



Yes, we are fundraising in 2021!

Though we won't be having our annual fundraiser this year due to the Covid-

19 pandemic, we are still funding projects and need your help more than ever. The year 2020 has been full of sacrifice, change and challenges for most of us ... it has especially hit funding for charities. If you are able to be a sponsor or make a cash dona-

tion, this is really the year we need it. We will miss seeing you at Moose's in January 2021, but will continue to fund many worthy causes with your support. This newsletter outlines just how impactful your support can be on the lives of chil-

dren, and we are very grateful to be able to continue this work on your behalf. Wishing you a safe 2021 and looking forward to seeing you again in 2022. Sincerely, Board of Directors

ABOUT US

GC4C is a registered non-profit foundation 100% operated by volunteers. All of our net proceeds go to the projects we support.

OUR MISSION

To promote and enhance the health, education, and social and economic development of disadvantaged children in regions throughout the world.

OUR VALUES

Respect, transparency, and integrity, within our organization, and our partner organizations.



2020 Board of Directors, left to right: Helen Plischke, Jessica van den Akker, Zoe Pratt, Claudia Losie, Nancy Curry, Preet Pall, Emma Fairhurst

Thank you to our loyal donors and sponsors

This year, thanks to our donors and sponsors, GC4C was able to fund seven local and international projects:

- Northern Society for Domestic Peace — Northern B.C.
- Cameray Children & Family Services — Vancouver region
- Options Community Services — Vancouver region
- Adopt-a-Village — Laos
- Kenya Education Endowment Fund — Kenya

- Canadian Friends of Aniquem Health Development — Peru
- One-Girl-Can — Kenya

Over the past 12 years we have raised more than \$400,000 and funded almost 60 projects. A big thank you to Corina Aquino and the entire staff at Moose's Down Under — your support of our fundraisers every year has been integral to our success.

Where we give

Kenya Education Endowment Fund (KEEF)

In 2020 we donated \$7,224 to KEEF projects at the Shitirira and Ebulechia primary schools. The funds covered the supply and installation of water storage tanks and water harvesting gutters at both schools, as well as locking cupboards for books and computers and new library shelves at the Ebulechia school. Despite COVID, construction went smoothly and the improvements were completed by September. "The projects came in at the right time when the schools really need water for hand washing as water is now termed as one the essential items for any learning institution," KEEF reported. The water facilities were installed at the dining halls so students can access water before and after meals. More than 1,100 students are impacted by these renovations.

Since 2010 we've donated just over \$112,000 to KEEF projects



Locking cupboards at the Ebulechia Primary School in Kakamega County, Kenya



A hand washing station



Base for a water tank



Cameray Child & Family Services

Weighted blankets are a sensory tool that help children focus on their sensory experience, thereby regulating emotions and behaviours.

In 2020, Global Change for Children donated \$2,500 to Cameray for the purchase of 11 weighted blankets for child play therapy rooms.

Cameray provides counselling, including expressive art and play therapy, to approximately 600 children per year in Burnaby and New Westminster, British Columbia.

Since 2019, we've donated \$5,000 to Cameray.



Weighted blankets, a sensory tool for children, arrive at Cameray Child & Family Services.

Northern Society for Domestic Peace (NSDP)

The NSDP offers traumatized children counselling programs out of offices in Smithers, Houston, and Hazelton, British Columbia.

In 2020, GC4C granted NSDP \$2,590 to replace and upgrade the toys and supplies in the children and youth counselling space in the Houston office. The goal was to outfit the space to make it more comfortable for teen clients, replace old toys, and add more children's books.

The funds purchased anatomically correct dolls, sand tray and toys, dress-clothes, games, and new books. Funds will also cover new storage furniture, which will be purchased in early 2021. Provincial funding covers the cost of staffing NSDP's programs, but toys and books are purchased through fundraising. More than 50 children per year attend counselling at the Houston office; new books support more than

100 kids per year.

NSDP serves children throughout the Bulkley Valley. In past years, GC4C has funded replacement toys, including culturally-appropriate longhouses, and

books in the Smithers and Hazelton offices.

Since 2018, we've provided \$8,200 to NSDP.



New children's books at the Houston, B.C., office of the Northern Society for Domestic Peace.

Options Community Services

When the COVID pandemic hit, the Options Sexual Abuse Counselling Centre moved most counselling sessions to a virtual format. This meant children could not access the play therapy toys they would have during in-person counselling. **In 2020, GC4C provided \$2,500 for travelling play therapy kits** for kids to use in their homes while having virtual therapy sessions. Kits include baby dolls, family figurines, puppets, clay, crayons, sketch books, and more. The materials are an ongoing need for the youngest, most vulnerable clients.

Children use toys as their words during play therapy, Options reports. "The majority of our clients do not have bedrooms full of toys nor do they have the range of toy categories that are typically used in play therapy." There is an added risk that if children use their own toys during therapy, they may

start associating the once-loved toy with their trauma. With funds provided by GC4C, Options stocked 20 Play-Therapy-To-Go Kits.

Options provides counselling to abused children aged 3-18 years old in Surrey, British Columbia.

Since 2012 we've donated \$28,500 to Options.



Canadian Friends of ANIQUEM (CAFA)

CAFA's goal is to improve access to care and rehabilitation of burned children in Peru. It partners with a burn clinic in Lima operated by the Peruvian charity ANIQUEM. In 2020, **GC4C donated \$4,500 to transport burn victims from all over Peru for treatment at the burn**

clinic. Although ANIQUEM shut down for two months due to the COVID pandemic, patients visits quickly bounced back, although with mostly local patients.

Since October 2020, the transport program has returned to operation, however it is more expensive to come

to the clinic because many long-distance buses are not running. CAFA funds have helped make up the difference.

CAFA also covered the living expenses of some patients who were staying with relatives in Lima when the quarantine hit, stranding them away from immediate families and caregivers.

Upwards of 100,000 Peruvian children each year seek medical attention for burns. As many as 70% of these are scalding injuries, due to primitive cooking conditions. While the kids receive publicly-funded emergency care, rehabilitation and care to prevent scarring is only available at expensive private clinics.

Since 2015, we've donated a total of \$15,000 to CAFA .



Christina, 9, was burned at the age of two when soup spilled on her in her mother's kitchen.



Katherine, 16, was burned in a gas explosion at a restaurant when her sister, an employee, lit the stove one morning.



One-Girl-Can

One-Girl-Can is working to improve the health and education of girls in Kenya. Since 2008, One Girl Can has partnered with the Ushirika School, which serves about 650 students in Kibera, a slum neighborhood of one million people in Nairobi.

In 2020, GC4C provided \$9,650 to rebuild a students' library at the Ushirika School, furthering their goals to become doctors, engineers, accountants, and scientists. Many of the girls have university in their sights. Although the Ushirika School was gradually being updated (GC4C funded construction of a new science lab in 2019), for safety reasons, the government of Kenya ordered immediate reconstruction of the remaining



The library before renovations (inset) was dark and crowded; the new library is bright and spacious, with ample ventilation. The library will stock curriculum books for all students, as well as information about other topics like leadership, sexual reproductive health and journals and newspapers so that students can learn what is happening outside the slum and even outside Kenya.

parts of the school in late 2019 or it would face closure.

Since 2017, we've donated \$29,400 to One Girl Can!



Adopt-A-Village Laos

In 2020 we donated \$8,000 to Adopt-A-Village for a well that will bring fresh water to taps and toilets at the Ban Bom Secondary School and Orphanage. The funds will pay for a well, water pipes, and connectors, and will support approximately 600 children once the project is complete in early 2021. Ban Bom school is attended by poor students who have one or no parents, or those whose families cannot support them. The labour for the project is to be donated by students and the community.

Since 2016, GC4C has donated almost \$22,400 to Adopt-A Village in Laos.



Students at the Ban Bom Secondary School and Orphanage in Laos.



2020 Annual Fundraiser




100%
of net proceeds
are donated to
children's causes





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- Tax receipt

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Lend a Hand

Do you have time or services to donate? We'd love to hear from you! Email info@gc4c.org and tell us about it.

Donation of Securities

Yes, you can donate securities (e.g. shares or warrants) to a registered non-profit organization and receive a tax receipt! For more information on how to donate shares please contact Nancy Curry at: info@gc4c.org

Cash Donation

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