



WORLDWIDE FISTULA FUND
HEALING WOMEN, RESTORING LIVES

Your Support Makes a Difference



In just one year, your generous support has made the Danja Fistula Center one of the busiest fistula hospitals in the world. As we enter the holiday season, we hope you will remember the women who are living with obstetric fistula and count on the Worldwide Fistula Fund for health services. One of those women is Khamisa.

"Khamisa was thoughtful when I asked her why she came to the Danja Fistula Center," said Amy, a volunteer at the Danja Fistula Center. "She replied very simply, 'I heard you don't treat us low.' When asked for clarification, she explained that since she got a fistula people have treated her like she is less than they are - especially as a patient at the many hospitals she visited. The expression on her face was so poignant. I will never forget the wretchedness of

her facial expression recounting her life before surgery. Nor will I forget the smile that emerged as she interacted with other patients, kind nurses and compassionate physicians as she healed. The support that makes surgery possible restores more than just physical health - it restores dignity and joy."

December is the top month for charitable contributions in the United States. We want to make our organization as transparent as possible so our donors can see that the money they donate goes directly to help women like Khamisa. To aid our donors, the Worldwide Fistula Fund has made its financials available on **Guidestar**, where we are a 5-star member and have earned the GuideStar Seal of transparency. Additionally, the Worldwide Fistula Fund has been honored with a prestigious 2012 Top-Rated Award by **GreatNonprofits**, the leading provider of user reviews about nonprofit organizations. The Top-Rated Award was based on the large number of positive reviews that the Worldwide Fistula Fund received. For example, one person wrote:

"The Worldwide Fistula Fund has collected a team of the most respected clinical practitioners in the world to battle this condition and also works to raise awareness of safe birthing practices within affected communities to prevent the injury from ever occurring. There is perhaps no other charitable contribution one could make that has such an immediate and important effect as saving a woman from a lifetime of misery."

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