

support for self-reliance

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After summer holidays we started working on projects in different countries:

Zimbabwe: Bulawayo Projects Centre built two new workshops. The DWW is refurbishing sewing machines, knitting machines, bicycles, computers, tools and machinery for those workshops. College students in Zwolle are working on the development of a bike-car. This can be used by the workers in Bulawayo transporting goods.



3Bike bike container South Africa

We are busy filling a second container with refurbished Dutch quality bikes. Andre Wheeldon from Ben Association, Cape Town, was very enthusias-



tic receiving the first bike container: "We never saw a better consignment". The 183 bikes were assembled without problems and dispatched to several users.

Uganda: The SKIT project (Sewing Knitting Information Transfer) in Kenya has been a success. At the end of 2009 2 DWW volunteers will go to Uganda for a new SKIT training programme. They will be assisted by two Kenyan SKIT trainers.



Partner URDT will coordinate the training in their Headquarters in Kagadi. West Uganda. ICOO/Impulsis and ETC are co-financing this project. The DWW Uganda container full of refurbished goods for many projects did arrive in Kampala.



The DWW container arrived in Kenya is was cleared and the goods were delivered or collected in a very short period of time.

We supported 9 different projects with refurbished quality goods. We received a nice thank you from the St. Justinus school in Nairobi, father Grol's Welfre Project, Apostels of Jesus Aids Ministry, Kuap Pandipieri, Geen Gehoor.

Jubilees.

Lucien de Jongh has been a volunteer at the DWW for 15 years. He has been working in nearly all sections. He did woodwork, worked at the tool section, repaired bicycles and at the moment he services sewing machines. He also helps collecting goods with the van from firms and private persons.



Ben Oomens and Martijn Pellis have been working for 5 years at the tool section.

At the wood section Roger Cappendijk worked 10 years as a volunteer and Herman Rouppe van der Voort 5 years. We are grateful for their dedication.

Project information

Makangi Group in Mwanza, Tanzania has received tools and sewing machines. They sent their thanks. Due to those goods they will be able to earn a living and improve the quality of their products. The 19 people and their families will certainly benefit from those goods. The Wild Geese helped paying for the costs.



Eliza Dressmaking and Training Centrum Ngong Kenya.

Elizabeth Njeri was one of the first trainees at a SKIT training in Kenya. She became a certified trainer and trained several young people. The riots in 2008 and the economic crisis did not leave her unharmed. Yet she continues training people and improving her workshop.



Micom Benin

Josephine Kintogandou wrote a letter thanking for the DWW sewing machine which she received through Miccom. She would not have been able to finance a machine herself. Now she earns a decent living for her and her family of 7, and she is able to train 2 persons.



Happy Home Academy Ghana.

Happy Home Academy has received computers and sewing machines. The goods arrived very fast at their destiny.

Thanks to Loveness who lives in Breda and who made the efforts for the school in her place of birth.

Interview with a volunteer

Amar Dihi (62 years) started at the DWW in 1999. His country of birth is Morocco. After some years in France he came to the Netherlands in 1970, where he worked at a canning factory. The factory closed and Amar became jobless. Luckily he could start at the DWW at the tools section. As a volunteer he did social work with children, was member of the parents committee and of the board of the Mosque of Breda.



Primary school active for Kaskazini

Helder Camara primary school in Teteringen organised an activity day for their pupils. The result was €1715 for Kaskazini Project, Isiolo, Kenya. The project focuses on vocational training. The area is struck by a severe drought and technical training is important for youngsters. Thanks to the pupils, teachers and parents of the Helder Camara School.



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