



2011

2011 marks our 5th year as a Canadian Charitable organization, providing support for the widows and orphans of Rwanda since 2007.

PARTNERS AND PROJECTS

SURF (Survivors Fund)

Cyangugu Wellness Centre

- funds were provided by INSPIRE!africa for the reconstruction and creation of the Wellness Centre. This building will be a community centre to generate income for AVEGA and employment opportunities for genocide survivors as well as for general meetings of AVEGA members.
- the building was operational by the end of 2011, with the focus of work being on education, counseling and training.
- INSPIRE!africa also donated monies for two community development workers (one is specialized in health; one is specialized in livelihoods) to provide the training to the widows.
- INSPIRE!africa supporters also provided funds for 100 hygiene kits for the local community

Solace Ministries

Livestock for Widows

- 2 cows, 80 goats, and 50 bees & beehives purchased by INSPIRE!africa

Rwanda Multi Learning Centre (RMLC)

- 5 full time teachers, INSPIRE!africa subsidizes teachers' salaries
- 150+ students in 2011, enrolled in courses offered in English, computers, business, and music. Over 70 students successfully completed all of their courses in 2011.
- in 2011, the RMLC helped 22% of current students find jobs, and 15% went on to university thanks to the sponsorship program

- INSPIRE!africa provided money for 20 more desks and chairs, as well as office furnishings for the new building

Student Sponsorships

- All 10 students successfully completed their studies and their sponsorship will continue
- Rwanda's school year shifted to be similar to the Canada, UK and US with a September start. Some sponsored students have entered their final year of university; some have completed their high school and are successfully moving onto university.

Fundraising Activities

5th Annual Fundraiser

November 17, 2011 Webster Galleries, we raised over \$80,000

Book Sale- Many of our supporters belong to the same book club, and they hosted a book sale to fundraise for INSPIRE!africa. It was a huge success!

Other Activities and Events

Speaker Series

- Old's High School- UNESCO World schools conference
- National Energy Board

Videos

- [Finding Hope and Inspiration in Rwanda](#) - Created by Dennis Ekvall
- [Rising From the Ashes](#) - spotlight on the RMLC, narrated by Mike Farrell

Information Booths

- Hillhurst United Church
- Justice Film Festival

Administrative Activities

- Welcomed Darla Maxwell, fundraiser coordinator for November 2011
- AGM was held in March, 2011

Total Revenues \$90,234.60

Disbursed: \$126,112.00 (monies carried over from 2010)