

# EDUCATION:

Lifting Women & Girls Out of Poverty

### THE STRONGEST INDICATORS OF POVERTY

### Single Motherhood



# Lack of college degree



SOURCE: Single Mother Statistics: https://singlemotherguide.com/single-mother-statistics/

#### 4.1 MILLION SINGLE MOTHER FAMILIES ARE LIVING IN POVERTY

## Single moms are twice as likely

to live in poverty

as single dads

SOURCE: "30 Percent of Single American Moms are Living in Poverty"



Only 7%

of single mothers under age 30 have finished college

SOURCE: "11 Surprising Facts about Women and Poverty from the [2014] Shiver Report"

## Single moms spend

more than half of their income on housing expenses and a third on childcare



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#### **EDUCATION HOLDS THE POWER TO TRANSFORM WOMEN'S LIVES**

### **Education**



enhances their earning potential & presents them with access to better jobs



decreases incidences of violence



increases their overall health



decreases mortality rates

SOURCES: "Addressing the MDGs and Targets for Education and Gender," "The Foundation for AIDS Research, Statistics: Women and HIV/AIDS," "Violence Against Women"

## Children of educated mothers

are more likely to experience their own educational and occupational successes



SOURCE: "Long-term Effects of Parents' Education on Children's Educational and Occupational Success"

# **Education** helps women

and girls overcome barriers and change their lives!





