

# *One Girl with Courage is a Revolution*

**Girl Rising** is a global campaign; its theme and mission:

*“Educating girls can break cycles of poverty in just one generation.”*

**Facts** (at the time the video was made); for more information, go to [www.girlrising.com](http://www.girlrising.com):

- 496 million girls over age 15 cannot read or write
- 65 million school-age girls are not in school
- 32 million fewer girls than boys are in primary schools world wide

## **Educating girls has shown results:**

- Educated girls are more likely to marry later, have fewer children, and avoid contracting AIDS
- They are less likely to be victims of domestic violence; more likely to be aware of their rights
- They will earn more money (10-20% more just for an extra year of primary school; 15 – 25% more for just one extra year of secondary school).

**Topics in Video:** all facts are taken from the video *Girl Rising*:

## **Gender-Based Violence**

- Every year: estimated 150 million girls are victims of sexual violence, 50% of all sexual assaults are perpetrated on girls under the age of 15.
- One woman in three experiences physical and/or sexual violence in her lifetime
- More than 600 million women live in countries where domestic violence is not considered a crime.

## **Early and Forced Marriages**

- 14 million girls under age 18 are married every year
- Childbirth is the number one cause of death for young women age 15-19 in developing countries

## **Natural disasters and Displaced Persons**

- Between 2008-2012, an estimated 143.9 million people in 125 countries were newly displaced by rapid-onset disasters.
- Girls are more likely than boys to be pulled out of school following a natural disaster, and less likely to return to school.

## **Human Trafficking & Forced Labor**

- Almost 21 million people are trapped in jobs into which they were coerced or deceived and which they cannot leave; 59% are women and 17% more are girls.
- Globally, trafficked forced laborers produce an estimate \$32 billion in profits each year.

## **Poverty**

- 1.4 billion people around the world live on \$1.25 @ day; the majority of them are women.
- Every 3.6 seconds someone dies of starvation; usually it is a child under the age of 5
- In the developing world, girls are twice as likely to die from malnutrition as boys



## 9 Young Women...

Sokha, Wadley, Suma, Yasmin,  
Agmera, Ruksana, Senna,  
Mariana, Amina

## 9 Countries

Cambodia, Haiti, Nepal, Egypt, Ethiopia,  
India, Peru, Sierra Leone, Afghanistan

## 9 Stories of Character, Courage, & Commitment