



ETFO HUMANITY FUND

The ETFO Humanity Fund supports children and their teachers around the world, enriching their lives and the lives of their communities.

How does it work?

For most of its history, the ETFO Humanity Fund has been financed through the payroll deductions of members in locals who have chosen to participate. Members from these participating locals have a dime-a-day (\$20 per year) deducted from their salary through an arrangement made with the employer that allows automatic payroll deductions. These funds are then forwarded to the ETFO Humanity Fund by the members' school boards. In addition, a resolution passed by delegates at the 2011 Annual Meeting determined that every active member of ETFO contributes 0.0046% of their gross annual salary to the ETFO Humanity Fund.

The ETFO Humanity Fund is run by a board made up of members of the provincial Executive, leaders from participating locals and two rank-and-file members of ETFO.

Applications for funding are considered for acceptance twice a year, once in the fall and once in the spring. The application is online at etfohumanityfund.ca. Any registered Canadian charity is welcome to apply to fund projects in Ontario and around the world.

The ETFO Humanity Fund signature charity is the Stephen Lewis Foundation, stephenlewisfoundation.org. Its mandate is to provide care for women suffering from HIV/AIDS, to assist orphans and other children affected by AIDS, to support grandmothers caring for orphaned grandchildren and to support groups of people living with HIV/AIDS.



Creating a world of difference for children and their communities.

Other work supported by ETFO member contributions to the ETFO Humanity Fund

ArtHeart, artheart.ca, supplies free community visual arts education, programs, materials and nourishment within the Regent Park community in Toronto.

Canadian Feed the Children, canadianfeedthechildren.ca, helps increase access to quality education for children, and supports families to gain greater food security to help build sustainable community resilience in Bolivia, Canada, Ethiopia, Ghana and Uganda.

CACHA: The Canada–Africa Community Health Alliance, cacha.ca, works with the most vulnerable populations in Benin, Tanzania, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo in the areas of disease prevention, treatment, support and education.

Christie Refugee Welcome Centre, christiestreetrc.com, advocates for refugee families in Toronto by providing safe, temporary housing, initial settlement services and follow-up support.

CODE, code.ngo, equips African teachers and classrooms with high-quality and culturally relevant learning materials as well as age and language appropriate reading books.

Crossroads International, cintl.org, implements innovative approaches to empower girls, reducing violence against women and girls, increasing their economic autonomy and advancing their rights in sub-Saharan Africa.

Firefighters Without Borders, firefighterswithoutborders.org, provides fire-safety education materials for school children and smoke and CO2 detector alarms for Independent First Nations Alliance households (Whitesand, Lac Seul, Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug, Pikangikum and Muskrat Dam).

HEAL: Health Education and Leadership, healinternational.ca, offers pandemic support for primary schools in Uganda in the following areas: student remote learning homework packages, post-pandemic school start-up costs, and solar electrical power for three primary schools.

Humanity & Inclusion, hi-canada.org, helps children with disabilities in Niger to access and remain in primary education.

OneProsper International, oneprosper.ca, develops cost-effective, sustainable ways of supporting girls in India to go to school and stay in school.

Patricia McAuliffe Educational Organization enables teachers in the Philippines to go out into communities to determine the needs of families and provide for them, whether it be education, food, medicine or clothing.

Pencils for Kids, pencilsforkids.com, supports the Scholarships for Girls program, the Cooper Sewing Centre for girls and the Farmers of the Future program in Niger, West Africa.

TEMBO Canada, projectembo.org, educates for equal opportunities in Tanzania, with a mission to raise awareness and funds to support their Tanzanian partners in providing educational opportunities for girls and women.

Canadian Samaritans for Africa, canadiansamaritansforafrica.org, supports small initiatives at the rural level in Africa in the areas of education, health, women development and water development.

Able Kids Rehab, ablekidsrehab.org, ensures children with disabilities in Malawi are receiving a high-quality education, therapy and nutritious meals.

Generis International, generisinternational.org, fights against poverty by increasing the capacity for education amongst orphans and vulnerable groups in African countries.

Girls Inc. of York Region, girlsincyork.org, offers inclusive and culturally appropriate programming that is delivered by trained staff with diverse educational backgrounds to help young women lead healthy lives, succeed academically and prepare for adulthood.

Young People's Theatre, youngpeoplestheatre.org, facilitates play and drama programs that promote self-esteem, confidence building and positive self expression in children who are living in the Toronto shelter system.

PIH: Partners In Health, pihcanada.org, covers the cost of increased Nourimanba (a locally produced peanut-based nutritional paste) supplies needed in Haiti to treat malnourished children and prevent under-five deaths.