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Pencils for Kids is charitable grass roots organization that believes in the power of creating connections through small scale projects. P4K focuses on one community at a time, lifting children from poverty through education. A team of committed individuals, from all walks of life, is currently working in a community in Niger, West Africa providing children with educational tools for success – books, school supplies, schools, libraries and friendship.

Oraynu Member Louise Sherman is the Pencils for Kids Program Director. Louise spent one of the best months of her life representing P4K in Niger in November 2008, living and working with the kids who are the direct beneficiaries of our programs. While there she had the opportunity to truly understand the needs of these wonderful people. She developed and implemented a theatre program and a book club, both of which culminated in a fabulous presentation by the kids for parents, the community, the village and civic dignitaries.

Louise has her MBA from Queens University and presently works as an independent management consultant specializing in process improvement and redesign, project management and strategic plan development. Her other philanthropic contributions have been with C.A.R.E., working with baboons in South Africa; Pretoma, working with sea turtles in Costa Rica; SMVS working with children in India and; a branch of IWAF, working with wild animals in Northern India.

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