

ZimKids

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

ANNUAL REPORT 2015

The Board of **ZimKids: Community Support** is pleased to present the annual report for the year ended March 31, 2015. This report marks the first year of operation since **ZimKids: Community Support** became registered as a not-for-profit organization in November, 2013 in the Province of Ontario.

ZimKids: Community Support evolved out of a decision to formalize and provide more structure to earlier initiatives supported by ZimArt-in-Trust, the former fundraising arm of ZimArt. (ZimArt promotes and sells the work of artists in Zimbabwe through curating exhibitions of Zimbabwean stone sculpture in public and private spaces. Since 2003 ZimArt has helped raise funds to support vulnerable children in Zimbabwe.)

The work and accomplishments highlighted in this report are possible through the support of many donors, partners and volunteers who believe in the mission of ZimKids. Thanks to your efforts in our first year of operation, we are well positioned to meet our goals for the upcoming year.

Our goals for the next year of operation are to:

- Continue to support Maori Primary School in the school registration process
- Continue to provide agricultural inputs for Nyachuru Secondary School
- Continue to sell batiks and other products for Shingirirai Trust with 100% of the proceeds being returned to the project
- Build our donor base through awareness and fundraising events in Canada

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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OUR MISSION

ZimKids: Community Support is a not-for-profit corporation registered in November 2013, in the province of Ontario, Canada with the following objectives:

To enable vulnerable children of Zimbabwe, their caregivers and the communities in which they live to meet their basic needs, increase their ability to produce sustainable food sources and improve their education and living environments.

To build relationships to increase understanding and unity among peoples of different cultures and countries.

KEY RESULTS

The following achievements exemplify the ways we supported children and families in Zimbabwe over the past year, to improve their education and living environments.

ZIMBABWE PROJECTS: 2014- 2015 RESULTS



Nyachuru Secondary School Howard, Zimbabwe

Agricultural support program -deliveries of fertilizer and seed
*Jan 2015- \$2278.00 (US)

*This provision of agricultural inputs for the school's 35 hectares of land supports a lunch program that feeds all the students and staff for five days a week during the entire school year.



Shingirirai Trust

Women's Coop -batik products
* Dec 2014 - \$1500.00(US)

*This represents 100% of sales revenue achieved through shipping and selling products in Canada made by the Fabric Printing Group.



Maori Primary School Maori, Zimbabwe

Delivery of school furniture, purchase of safe, flag, flag poles
*Sept/Oct 2014 - \$3000 (US)

*This builds upon earlier donations to the school which enabled the construction of two classroom blocks of two classrooms each, toilets, a well and accommodation for teachers. Achievements to date for this project include: an increase in student enrollment; 200 students sitting in desks of their own; use of visual aids, charts and learning aids which have contributed to an improved learning environment.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The financial performance of **ZimKids: Community Support** for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2015 was very strong. Our first year of operation was marked with establishment as a not-for-profit entity with partners, donors and volunteers. Continued financial support has been directed to previously established educational and community projects in Zimbabwe. These projects will continue to require support as reflected in our goals for 2015/2016. Revenues achieved in the 2015/2016 fiscal year, as well as net assets for the year ended March 31, 2015, will be directed to the achievement of these goals.

Statement of operations for the year ended March 31, 2015

REVENUE	
Donation	10,007.00
Auction/Raffle	9,502.00
Craft/Paperweight Sales	11,126.85
Fundraising	7,064.50
Other	155.00
Total Revenue	37,855.35
EXPENSES	
Insurance	594.00
Accounting/Banking	715.80
Legal (Incorporation)	1564.11
Promotion/Communications	53.05
Administration	431.66
Project Implementation- Zimbabwe	7863.68
Other	
Total Expenses	11,322.30
Net Assets End of Year	26,533.05

WITH GRATITUDE

Projects have been made possible through the generosity of many donors both before and since **ZimKids: Community Support** was founded. In particular we would like to thank the following for their support this year:

Individuals in Canada

Stuart and Victoria Lazier who have been the most generous supporters of the school construction and other projects in Zimbabwe since 2006. This year they paid for school furniture at the school (*see Mama Africa below*) and made a direct donation to ZimKids.

Scott Wilkie and Denise Quick who have generously supported the school project for the past three years.

Murray Gamble who has been a long-time supporter of projects in Zimbabwe and who this year paid for the repair of the bush pump at the school. His donation was paid directly to the company in Zimbabwe and is not reflected in the budget.

Frank and Lorna Lippa
Andrew and Marianne Guizzetti
Michael Latifi and Helena Russo
Isabel Henniger

Organizations in Canada

Haverгал College who has chosen ZimKids to be one of their Community Partners which means ZimKids can participate in their school-based fund-raising events. This year Haverгал College also selected ZimKids as the beneficiary of an auction of quilts made by the students.

Mama-Africa Foundation is a Montreal-based registered Canadian charity supporting initiatives for vulnerable children and their caregivers in Zimbabwe. They accepted a donation from Stuart and Victoria Lazier to purchase school furniture for Maori Primary School and have the funds flow through their organization. This donation is not reflected in ZimKids financial report as it went directly to Mama-Africa.

Milkweed Pre-School is a Peterborough-based pre-school which undertakes fundraising activities, involving the children, with funds going to ZimKids for the school project in Zimbabwe.

ZimArt is a Canadian business which assists with fundraising for ZimKids in a number of ways including donating sculptures for fund-raising auctions and raffles.

Individuals in Zimbabwe

The following Zimbabwean artists donated sculptures for an auction in Montreal with all proceeds going to ZimKids:

Andamiyo Chihota	Walter Mariga
Singi Chihota	Givemore Mashaya
Simon Chidharara	Stephen Murenza
Vengai Chiwawa	Letwin Mugavazi
Authur Manyengedzo	