

# EDUCATION FOR ALL MOROCCO

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World change starts with educating girls.

# WHY GIRLS?



- <u>Women</u> make up more than 2/3 of the world's 796 million illiterate people.
- Illiteracy amongst girls in rural areas of Morocco is reported to be as high as 70%.
- •Data shows that rural girls are twice as likely as urban girls to be out of school.
- •Poverty remains the most important factor for determining whether a girl can access an education.

## THE BARRIERS



#### Distance

The girls live in remote villages, often cut off in winter and far away from the few secondary schools

#### **Poverty**

The families are too poor to afford government lodgings and transport

#### **Cultural Attitudes**

It isn't considered important to educate girls and they are often kept at home to help with domestic chores

Watch UNESCO film, Fatima's Journey

# THE SOLUTION: GIRLS' BOARDING HOUSES



**Education For All** builds safe, well equipped **boarding houses** next to secondary schools

- Started in 2007 with one small house, 10 girls
- In 2020 we have 6 houses and 230 girls!

The girls have a comfy bed, hot showers, 3 meals a day, access to computers, support lessons and a house mother

## THE HEART OF THE EFA HOUSES - OUR HOUSEMOTHERS



EFA employs **local women as house mothers**, the key to our success!

We have **6 house mothers** and **18 staff** in total. All women!

The house mothers help to maintain a **'family' feeling** in the houses, making it easier for the girls to adjust and flourish.

# AMAZING RESULTS



- In 2013, we saw the first 5 girls pass their BAC and go to university.
- In 2019 we had a 100% pass rate for the BAC and 24 girls went to Uni
- In 2019 over 150 girls are enrolled at University
  - \*3 Scholarships in 2019

## "WITH EFA MY DREAMS AND AMBITIONS BEGAN"-



#### Educating girls means they can

- Break the cycle of poverty.
- Get better jobs
- Have more financial freedom
- Marry younger
- Less and Healthier children
- More daughters educated
- Contribute to their families and communities
- <u>Watch the EFA Short Film</u> Password: EFA



# **DIGITAL DIVIDE**



- Our next challenge is to close the digital divide for rural girls.
- Being online means they can access online lessons during lockdowns, and supplement the gaps in the school curriculum.
- Confidence with technology key to their future work opportunities
- <u>Check out our fundraising</u> <u>campaign!</u>



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