



**MILLENNIUM
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CORPORATION**



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Program Summary

Burkina Faso's program is focused on creating a plan to increase girls' primary school enrollment and attendance rates in the 10 lowest performing provinces in the country. The program provides for the construction of 132 schools and other interventions designed to improve the access and quality of education for girls within these 10 provinces.

Program Highlights

- The BRIGHT Coordination Team, an NGO consortium which implemented the program, has received and distributed over 36,000 textbooks and 1,100 teachers' guides from the Government of Burkina Faso.
- All 396 classrooms have been constructed and nearly 400 teacher accommodations are complete.
- All 132 boreholes are now complete and operational, and in the Banwa province, rusted pipes on 13 boreholes have been replaced with stainless pipes.
- Nearly 19,000 children, over 12,000 of who are girls, will attend BRIGHT schools during the 2007-2008 school year. An additional 859 small children will be hosted in ten child care centers.

Threshold Status

Status.....Implementation, Year 2

Threshold Information

Total Amount.....\$12.9 million

Agreement Signed.....July 22, 2005

Country Information

Population.....13,227,835*

GNI Per Capita Income.....\$400*

*World Development Indicators, World Bank, 2005