Tunapanda

Join Our Brain Trust, Grow Jobs

At Tunapanda Institute we work with young people in East Africa to spread dignity, respect and freedom by growing technology, design and business skills.

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Think Global, Act Local

We're finding, developing and becoming inspired by under-tapped human potential in places where most people just see problems. We take small steps in a big direction.
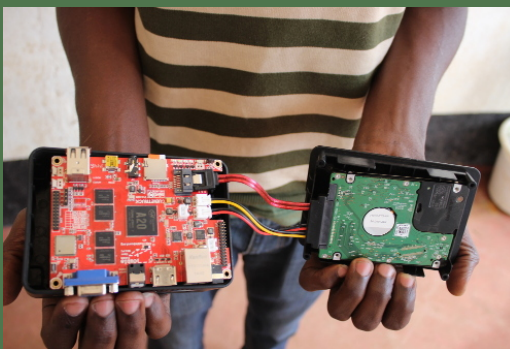
Practical Learning	**Portable Schools**	**3D Printing Jobs**
People-focused	Technology-focused	Entrepreneurship-focused

We run 3-month intensive training programs at our school in a large Nairobi informal settlement. Graduates find tech-related jobs or become computer teachers elsewhere. Some join our team as apprentice-teachers and hone skills in the crafts of teaching, tech and design.

Bandwidth costs make "free" video learning unaffordable for many. This computer lets people access learning wirelessly and records achievements using custom open source software built by our team. These "schools in boxes" are being deployed in Jordanian camps for Syrian refugees and in East Africa.

When we're not teaching at our school or creating open content/software to spread learning further, we like finding ways to generate income using technologies like 3D printing and wireless mesh networking. For example, we are incubating a business to recycle plastic waste into 3D-printed school materials.

These opportunities are largely enabled by Tunapanda Institute's apprenticeship program, funded by generous people like you who see the potential for a different future. We are inviting 10-12 more individuals or groups to join our Brain Trust today.

100% of your $1,500 contribution goes directly to creating an apprenticeship for a hard-working trainee, funding her/his first laptop and providing a livable stipend for 6 months.

Please contact Jay@Tunapanda.org to sponsor an apprenticeship and join the Brain Trust, or with any questions. Tunapanda Institute is a US 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.

Tunapanda Institute has worked for over 2 years with educational partners in Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda and (now) Jordan to upgrade their computer infrastructure and expand educational offerings. We train teachers and create software and interactive video content to spread learning outside our walls.

Round 1 Apprentices

Our 6 pioneering apprentice-teachers worked tirelessly teaching trainees, onboarding round 2 apprentices, improving our program and streamlining operations from Jan-July 2015. Each now has a laptop and more skills to supercharge their careers in tech, design and business. They remain with us taking on increasingly larger responsibilities.

Round 2 Apprentices

The following apprentices graduated from Tunapanda in May and began their apprenticeships in June 2015. If **you** join our Brain Trust, your $1,500 can launch another young person's career. Apprentices develop advanced skills in their area of interest while teaching new trainees.

Calvine is an aspiring graphic designer and enjoys 3D animation. He wants to use his skills to create art.

John is one of our hardest-working trainees and has a passion for app development and database management.

Liz loves graphic design, and is a leader in Kibera Girls Soccer Academy (KGSA).

Margaret has a passion for creating educational content. She has worked part-time teaching life skills to young girls in Kibera.

Francis is a musician and designer at heart. He enjoys videography and is interested in 3D printing.

John has a passion for entrepreneurship and business. He would like to eventually start his own IT company.

Onesmus is a musician and spoken word artist who likes programming and web design. He also enjoys film and graphics.

Evans likes web and graphic design. He wants to spread technology skills back to his home in rural Kenya.

Diana enjoys web design and creating interactive learning content to spread learning beyond our walls.

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