

IT TOOK ALMOST SIX YEARS BUT...

There is a commercial washer and dryer making its way to the hospital in Chilumba thanks to a donation from Spark Potential Canada! This is joyful news to the staff at the community hospital. During our last visit in 2016, we were surprised to find all the hospital linens in a stack on the floor in a corner of the hospital. The plastic blue mattresses on the beds were bare. Delving into the reason for this, we were told that there was no money to put gas in the truck to transport the laundry to the larger district Hospital in Karonga where is usually laundered. For a donation of \$15, gas was put in the truck and the laundry went off to be laundered.

When we returned to Canada, we reached out to several organizations for assistance to get a washer and dryer into the hospital but to no avail. The one company we relied on and had indicated their willingness to help went out of business. Time went by. We had told the hospital staff in 2016 we would do our best to meet this critical need. We had no idea it would this long BUT at long last, it is a reality. We wish to express our sincere thanks to Spark Potential Canada for their support.

Here is what our Change Her World Coordinator—Wezzie Banda wrote to us following the presentation:

I write to inform you that we had a gift presentation for the hospital washer and dryer on Saturday the 27th August 2022. It was a great presentation as it was attended by the hospital staff, representative of the village headmen, representative of the community hospital committee and a local radio representative to record the event.

In his speech, the hospital administrator thanked Change Her World for the donation which will help in the infection prevention program at the hospital. He also said some government health centres within Chilumba like Fulirwa and Lwerza Health Centres will also be benefiting from this donation and they will bring their linen for processing at the rural hospital. He said they had previously lost some linen when they were sending linen to Karonga District Hospital for washing but now that problem is over with the coming of this donation.

He sincerely thanked you the Directors for the timely donation. Furthermore he continued by requesting that if they may be some possibilities to buy them extra linen as they have less in stock to support the number of patients they daily face.



Washer and dryer arrives at the Chilumba Rural Hospital

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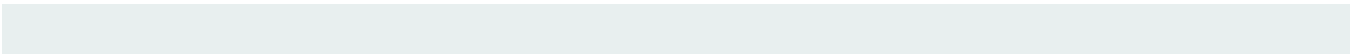
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Making A Difference in Chilumba



The Chilumba Community Library Build Is Finished!!!



Wezzie Banda sits with some of the rural nursery school girls who hold the pictures of children who donated nursery school toys and books to our project in Malawi.



Valuable medical supplies are distributed to rural health centres in the Chilumba region by the Change Her World Committee.

We are now waiting for funds to ship over 2500 children's story books to our library in Chilumba. We are also hoping to begin purchasing children's tables and chairs, floor mats, bookcases, computers and adult tables and chairs once sufficient monies are available. Thank you to all those who have made donations to allow this building to become a reality in Malawi!

Budget Impact for 2022 to 2023

In an effort to address the closing of schools early in the pandemic and the loss of one school term in 2020, the Ministry of Education in Malawi over this past year shifted the duration of schools terms - changing start and end times as well as holiday breaks and thus created a 4 term year rather than a 3 term year as has been the norm.



This became apparent to us this spring when after sending



fees for what we thought was the last term until September, we again had to send another set of fees in June as school was continuing through the summer. For that term we sent another \$14,464.00 USD for tertiary fees (28 girls) plus \$9,311.00 USD for Secondary School fees (78 girls).

There was also a need to furnish tuition fees for two new tertiary beneficiaries who were just starting their programs which was an additional \$956.00 USD. This amounted to roughly \$30,000.00 CDN of unexpected and unbudgeted costs. That term runs from June 20 – September 9, to be followed by a 4 week break.

In point of fact, we are striving to meet this challenge of what amounts to a \$30,000 shortfall. Please keep this in mind as you submit your donations.

Donations for Change Her World Are Greatly Appreciated!

TO MAKE A DONATION PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

I wish to contribute to Change Her World with a donation of \$ _____

Please find enclosed payment by CASH CHEQUE (Made Payable to Change Her World)

VISA MASTERCARD

CARD NO. _____ EXPIRY DATE ____ / ____

Cardholder Name (Print) _____ SECURITY CODE _____

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Receipts are issued for gifts of \$20.00 or more.

Donations may be made online at
www.changeherworld.ca

Change Her World has a TD Waterhouse Account. We are now able to receive donations of stock, bonds and securities. Please contact Linda Willis at lwillis@changeherworld.ca for more information.

Meet 4 New Members Joining the Canadian Board of Directors

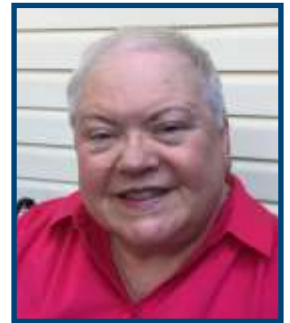
"We have been diligently considering the possibility of adding members to the Board of Directors in Canada as our charity continues to grow and develop. We are so pleased to welcome Shirley, Heather, Pat and Caroline at our Annual Meeting in November 2022.

Linda Willis, CHW Board Chair



Shirley Weitzel has been very active over many years in support of the work of change Her World - particularly the education mandate! She resides in Stratford, Ontario.

Pat Evers hails from Wingham, Ontario and is also a former teacher who has been very active in promoting CHW to District #9 Retired Teachers of Ontario (RTO) in many aspects including its publications.



Heather Browning is from Stratford, Ontario. She is a former teacher and a long-time supporter and volunteer for Change Her World.



Caroline Jensen lives in Stratford, Ontario and is keen to be a part of our charity work. She is currently employed by SunLife.



We heartily welcome them to the Canadian Board of Directors and excitedly look forward to establishing new and creative collaborations as we strive to reinforce and expand the mandate of educating the girls in Northern Malawi.



We are so grateful to the volunteers at St. Marys Presbyterian Church for their assembly and packing of 1000 Birthing Kits!



DONATE

Special thanks to a CHW supporter who turned her birthday into a fundraiser for CHW by putting a Donate button on her Facebook Page. You could do this too! It was a wonderful idea that netted quite a generous donation to the work of the charity. It all counts!

Thank you Jax I.

Buy A Bag - Shape the Future

These bags make great gifts!

Cost: \$40.00

To purchase a bag, order online at www.changeherworld.ca or call Linda at (519) 271-5598

Orders can be picked up at the Chocolate Extravaganza in November 2022.



Fundraising Events—Past and Future

Our First In-Person Annual Dinner in Three Years! Wednesday June 8, 2022



In an effort to save costs, our annual dinner moved from a Saturday night to a Wednesday night for 2022 only. The turnout was great and we welcomed familiar and new faces alike with much enthusiasm and gratitude. Seeing faces, talking to folks, even while masked, was an affirming experience for everyone.

We made good use of the programs, quizzes and “give-aways” that we had prepared in readiness for 2020 and it all worked just fine.

Thank you to our volunteers for the evening, to those who donated by buying silent auction items and by your presence, continuing to affirm the importance of educating the girl child.

Our 13th CHW Annual Dinner will be on Saturday, April 15, 2023

Special Thanks to Mary Anne Lealess in Mitchell, Ontario!!

She transformed her nursing retirement party in June into an occasion to garner financial donations for CHW and gathered a large assortment for items for First Aid Kits. Ten large first aid kits were able to be created for Nursery Schools and the extra medical/health related items will go to the local community hospital in Chilumba.

You too can transform an ordinary event like a birthday, anniversary or retirement into an action-oriented opportunity to make a significant difference in a land far away where basic necessities are not a reality!



Chocolate Extravaganza – Saturday November 5, 2022 Army, Navy & Air Force Hall (151 Lorne Ave. E., Stratford) 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Once again we will offer the Chocolate Treat Boxes (125 only)

Order and Pay Online by November 1, 2022

In addition, we will offer assorted chocolate items, a cake buffet, heavenly scented candles in a variety of chocolate themed scents (Rich Hill Candles—Bracebridge), goodie bags as well as the Power of a Girl with a Book bags.



Report from Midwest Coordinator— Donna Milbrandt



We are looking forward to greeting you at our table at the...

**Grain Millers' Harvest
Showdown**

**Thursday November 3 to
Saturday November 5, 2022**

Yorkton, Saskatchewan



CHANGE HER WORLD

Founded in 2010, this organization is dedicated to removing the barriers that prevent girls and women from being educated in the developing world.

Currently, girls and women in our project in Northern Malawi are receiving support but the need is great.

Our Corporate Objects include:

- ◇ Education of girls
- ◇ Relief of poverty
- ◇ Clean water and sanitation
- ◇ Promotion of Health
- ◇ Provision of micro financing

If you want to change the world...start with her

From the Board of Directors



As we slowly transition out of the world pandemic, the work of the charity continues to forge ahead! We are hopeful that this upcoming year might allow us the opportunity to travel to Malawi to visit the Chilumba Community and officially open the new community library. What a gift this will be to everyone—young and old! It has been six years since we had the joy of greeting our hardworking volunteers and conveying to them our gratitude and thanks for all their efforts on the ground. We have all learned so much as we endeavoured to construct our first building project in Malawi.

We are profoundly appreciative for your continued support as we seek to empower girls and women in education!

The Board of Directors wish to extend our sincere congratulations and good wishes to Carol Hamilton and Glen Williams who were married on September 24, 2022 at St. Marks Presbyterian Church, Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.

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