

Increase our Impact Internationally

New projects for 2025-26: **Honey Bees** **Solar Lights** **Toilets** **Improved Farming**

Project Descriptions

Anti-Malaria Bed Nets

Malaria is one of the leading killers of children in Africa. 625,000 people die every year due to malaria. 70% of malaria victims are children under age 5. Malaria is the number one killer of pregnant women in developing countries with tropical climates. Long-lasting, insecticidal nets (LLIN) will prevent many of the 240 million non-fatal cases of malaria that occur every year. Costing just \$2.00 each, LLINs are a critical, life-saving benefit to people in Africa. **Against Malaria Foundation, Citibank NA, PO Box 7247-6370, Philadelphia, PA 19170-6370 or donate online at <https://againstmalaria.com>**

Menstrual Hygiene Supplies--Ethiopia

Dignity Period is a St. Louis based non-profit distributing menstrual hygiene supplies in Ethiopia where menstruation is a taboo subject. The hygiene kits include 4 washable, reusable pads that last 12 months. Not only do they meet the needs of girls during their periods, but they also keep 240 disposable pads, tampons, and panty shields out of the trash per person, per year. **<https://www.dignityperiod.org>. Specify that your donation is for Ethiopia.**



Heifer International —Honey Bees and Trees

Endorsed by Rotary International, Heifer International is at work in dozens of low-income countries around the globe reducing poverty, improving health and living conditions and providing opportunities for economic independence. The Heifer International Gift Basket for the Earth purchase of honey bees and tree seedlings helps families increase their crop production while caring for the earth.

Go to <https://heifer.org/gift-catalog/caring-for-the-earth-gift-basket.html>.



Preventable Blindness

Globally 43 million people are blind and 295 million more live with moderate to severe visual impairment. 77% of these cases are completely preventable or treatable. Cataracts, glaucoma, trachoma, and trichiasis are common eye diseases that are treatable and preventable. Blindness is a gender issue: globally there are 112 million more women than men living with vision loss. While some barriers to eye care exist for both genders, lack of education, difficulty accessing finances, and an inability to travel mean that women and girls are disproportionately affected by blindness. The Rotary Action Group for Preventable Blindness recognizes **Orbis International** as a leading provider of eye care to vulnerable populations in developing countries. The surgeries they perform range from \$25 - \$50.

Donate online or by mail: <https://www.orbis.org> or Orbis, 52 Vanderbilt Avenue, 8th Floor, New York, New York 10017 1-800-672-4787



Maama Kits in Uganda

Innovations for Transformation Initiative (ITI) pursues multi-faceted strategies to uplift and transform the lives of rural Ugandans. Childbirth in Uganda is dangerous for both the mother and newborn. **Maama Kits** include items that most rural village women can't afford. The Maama Kit is given free of charge to pregnant women who visit the ITI mobile clinic. It contains essentials such as a baby wrapper, laundry soap, pair of gloves, gauze, cord ligature, and a polythene sheet to cover the delivery table. This \$5 Maama Kit helps prevent infection of both the mother and the newborn. Wire your donation through bank transfer with a \$70 bank fee.

Email contact@itiuganda.org with transfer confirmation details.

BANK NAME: Housing Finance Bank
ACCOUNT NAME: Innovations for Transformation Initiative
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 1300033616
SWIFT CODE: HFINUGKAXXX

Microcredit Loans

Over 35,000 women in Liberia have benefited over the last 20 years from a microcredit loan. A loan of as little as \$100 helps a woman start a business while she participates in a microcredit program that includes business support and coaching in weekly meetings. 95% of women in a microcredit program repay the loan within 8 – 12 months and the loan is recycled to additional recipients in a community. Not only does microcredit lift a family out of poverty, the micro-lending concept transforms entire communities through the economic empowerment and independence of women. **Donate online at www.foundationforwomen.org or mail check to Foundation for Women, P.O. Box 2786, La Jolla, CA 92038**

Shelter Box

Right now 100 million people around the world have lost their homes due to natural disaster or political conflict. Shelter Box offers emergency shelter, tools, and household items to families after disaster, enabling them to begin to rebuild and recover, transforming despair into hope. A complete \$1000 Shelter Box contains a family tent, and essential supplies such as blankets, solar lights, a kitchen set and more.

Shelter Box USA, P.O. Box 103299, Pasadena, CA 91189-3299



Solar Lights

680 million people in Africa live without access to electricity. Many homes are lit with dirty, dangerous, and expensive kerosene lamps which are responsible for high rates of childhood burns, respiratory infections, poisonings, and house fires. Renewable solar lights offer a safe and affordable way to light homes, schools, clinics, and businesses. **Let There Be Light International, 640 Elliot Street, #12B, Buffalo, NY 14203 or donate online at <https://www.lettherebelightinternational.org>.**

World Toilet Organization

One of every three people on the planet don't have access to toilets. Every two minutes a child dies of diarrheal diseases that could be prevented with improved water, sanitation and hygiene. Millions of girls and women face disease, harassment, shame and threat of violence when they have no choice but to relieve themselves in the open. Global economic losses associated with inadequate water and sanitation are \$260 million annually. Endorsed by Rotary International, the World Toilet Organization works in numerous countries to provide people with access to toilets. Because WTO is headquartered in Singapore, the best way to support this work is to donate online at <https://worldtoilet.org>.

Zambia Maize Improvement Project

Illinois Rotarian Eric Dolbeare trains Zambian farmers in new methods of corn production with the goal of reducing food scarcity and malnutrition. Nearly 500 farmers have been trained in ways to increase production of their small acre farms for their own food consumption as well as for selling to the local markets. The money from those sales helps the farmer to increase acreage, expand into other areas such as hog production, and even to build better homes for his family. Training Zambian farmers costs approximately \$20 per farmer. Learn more about Eric's work on YouTube; search Zambia Maize Improvement Project or Eric Dolbeare. **Send check with "Zambia Project" in memo line to Rotary District 6460 Foundation, 2020 Main St., South Jacksonville, Illinois 62650.**

CAP Grant application deadline June 15
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Empowering Girls application deadline Sept. 1
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