

Canadian Communities for Africa
President's Annual Report for 2018

The Year in Summary

Once again it was another busy year for the Canadian Communities for Africa Society. The Board remains committed to the ongoing needs of children in central Africa and we continue to collaborate well with our partners to deliver clear outcomes.

The situation in Burundi and the Congo have not changed significantly this past year. Despite the ongoing challenges, we have been able to continue all of our programs, including support to child and teacher sponsorships, Gitega Clinic, The Rohero Clinic Surgery Recovery Room, and the Emmanuel Centre Children's home. We have also made significant progress towards establishing a well in the Eastern Congo.

We give thanks to all who assisted us in our annual fundraising initiatives in Bella Coola and Kimberley that raised more funds for Africa. Administrative work was all completed in order to achieve the required transition to the new BC Societies Act by November 2018.

Teresa Corbould and David Corbould were able to visit Burundi and the Congo in April 2018. She intends to visit Burundi again in April 2019 to review progress on all our projects.

Our core values regarding support to women, children and families recovering from war remain steadfast. Our focus on medical support and education continues as we partner with established NGO's and groups in Africa.

Update on CC4Africa Board

At the 27 January 2018, Annual General Meeting the membership voted to extend the following directors for another term:

Teresa Corbould
Margaret Stewart
Michel Bazille
Nancy Anderson
Joan Cole
Ron Bragdon
Andre Corbould
David Corbould
Helen Comerford

The Board Executive continues to consist of:

President/Chair: Andre Corbould

Vice Chair: Margaret Stewart

Treasurer: Dave Corbould

Secretary: Vacant. Note that Marcus Corbould continues to serve as Recording Secretary for meetings.

Update on Transition of CC4Africa to the new BC Societies Act

British Columbia Registries requires that all BC Societies must formally transition to the new Societies Act no later than 28 November 2018. The Board completed the transition in 2018 in order to comply with the BC Societies Act. This matter is now considered closed.

Financial Update

In 2018, CC4Africa brought in \$66,140.60 through monthly donations and key fundraising events (two yard sales, one Arts and Crafts sale, and a Kimberley Open House). Of this, the Charity disbursed \$54,212.47 as Charitable Gifts and \$2,163.49 in Administration expenses, which includes insurance. Our administration fees overall are running between 3% and 4% of our total budget.

Key charitable activities were: School Fees, Gitega Children's Home, Teacher Salaries, Child Sponsorships, Recovery Room at Rohero Clinic, the Well Project and General donations.

Holdings at end of 2017 were \$32,822.59. Current holdings at the end of 2018 are \$26,425.67.

Update in Important Well Project

The well head is completed and capped. We are awaiting the installation of solar pump, water lines, cement pads for the holding tanks and distribution sites. The timeline for pump installation is end February 2019.

Conclusion

Our future is bright, our finances are solid, and our Board is focused. We remain steadfast in our commitment to our core values and developing our operations in a way that allows CC4Africa to concentrate our efforts on the health and education of women and children. We truly appreciate all involved with CC4Africa and extend a vote of thanks to you all for your dedication and ongoing support.

Thank you!

Kenneth Andre Corbould
CC4Africa Chair

To be presented at Annual General Meeting: 2 February 2019