

## MAKINDU VOCATIONAL PROGRAM (MVP) 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

**Mission Statement:** Empower youth and build sustainable community through quality vocational training.

**Executive Director:** Jan Johnson

**Board Members:** Maggie Chase, Jim Cooper, Bev Forster, Marty Johnson, Bruce Robbins

### Accomplishments in 2019:

- Makindu Advanced Training College (MATC) held its first graduation! In November, 26 students graduated from the 2-year program, and 19 have been employed. Students made their own graduation gowns and mortarboards. Founders Jan and Marty Johnson were guests of honor.



- 9 of the graduating students, who live in extreme poverty, were able to complete the 2-year certification in this vocational program due to the generosity of our sponsors.
- The school greatly expanded, with 60 current first-year students. The expansion required major construction of a dormitory to house 130 students, an improved waste water system, and other auxiliary buildings to accommodate increased enrollment.



- A second annual fundraiser, hosted by Inge Tarantola in August, raised over \$16,000 from contributors to support the school and its students.



- Makindu Vocational Program (USA) continued to attract volunteers, including Pat Hamilton, has volunteered to manage the MVP Facebook page, and new board members Jim Cooper and Bev Forster. Pat, Jim, and Bev traveled with Jan and Marty to Makindu this year, as Maggie Chase, Bruce Robbins, and Lee Ann Tyselling did last year. During these trips, members of MVP met with the Kenyan board of the Makindu Children's Center.

### Looking Ahead to 2020:

- Makindu Children's Centre Board (MCC) is working on getting 2 acres of land adjacent to the Children's Program to be donated by the government.
- MCC will reach out to the governor of Kenya for increased funding
- MCC will track graduating students to learn their employment status and what they need to be successful.
- MCC will evaluate the use of students to make uniforms, and do tailoring and beauty therapy in the community as income-generating activities.
- MCC hopes to install solar panels to save on expenses and provide a more reliable source of energy.
- MCC has a goal of adding another classroom to accommodate increased enrollment.
- MCC will explore ways to maximize instructor time, including using program graduates as interns.
- MVP/MATC will focus on the quality of the program as well as sustainability.

### Financials

Raised \$57,882.67 in 2019 Sent \$51,303.00 to Kenya Expenses \$4,953.97 Balance \$1,625.70

**2019 Gold Donors (Donated \$100 or more)**

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