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AEF CELEBRATES 65 YEARS OF IMPROVING EDUCATION FOR YOUNG ARMENIANS



Opening ceremonies of the AEF renovated Darpas Village School. The Regional Governor awarded AEF a gold medal for renovating over 30 schools in the Lori Province

Glendale, California. Armenian Educational Foundation (AEF) reported that it will be celebrating its 65th year at its upcoming Gala. Since 1950, the AEF has been providing financial assistance to Armenian students and Armenian educational institutions. AEF's 65th Anniversary will be celebrated on January 31, 2016 at the Beverly Hills Hotel in Beverly Hills.

Most recently, since the year 2000, the AEF has allocated over \$6 million for scholarships, grants to Armenian educational institutions and related Armenian educational initiatives. These funds have been used towards numerous initiatives including the UCLA Chair for Armenian History and renovation of over 200 schools in the remote villages of Armenia, Artsakh and Javakhk. The AEF has also provided aid to

Armenian schools and students in the Armenian Diaspora. Programs that the AEF continues to fund include the “School Supplies Program”, the “Computer in Every AEF Renovated School Program”, and the “Student Scholarship Program”.

“We are very grateful to AEF’s members and supporters whose generous contributions made it possible for us to provide the much needed help to thousands of deserving students, whether it is renovating their dilapidated schools, providing school supplies and computers, or making it possible for them to continue their education through scholarships,” stated AEF President Al Cabraloff. “AEF has been able to accomplish all of this with only one part-time employee in its Glendale office and two part-time employees in Yerevan. The majority of the work has been done by AEF members, who volunteer countless hours and are never reimbursed for their expenses, which includes travel to Armenia.”

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