

### **Executive Director's Note**

"There are no great things, only small things with great love..."

~MOTHER TERESA~

Who can measure the effect of helping one child? Like dropping a pebble in calm water, the ripple grows wider and wider with time.

This year Canadian Humanitarian has focused on the simple but profound effects of the work that we do.

When one child succeeds, it is not just that one person who has benefited. They grow up, support their extended family, provide for their own children, and give back to others in their community who need their help. They, having been helped, in turn help the next generation of vulnerable children to succeed.

And so the ripple grows.

And what about all those who work with us? The expedition volunteers, the event committees, the donors, the like-minded organizations? They contribute to that growing wave, while being lifted by it.

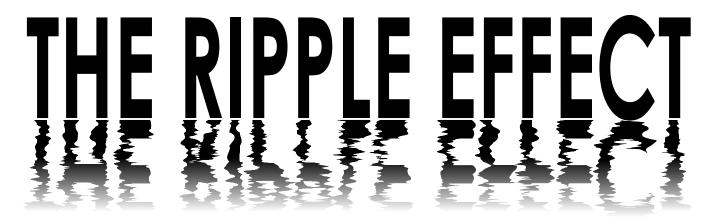
We want to give you a glimpse of this wave in our report this year. But Canadian Humanitarian's impact is told not only with statistics, financial reports, or numbers of alumni. The real story is told in the lives of those who have benefitted.

To all who have contributed, thank you for another year of changing lives forever.

Richard Northcott
Executive Director

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We are changing lives, one moment at a time.

The real effect of those changes grows with each child, spreading to change them, their families, and the communities they live in for years to come.

As we support children through their entire education they recieve the tools and learn the skills they need to succeed in changing their future. The changes they make exponentially impacts those around them for generations.

This is why we know what we do is so important.

Education is a key component out of poverty. But education alone is not additional support, such as individual tutoring, proper nutrition, medical and dental care, mentoring, and exploring their talents, our students are able to have the self-confidence their education process and complete it.

With these essential systems of support around them they grow up to be educated, productive community members, and are prepared for rewarding careers. This moves them out of poverty to a future of Independence with the ability to sustain their own families.

Canadian Humanitarian programs have impacted hundreds of lives, moving children out of poverty and social exclusion, to become fully contributing citizens of their communities.

In one generation, everything has changed.

When Volunteers return home, they their friends and communities the experiences their enthusiasm is contagious. They spread ripples excitement, and support throughout North America.

Read some of our student's stories at www.canadianhumanitarian.com/a-single-moment

#### **Our Vision**

That every child might reach their full potential.

#### **Our Mission**

We help disadvantaged children break free from the cycle of poverty.

# why send expeditions?

### why choose children?

Expedition groups are a vital part of this program.

Children are the future of their country.

of bringing children enough. With counselling, to stay with Volunteers bring love, knowledge, skills, and hope to children. Specialized volunteer teams include university field study programs, health care professionals, education specialists, social workers, business educators, and entrepreneurs.

# why make alliances?

As volunteers teach, they share activities and ideas. Students begin to see the world differently and consider new possibilities for themselves. A ripple of excitement at what their future may hold can be started from just one volunteer's influence.

Alliances increase the impact of our efforts.

By partnering with organizations that share a similar vision, we are able to strengthen and encourage each other, improving the life changing programs we are so dedicated to.

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By allying with governments and foundations, we are able to identify key areas of need and gain greater financial support to expand and deepen the reach we have on the lives we are working to improve.

By working with communities, corporations, and generous individuals more ripples of change are initiated, changing lives on both sides of the world.

## **Alliances and Partnerships**

Working together with other organisations and individuals, we are able to multiply the impact of our programs and help each other reach our missions.

Alliances are carefully chosen, as we want to work with those who are dedicated to spreading positive changes throughout the world, and passionately share our vision of eradicating poverty through education and education support.

These partnerships benefit the organizations involved as working together multiplies the capacity of each, and strengthens their ability to reach out to more beneficiaries. Each organization helps support the others in their resolve and ability to achieve their shared visions and goals.

Historically, we have worked alongside many wonderful organizations, shared experience and ideas, through mutual philosophies and purpose.

We would like to recognize the benefits we have found in partnering together with some of our recent alliances, and thank them for what has been accomplished working together.



















### **Our Philosophy**

That all people are equal.

That the opportunity to reach one's potential is a basic human right.

That poverty can be eradicated.

That by building children -

by helping them to grow intellectually, physically, emotionally, and socially; by fulfilling their needs as they gain an education and discover their talents; by giving them the tools to take control of their own futures -

they will grow up and change their world.



















D. Lawrence Penner

Dr Calvin Stewart and Mrs M. Anne Stewart Dr Rizwan Manji and Mrs Jacqueline Burghardt Manji

Nanci Ellen Davis

# **Expedition Report**

We had 3 expedition teams travel to Ethiopia and Malawi during 2019. The volunteers gave their best efforts, and so much was accomplished because of their time in service.

Every year volunteers bring unique skills and presentations to enrichthe lives of the children, their families and communities.



This year was no exception. Volunteers shared about mining engineering, hockey, health education, crafts, body movement, reproductive health, cassava safe consumption and preparation, yoga, bowling, time management and offered medical and dental health care.

Volunteers organized special activities for students such as Sports days, museum field trip, singing and games.

Two volunteers came to video and prepare special film projects, including a documentary sponsored by Park City Toyota and The Prairie Toyota Dealerships.

Education support centers received a much needed update as volunteers helped to patch walls, floors, painted walls,installed needed shelving units, and set up a computer lab at the GINDO center. 410 Medicals





The children prepared poems, speeches, traditional dance shows, Martial arts exhibits, and gymnastic shows for the volunteers

University, college and technical students got to meet volunteers, have special awards ceremonies for academic achievement, and share a meal together.

A special graduation ceremony at the SSCM Trade School was attended by volunteers as special graduation gifts, presentations were made.

Children and volunteers were able to meet and work together throughout the year, creating memorable life changing experiences for everyone.

#### from our volunteers:



"The intensity of emotions you feel from interacting with the people we were helping is something that cannot be conveyed with words. It was challeng ing and exhausting but never for a moment did I consider anything other than committing myself fully to what we were doing. The expedition offers a unique

perspective into the country, the people, and your own life.
The people I met, both the locals and our epxedition team were

some of the most incredible people on this Earth. It was new, exciting, and rewarding beyond belief.

Anyone who has the opportunity to experience it should take it because it truly is something special."

TRAVIS - AUGUST 2019 EXPEDTION VOLUNTEER





Hours



**600 Student Interviews** 

"I will leave Ethiopia a much richer person than when I arrived. We have much to learn from these wonderful people, who in the midst of terrible poverty mainatin a precious dignity and a happiness that surpasses anything I have witnessed in our western world."

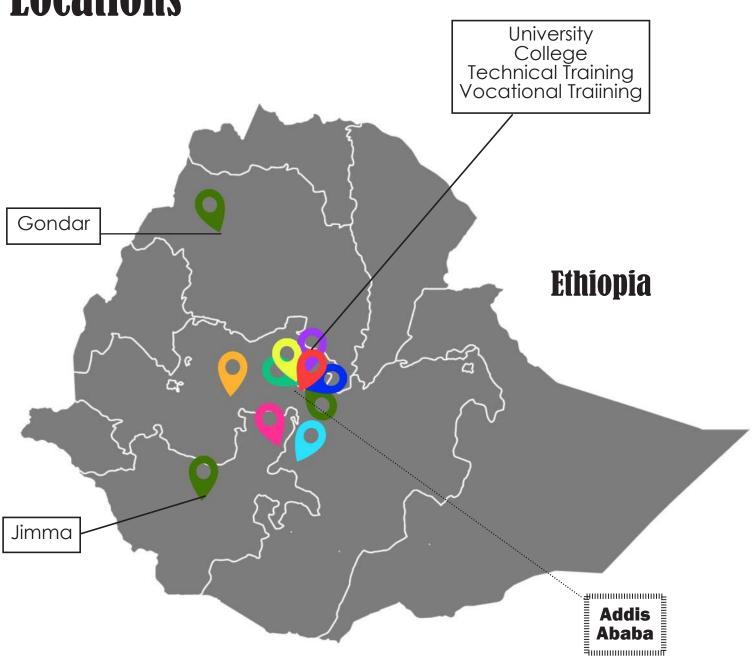
JOHN - FEBRUARY 2019 EXPEDITION VOLUNTEER.

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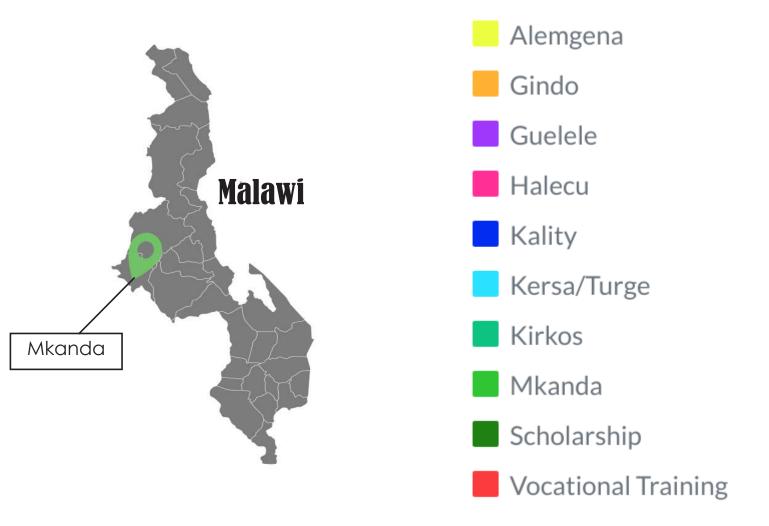


upport Center is: so much more than paying for school a nutritious hot meal every day qualified tutors who help students with extra classes SUCCESS, or every interest, ew talents and <mark>ls - like mus</mark>ic, ng and writing, lics, and al dance a place to overcome challenges, learn how to succeed, feel special and encouraged, and gain hope and confidence for the future

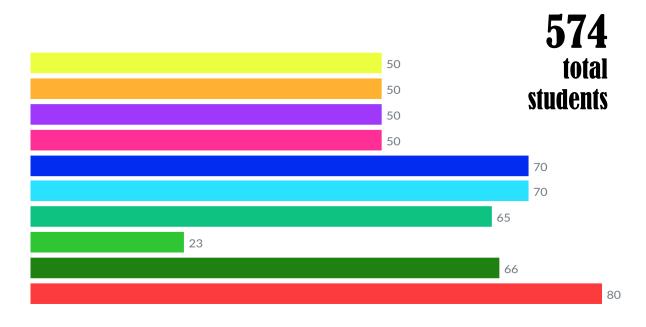
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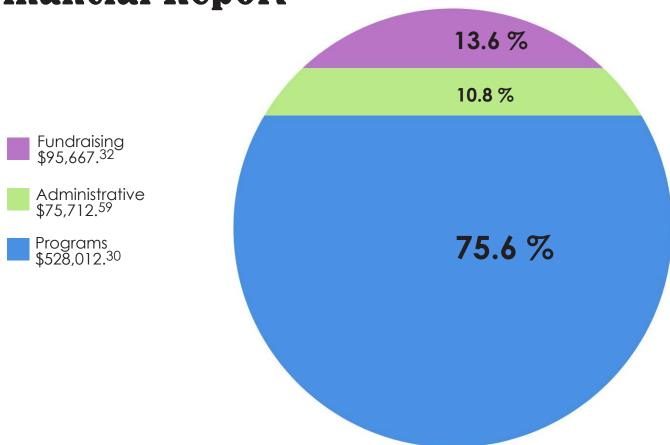




# Students and Programs



**Financial Report** 



### **Computer Labs**

This year, the installation of the first computer Lab for the Gindo community, at our education support center, was possible through partnership with Nanci Ellen David.

Thanks to Nanci Ellen's partnership, a computer lab honoring an Ethiopian Colleague has been set up in each Canadian humanitarian center.

These labs give students access to technology that helps with their homework, learn word processing skills, and how to connect with the greater community at large





Thanks to our alliance with Dr Cal Stewart and his wife Anne, graduates from SSCM Vocational Training School were presented with gifts of tools and supplies for their chosen trade to use in their careers. Scholarship awards were as presented to qualifying graduates.







### **Events**

Number of Events

Hues for Humanity

Online Giving Campaigns

Test of Humanity

Scotiabank Marathon

Gala Evening

Benefit Concert

Fundraising Events raised a total of \$303,848.86



# Upcoming Events 2020 May

Calgary Scotiabank Marathon

#### June

Hues for Humanity Fort McMurray Hues for Humanity Medicine Hat Hues for Humanity Winnipeg Great Canadian Giving Challenge

#### **September**

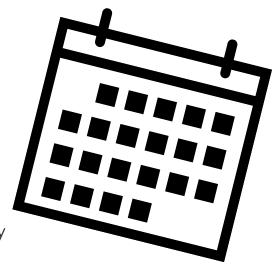
Hope for Tomorrow - Calgary

#### **October**

Toronto Scotiabank Marathon

#### **November**

Beyond Belief - Medicine Hat Giving Tuesday



For information on how to get involved, or to plan an event in your community contact deborah@canadianhumanitarian.com

### From our Students





My dear sponsor, I am where I am now because of you. You have made me happy, saving me from inconvenient life. This is a good opportunity to express my deep gratitude.

-Gete

My dear sponsor, here is my huge gratitude for your kind support. What you are doing for me via the project is beyond what my words can express. I hope God will pay it back to you. Please be with me in the future because your support is paramount.

-Habtamu

Videographer Chris Stenberg interviewed students from our education support centers this year.

Watch Meseret explain what the program means to her.

http://bit.ly/meseret
or scan the gr code



### A New Short Film

See our students and founders in a new short film created by Jay Lawrance from Two Word Productions.

Jay joined us on the October 2019 expedition as a photographer for Prairie Toyota Dealers to do a #MyPrairieToyotaStory on Canadian Humanitarian.

View the film at <a href="http://bit.ly/jays-film">http://bit.ly/jays-film</a>

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### Office Staff



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This year has brought new faces to our Canadian Humanitarian office in Medicine Hat We are so pleased to welcome Jessica and Danielle to our team!

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Thank you to all our Child Sponsors, and to all Volunteers who made our year possible.



