

# CFEBA Awards Grant for Solar Storage Batteries to Childrens' Orphanage in Kenya

The Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association is pleased to announce that, at its meeting on July 8, 2008, its Board of Directors awarded a several thousand dollar grant to the Mudzini Kwetu orphanage near Mombasa, Kenya.

Mudzini Kwetu (which means "our home" in Swahili) is home to 30 girls and young women, aged 3 years to 17 years, who live in a family environment and receive an excellent education at a school near Mombasa. Mudzini Kwetu uses solar panels to generate its own electricity for lighting, cooking and pumping water from its deep well, but lost the ability to do so due to failure of the system's solar storage batteries.

The new solar storage batteries are being provided and installed by the firm of Davis & Shirtliff, Ltd., a prominent water and solar firm in East Africa. Davis & Shirtliff has generously discounted the cost of batteries for Mudzini Kwetu by twenty percent. The restoration of electric power to Mudzini Kwetu will also benefit the surrounding community, which shares in the clean water available through the operation of the orphanage's deep well.

The CFEBA learned of this opportunity to benefit Mudzini Kwetu from Energy Bar Association member Howard Shafferman, who visited Mudzini Kwetu earlier this year.

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*The CFEBA welcomes voluntary contributions at any time. The CFEBA does not strive to build an endowment, but instead attempts to deploy a substantial portion of the funds it receives. Individuals, firms and companies interested in donating may contribute directly to the CFEBA by mailing a check, payable to "The Charitable Foundation of the Energy Bar Association" to Loma Wilson, EBA, 1020 19th Street NW, Suite 525, Washington, DC 20036. For your convenience, donations may also be made online by going to <https://mmm1903.dulles19-verio.com/ebanet/donate.php>.*

