

DBL newsletter

UTi's Charitable Foundation— "Delivering Better Lives"

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Reflections on 2010

"Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves."

> James Matthew Barrie

Personally, and for many others, 2010 was a difficult year. Yet 2010 was also a year where the work of the foundation continued to grow and where **you** helped **Deliver Better Lives** to thousands of children in Countries across all continents.

The work that we do is for and on behalf of all of the people who are UTi. Without you, we could not have the impact we do in changing and improving the lives of those who are less fortunate. It is not always easy to support causes outside of our own family. As we all struggle with the challenges of meeting our day-to-day commitments, we see within the UTi family a generosity and spirit of giving that is quite extraordinary. It is a selflessness that ensures others get the help they need.

With your support and most importantly, the support of UTi Worldwide, we have **Delivered Better Lives** to an estimated 50,000 people in 2010. This is an incredible outcome for an organization as small as we are, and shows just how much can be done with the passion and desire to change lives.

Among the many lives changed in 2010 were:



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- The young women who live in and are supported by La Chinca, a home for abused young girls in Medellin, Colombia
- The people of Mangahhan in Manila, Philippines who have been provided with a new Child and Youth Development Center which opened in December
- The children of Mashitsi Village in Burundi who now have a school to attend
- The orphans of Casa Esperanza in Chile, who now live in comfort and play safely
- The children at the Joanna Buethelle Orphanage in Mumbai, who continue to see their lives improved with new rooms and on-site teachers
- The abandoned and abused young women cared for by Madre Carmelita in Guadalajara, Mexico
- The hundreds of students of Tshabalala Primary School in Khatlehong, South Africa

These people and many more owe their new found hope to all of you. Be proud of who and what we are, for we make a difference in the world.

Together, let's make 2011 a year where we do more for more people, approach life with a concern for others, and where "Random Acts of Kindness" become the norm in our lives.

We at **Delivering Better Lives** wish you all the best for 2011 and look forward to your continued support and passion.

Glenn Mills



Mangahhan Child & Youth Development Center



"To see what is right and not do it is want of courage."

Confucius

Thanks to Gawad Kalinga and the UTi Charitable Foundation, the people of Mangahhan, Manila, have a new focus for their revitalized community.

On 12 December, 2010, the UTi team in Manila participated in an opening ceremony for a new Child and Youth Development Center in Mangahhan. The Mangahhan community at the center is just one part of an overall redevelopment of

what was formerly a large urban squatter's camp where local families had established homes using whatever materials they could find.

Instituted by Gawad Kalinga, a Manila based charity, the project involved the construction of over 600 homes. Knowing that homes alone do not create a community, the Foundation was approached by the UTi Manila team to help out. The end result is a new Child and Youth Development Center where the local people can meet, play, and learn. Having a local community center is new to the people of Manila and is one of the critical steps in creating a communal environment filled with hope and a future.

Tom Burgess, Vice President, Revenue Management/Shared Services for our Freight Forwarding Support Center in Manila represented the Foundation at the official opening ceremony. The hard work of our UTi people and true beauty of the project is reflected in the photographs from the event.

Foundation Creates A New Entity in Australia

Tom Burgess welcomes the

Center's opening ceremony



As our Foundation grows and the knowledge of our work spreads, we are being asked by more and more people how they can donate and support our work. Many of these donors seek to donate to an organization that provides them with tax deductions.

At the UTi Charitable Foundation we are continually reviewing legal tax status in each country. The Foundation has made the decision to only seek tax deductible status when donations in a country are of such a size to warrant it. We currently have non-profit legal tax status in the USA and have recently reached the need for such status in Australia. The process to gain tax deductible status has commenced on a pro bono basis by Piper Alderman, the law firm used by UTi Australia. We would like to thank Ross Ellison, Managing Director of UTi Australia, for introducing us to the law firm, and the people at Piper Alderman for their donated time and efforts in making our tax deductible status happen. We will keep all posted once the process is complete.



"And the

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Erica

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New Projects Approved for 2011

The Foundation is continually seeking and evaluating new projects in countries in which UTi does business. Three new projects were approved during our past two Trustee meetings and each will commence in the first quarter of 2011.

India - Bhander School South of Delhi

This project involves the construction of a major new school for over 300 students in a small village some 200 kilometers south of Delhi. A local family has donated land for the construction of 12 additional rooms on an existing school site. Currently, many classes are conducted in the open air and existing rooms are small, dark, and inadequate for proper education of local children.

An exciting aspect of this project is that Safmarine has agreed to help contribute towards the costs, bringing a closer relationship with this major vendor. The project was recommended to the Foundation by the UTi team in India and is expected to be completed by the end of 2011.

Jordan - Promising Hands

This project will involve the upgrading of a school facility located on a local refugee camp. Recommended by our team in Jordan, the project will help deliver a range of life improving programs to the children living in the camps.

South Africa - Ebuhleni Preschool & Creche

After evaluating a number of projects in the Durban area, support has been selected for the Ebuhleni Preschool and Creche. The preschool operates on land donated for educational purpose by a church in Kwa Masu, north of Durban.



Students of the Ebuhleni Preschool and Creche

The project will involve the extension of existing buildings, upgrade of toilets and wash facilities, and a range of work that will help **Deliver Better Lives** to the young children and families in Kwa Masu.

This project was brought to the South African team and then the Foundation by **Ayanda Mlotshwa**, who lives in the area and has had personal involvement with the facility. Work on this project will begin in January and continue over the following 6 months.

Thank you to all UTi people around the world who have brought these projects to the attention of the Foundation. We are all making a difference by *Delivering Better Lives* in our communities!

Your Input Can Help Improve Our Foundation



It has now been some 5 years since the work of the UTi Charitable Foundation commenced. The Trustees review the work and operations of the Foundation on a continual basis and we now feel that it is time to look at what we do, how we do it, and whether anything needs change.



As the major supporter of the Foundation, we would like to offer to all UTi people around the globe the opportunity to put forward any ideas you feel should be considered during our review process.

Thoughts or comments may be directed to Glenn Mills at gmills@go2uti.com.

UTi's Culture of Caring Drives Support for Communities Everywhere

As we have often stated, there is simply too much wonderful work being done by UTi teams around the world to report on them all! In each edition of *Delivering Better Lives*, we try to cover some of the wonderful charitable activities that truly reflect on the spirit of who we are.

"Success demands singleness of purpose."

Unknown

During the recent holidays, our new team at the Shared Services Center in Portland, Oregon took on a philanthropic challenge. Divided into three teams, the Portland office had a contest to see who could collect the most food for distribution to the needy. Bragging rights were on the line, with the three teams collecting the following amount (in ounces) of food:

Food for Thought	3998.1
Soup-er Heroes in Training	3664.7
Soup-er Kings	2481.0



Team members of the UTi Portland Office Food Drive

In all, over 633 pounds of food was collected and donated to the Oregon Food Bank. The office also sponsored two local families in need during Christmas, providing holiday cheer by purchasing every item on the families' wish list. Congratulations to all for your wonderful efforts and teamwork!

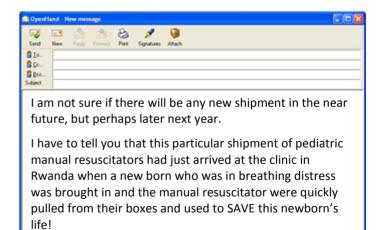
Another Day at Work - Delivering Better Lives



In November one of our UTi family members in Helsinki, Finland, **Hanna Sillanpää**, handled what she thought was an ordinary shipment for GE Healthcare.

Little did she know, at the time of the transaction, just how important it was and how much of an impact the items being shipped would have on the life of a Rwandan child.

According to Hanna, "After the shipment arrived, we received this fantastic email from Assist International - take a read, it shows what a difference we can make every day."



Thank you for your service!

Best Regards,

Michelle Franzia

Assist International

What a wonderful outcome! Thank you to Hanna for sharing how our daily efforts can make an impact.



Thrift Books of the USA & Delivering Better Lives Join Hands to Deliver Books in Africa



Over a year ago, the Foundation was contacted by **Heidi Shoemaker** from UTi in Seattle, Washington, regarding a possible joint project between the

Foundation and her previous employer, Thrift Books. Thrift Books is the largest online seller of used books in the US. Heidi wanted to see if there was a way in which our two organizations could work together to deliver surplus books to needy people in the communities in which we serve.

Though it has been a while since Heidi first introduced us to Hector Rivas of Thrift Books, we are happy to state that we have begun to deliver books into Africa. The first three

containers of books have been shipped and we hope to see them delivered to schools and communities throughout South Africa over the coming months.

The process has been long and often frustrating and there are many who have moved all sorts of obstacles to make it happen. We would like to take the opportunity to thank the following people who helped make our combined efforts a reality: Ruth Carson, Marisca Hendricks, Susan Kessinger, David Liebenberg, Peter Van De Biezen, Heidi Shoemaker, Hayley Van der Walt, and Andre Wagner. We would also like to thank the many helping hands, whose names may have been missed, but whose efforts brought the project to fruition. Our work will be rewarded once the books are placed into the hands of the children who will grow from having them.

"The only immortality is not to do what one has to do when one has to do it."

Jean Anouilh

Running for Others



Jerome Baudry, a resident of Lyon, France and member of the UTi Paris team, recently ran the Lyon Marathon to raise funds for the Foundation. As can be seen from the photo, Jerome not only had a

good time (funny how these French people get their fun) but successfully completed the marathon. Our heartfelt thanks to Jerome for the funds he raised and congratulations on an effort well done.

Learn More About DBL

The work of the UTi Foundation is only possible with the ongoing support of UTi people worldwide. Not only do UTi people provide funding for the many projects the foundation supports, they also often take on the physical work and challenges of our projects. We know that not everyone can afford to donate but we can all be passionate about helping others and that is often all that is needed.

If you are new to UTi and would like to find out more about the work of the Foundation and how you can help, visit us at www.deliveringbetterlives.org.



"Thank you to everyone who contributed to this Edition of Delivering Better Lives "

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