

## AGSP

Since 2004, the **Ambassadors Girls' Scholarship Program (AGSP)** funded through the Africa Education Initiative has been implemented in the northern Mali regions of Tombouctou, Gao, and Kidal.



## Goal of Program

Provide support through scholarships, mentoring, and parental and community awareness to promote girls' education and awareness activities to prevent and mitigate the spread of HIV.

## Method of awarding scholarships

Scholarships are awarded to ensure access to educational opportunities and are used for school fees, school supplies, books, uniforms, backpacks, and additional materials such as hurricane lamps, and shoes.

## Program activities

- ✓ Distribution of school supplies, uniforms, paying of school fees for girls and boys
- ✓ Mentoring support and academic help
- ✓ Health in schools: Encouraging cleaning and maintenance of classrooms, latrines, and school grounds
- ✓ Monitoring educational performance of scholarship recipients
- ✓ Mentor training
- ✓ Monitoring school attendance
- ✓ Home visits
- ✓ Dramas focused on hygiene, STDs / AIDS etc.

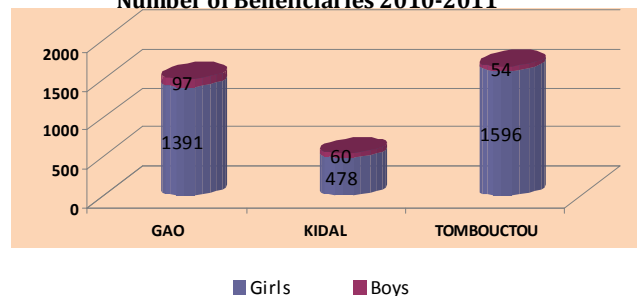
## Significant Results

- 3,676 student beneficiaries, including 3,465 girls
  - ✓ 1,488 students including 1,391 girls and 97 boys from Gao
  - ✓ 538 students including 478 girls and 60 boys from Kidal
  - ✓ 1,650 students including 1,596 girls and 54 boys from Tombouctou
- Student attendance rate more than 97% in schools receiving scholarships.



A group of young schoolgirls in Tombouctou.

Number of Beneficiaries 2010-2011



A scholarship recipient from Gao.