

Connecting and strengthening communities - 2022



2022 Peace Fellow Dawa Sherpa (Texas A&M University) helped girls build a soap business in Zimbabwe

Connecting fiber artists in the US and Africa









From left: Stella Makena was one of 40 Kenyan artists who produced embroidery for our 2022 *Sister Artists* quilt challenge; Judy Miller in California turns Stella's *Firefinch* into an art quilt; Betty Hill in Washington, DC purchases the quilt through an auction - proceeds been invested in a composting project run by the Kenyan fiber artists in Nairobi): AP opened *Southern Stitchers* to sell embroidery from the South - Stella's Dragonfly was quickly snapped up!

Community vaccination campaigns connect 7 nations

















Abigael's embroidered design in Nairobi (top let) inspired vaccination campaigns in Nairobi. Uganda, Zimbabwe, Bangladesh, Nepal and among tribal peoples in India. We wore Abigael's tee-shirt at the NIH in Washington. **Outcome = 10,000+ jabs**

Composting in Africa's largest slum inspires US high schools

















From left: Kibera produces 230 tons of garbage a day. The *Shield of Faith* association responds by composting food waste at home; adding worms; producing leachate; selling the leachate; adding the leachate to kitchen gardens and producing organic food. We support composting in US schools and hope eventually to connect composting students from the US and Kenya.

Designing dinnerware for daughters of the disappeared in Nepal





Kushma is one of several family members of the disappeared in Nepal who have stitched stories of festivals. We have placed their designs on sample dinnerware and are seeking a commercial outlet in the US.

Connecting US volunteers with Afghan refugees







AP funded a program by Sadiqa (top left) to educate girls in Afghanistan 2002 – 2010. Following the 2021 fall of Kabul we raised over \$2,000 to help a large family of Afghan refugees in the US cook meals for events in Maryland

US generosity funds hygiene in Ugandan schools











Working through US graduate students, we have equipped five primary schools in Uganda with accessible toilets and handwashing. The project has produced a partnership between Rotary clubs in the US (top right) and Uganda.

Selling Clean Girl soap in Zimbabwe and the US





We have supported soap-making by girls in Zimbabwe and high schools students in Arlington VA. Left: Tanatswa, in Harare, Zimbabwe, is one of the top soap-sellers. Right: Nahier and Elena in Arlington, VA, sold their soap for \$682 – enough to put several girls through school in Zimbabwe.

Connecting donors with vulnerable communities – the River Gypsies of Bangladesh











Top left: Cristy West in the US donated \$1,000 to buy a fishing boat for Gypsies. The catch pays the salaries of crew members and supports a feeding kitchen for the old and vulnerable.

Fellows for Peace connect North and South





Connecting the US with Africa: Left - Talley Diggs (George Washington University) worked at Children Peace Initiative Kenya, helping CPIK's program to build peace between the Samburu and Turkana tribes in Northwest Kenya (2017). Right - Julia Holladay (GWU) helped CPIK to launch a start-up for Samburu and Pokot businesswomen in Samburu County (2022).