

We the People, Inc. of the United States Donates Millions to Lusaka, Zambia

We the People, Inc. of the United States donates 21.8 million dollars in relief aid to Lusaka, Zambia.

Dec. 7, 2009 - [PRLog](#) -- Tallahassee, FL – Somewhere on a plot of land in a village miles from Lusaka, Zambia is an orphan who will wake up today with better odds of survival than ever before. They have a school to go to, educated teachers to teach them, food to eat, and most importantly for this community in particular – preferential access to a medical facility that helps prevent and effectively treat HIV patients. The UN’s AIDS Report in 2008 stated that Zambia has one of the world’s most devastating AIDS and HIV epidemics in the world; more than one in every seven adults in Lusaka is living with AIDS and life expectancy in 2008 dropped to 42 years. At the Sekelela Orphanage in Lusaka live 600 children who wake up every day breathing this statistic.

We the People, Inc. of the United States , a charitable nonprofit corporation organized in 1987, is receiving their fair share of notoriety for their over 60 million dollars in international aid donated since the beginning of this year. Last month they shipped a second container to Sekelela Orphanage in Lusaka, Zambia; 26,650 pounds of relief materials valued at 21.8 million dollars. Items included in this shipment: 14,000 needles, millions of dollars in pharmaceuticals and antibiotics, a 4-bottom plow, hay wagon, shoes, clothes, and exam tables.

When Bill Henry of America’s Heart, a Jacksonville-based nonprofit corporate sole, was able to communicate the goal of his international relief organization to Bill Reeves (Vice President of WTP) and Richard Olive (Director of Development of WTP), the giving began. America’s Heart operates out of a 32,000 sq ft warehouse that exports domestically donated relief supplies to hard-to-transport locations, such as Afghanistan, the location of WTP’s first shipment. WTP funds the relief projects; America’s Heart ships it.

What spurs this Tallahassee-based nonprofit to continue giving and in such large amounts? Richard Olive, when asked, said “It’s great that we have been able to send over supplies to start a clinic, but what is really important is how you sustain it. To continue to send over pharmaceuticals, needles, exam beds... that’s what matters.” This coincided with Bill Reeve’s answer, “It’s one thing to drop materials to a village in need, but if you can supply them with a method of sustainability for micro industry, a means to trade their excess and build their own economy, than you’ve donated to something with exponential force.”

WTP currently receives 0 dollars from public grant money.

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