action and challenge the status quo.

Due to the poor quality of education in Chad, there is only a 50 % chance that an adult will remain literate even if he or she completed an entire primary cycle.

**CFK-Chad:** strengthening the national educational system by building the capacity of local schools and local organizations to restore hope and opportunity in the lives of all children.

## Transformational Development

Restoring relationships and transforming communities.

**CFK-Chad:** working in conflict areas to bring people together for meaningful dialogue around peace and reconciliation.



*“Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy” Psalm 82:3*