

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGE LETTER (Rev. 2a, 2019-08-04)



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**Letter of Support for The Rotary Club of Namugongo's MoonCatcher Project
Matching Global Grant Application GG1872625;
Providing a way for thousands of girls to stay active and to stay in school.
ROTARY DISTRICT 9211, UGANDA**

I am (We are) pleased to pledge \$ _____ for the subject matching grant.

I (We) have heard that the Rotary Club of Namugongo has been visiting the schools and spoken with the school girls. They have seen firsthand how girls needlessly drop out of school, leading to early marriage, to early childbearing, and to a lack of financial stability. Our understanding is that this grant will provide thousands of FREE reusable, washable menstrual kits (3 pads per kit) to school girls that can be worn even without underwear. They will be produced in Uganda for about \$5 each, materials and labor, thus supporting employment and the local economy. For sustainability, this grant also provides for sewing machines and related equipment for creating an additional sewing guild, to be supported by The Rotary Club of Namugongo. I am (We are) proud to be a part of Rotary's areas-of-focus for education and for women's health.

Please find enclosed a check made out to "**Scotia Rotary Foundation**", with "**Uganda MoonCatcher GG1872625**" in the memo line. Per The Rotary Foundation (TRF), our contribution will be forwarded to TRF only after the fundraising is completed and the grant is approved. We appreciate that our contribution will be **matched 50%** by The Rotary Foundation, that it is **tax deductible** and that we will receive **Paul Harris Recognition Points**.



Yours in Service,

Name(s)

Rotary Club (if a Rotarian)

Please assign the **Paul Harris Points** to _____

If a Rotarian, the Paul Harris Recipient's Club is _____

Why Empower Girls?

Why is it so important to Empower Girls?

Give a man a fishing pole, and he eats for a lifetime.

But give a woman a fishing pole, and her community prospers for generations.

Around the globe, women are incapacitated 5-days every month. They drop out of school, leading to early childbearing. MoonCatchers give women their freedom to stay in school.

One of the greatest threats to the planet is overpopulation. Experts say the only humane solution lies in the education of women.



PDG Karen Babin and Helen Penna, MoonCatcher session in Pakistan. Counter-productive superstitions that they found included not to wash and not to eat eggs or meat during menstruation. The accompanying education is key.



Happy girls in Africa with their new MoonCatcher kits provided by The MoonCatcher Project.



MoonCatcher creator Ellie von Wellsheim, with interpreter. Rotarians will be providing the education component along with the kits.



Each \$5 donation provides a kit, with 3 pads per kit. Think of how many girls will be helped with a contribution of \$25 or \$100 after Foundation match!!