

THE GREATER CONTRIBUTION,  
CHANGING LIVES ONE LOAN AT A TIME.

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023



**“Give a man a fish;  
he’ll eat for a day.  
Give a woman a  
micro loan, she,  
her children, her  
husband and her  
extended family will  
eat for a lifetime.”**

— Bono

# President's Message



Dear Supporters,

2023 is behind us and it has been a momentous and joyous year for The Greater Contribution. A year of great milestones, life-changing opportunities for the women and children of Uganda, and tremendous prospects for the future of our organization.

I am thrilled to share with you a remarkable development for this organization. We have been graced with tremendously generous donations given to create an Endowment Fund which will secure the future of The Greater Contribution so the work we all treasure will continue. The fund was generously initiated by Dave and Jeanne Matthews with \$35,000. We were also gifted with stock worth \$499,000 given by Fred Simmons. These endowment funds will be held in secure financial instruments and may only be used in dire financial situations, generating interest and assuring the future of The Greater Contribution. A truly momentous step for this organization. We are deeply grateful to these donors and to all supporters who have faithfully supported The Greater Contribution for 17 years.

I am also proud to announce that we hit a milestone in 2023. It was the year that together we provided 4,015 new microloans **bringing the total number of loans since beginning our program in 2006 to 30,091 and changing the lives of over 12,000 women and their families.** With your help we're very grateful and proud of this important work that changes so many lives for the better. Not just that we've given so many loans, and with an astounding 98% repayment rate, but that in the process we've enhanced a culture of equanimity. Women now have faith in themselves, courage that they can take out a loan and run a business, and they see how their lives are changed for the better.

For 17 years our TGC program in Uganda has operated on solid footing providing micro loans, mentoring, business skills training, adult literacy and recently distributing hygiene products to young girls to keep them in school. That will continue. In 2023 our fundraising hit new heights allowing us to add 800 more women to the program this year.

Lastly, I want to share with you some hallmarks of The Greater Contribution Program that don't show up in any of our usual reports. During my last trip to Uganda in November I heard a borrower remark that the staff of TGC treats them kindly and like equals, not like other programs they've been involved in. During the same trip, I heard **"We love you for loving us!"** That was the passionate cry one borrower shouted across a crowd gathered in a rural village. I was stunned, deeply touched, and proud to recognize it as the essence of our work. We all give from the love in our hearts and they give the love in their hearts right back.

Thank you for being supporters who care for others in all ways.

With unwavering gratitude,

**Karon Wright**  
President, The Greater Contribution

## OUR TEAM IN THE USA



**Karon Wright**  
President, Co-Founder



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## OUR TEAM IN UGANDA



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Assistant to the  
Program Director



# 2023: A Year of Resilience and Triumph



**“Together we have turned setbacks into comebacks.”**

## Surviving Shocks

2023 was the year we bounced back thanks to The Greater Contribution. Watching the women stabilize on the road to their dreams, is fulfilling.

My heart is full. During the two years of post-COVID-19 and the peak of COVID-19, I almost got distracted and disheartened. It felt like the women who, together with TGC, had worked so hard to thrive were failing, with some giving up on their dreams despite all their hard work.

I just want to let you all know that your contributions to the lives of these hopeful women are not in vain.

I continue to call upon you to be that guardian Angel, you want to be to somebody somewhere. You are appreciated.

**Aloyo Toffister**  
*Program Director – TGC Uganda*

# The Path from Poverty to Literacy

On a bright, sunny mid-week day, hundreds of women were singing and dancing with joy. Some were carrying their babies swathed behind their mothers in colorful wraps. Their voices carried in the wind, taking flight like the birds. This was graduation day from a literacy program that will help empower them with knowledge, dignity, and success in business.

Each woman receives basic training in adult literacy at one of the 20 learning centers that TGC operates. It is conducted for eight months annually for two years. Women learn to read and write in both English and Acholi, their local language. At the end of the two-year program, she is required to pass a government exam to graduate. She is appropriately proud of her accomplishment, and it opens the door to a new level of participation in the community and her economic future.

On my recent trip to Northern Uganda, I had the honor and privilege of attending a graduation ceremony for 400 women. I was told that many could not adequately hold a pencil at the beginning of their studies. I could not imagine the determination to learn basic skills to better one's circumstances. It is also well known that women were quite aware that they were being short-changed at the marketplace but said nothing before learning basic math skills with TGC's literacy programs, as they did not know how to make change! The women are so excited to join the classes that many of them have begun building the needed classrooms to hold the training when no other spaces are available.

The micro loan program gives women the vital skills, confidence, and grace to face the challenge, and commit to studying. This can profoundly change a life and set an example for their children to strive for a more prosperous future.

—By Cathy Cole



“Empowering women through literacy is not just about teaching them to read and write; it’s about unlocking the doors to knowledge, independence, and a world of possibilities. When women are literate, societies flourish, and the echoes of progress resonate for generations to come.” —Anonymous



# Loan Distributions

## EMPOWERING WOMEN:

### The Greater Contribution's Extended Loan Program and New Van — Paving the Way for Sustained Success in Uganda

Lack of capital is one of the primary reasons women living in the developing world are unable to earn a sustainable income. The Greater Contribution provides a solution through micro loans of \$50–\$350 to start or grow a small business. **In 2023, The Greater Contribution distributed 4,015 micro loans to amazing women entrepreneurs in Uganda.**

Our loan program has historically spanned more than two years. However, after a challenging past few years in Uganda due to the pandemic, a drought, and extreme inflation, the loan program was extended in 2023 from two years to three years. This model will give an opportunity for more sustained stability as it is our number one priority to see the women in our program thrive!

As TGC's program continues to grow in Uganda, thanks to the generosity of our supporters, **the need for a new vehicle became apparent this past year.** Our team in Uganda spends a significant amount of time on the road as the loan distributions span across northern Uganda. At the end of 2023, TGC was able to fulfill this need and purchase a new van. The van will add to the team's ability to safely travel from village to village and execute our programs.



## Bouncing Back

**Jennifer is 39 years old from Purongo in the Nwoya district of Uganda.**

"I am a single mother of six children, a business woman selling silverfish and a farmer. I joined the TGC program because I used to admire

the women in the group with their program. At one point, I had a misunderstanding with my husband after he had taken away all my savings and married another woman with it. Life became a mess as I had to provide for my children yet was left with nothing. I want to thank God for TGC because it is from this loan program that I was counseled and I gained strength to stand tall. This year, I used the money to farm five acres of rice and two acres of simsim. I would want to say thank you the TGC team for loving me this much and making me the woman I am today."



# Empowering Dreams

## A Glimpse into TGC's Healthy Periods Initiative and the Transformative Impact on Girls' Education in Uganda

The HPI (Healthy Periods Initiative) program is a remarkable endeavor to assist girls with providing proper feminine products to be able to stay in school without their biological monthly disruption. The stigma and interference in learning can be erased with a simple solution to a very normal health cycle. These *Lucky Girl Pads* are given monthly to allow girls both dignity and proper hygiene. Education is imperative to the process and helps young women advance their dreams.

I was privileged to visit the *Lucky Girl* factory in Gulu, Uganda in 2023 and see how these products are produced in a most sterile fashion with dedicated staff. From simple wood pulp and woven fabric, these pads are distributed on a regular basis to girls in rural communities. **To date, more than 1.8 million pads have been supplied to girls in cooperation with Volunteer Action Network.**

These collaborations, made possible by our generous donors, allow us to expand our outreach so that young women are well on their way to envisioning a better tomorrow in their future.

—By Cathy Cole



Keeping young girls in school is one of the most effective ways to break the cycle of poverty in third world countries, where education is not prioritized, especially for girls. TGC has continued to support the Healthy Periods Initiative (HPI), by distributing **14,496 sanitary pads** in 2023 to school aged girls. By keeping girls in school, we aspire to see a world where young women are educated from a young age and given a bright and promising future.



# Volunteer Appreciation

## A Big Thanks to the Silent Stars Behind The Greater Contribution

The Greater Contribution couldn't do so many things without them. They work tirelessly behind the scenes doing a variety of jobs to keep the organization humming along and operating efficiently. So, here's a great big thank you to the following people who do those many jobs day after day.

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- Nancy Taylor Walker
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# Uganda Trip



**The Greater Contribution is an incredible organization that has beautiful and successful systems and partnerships in place in Northern Uganda that help lead these women who receive micro loans to succeed. From the loan selection process to the women's literacy program, to the receiving of and paying back of the loan program, to the Healthy Period Initiative (HPI), all these funded programs here at The Greater Contribution are doing just that, aiding in a greater contribution.**

It was an absolute honor to spend time in Gulu and Northern Uganda, learning more about The Greater Contributions programs at work and how they assist in empowering women and girls. These programs are incredibly impactful, as the women and girls express abundant gratitude, joy, pride, confidence, and newfound feelings of empowerment, all thanks to TGC's assistance.

The Greater Contribution is changing not only the individual woman's life but also your contributions to TGC, and therefore, these programs are changing women's lives and their families' lives and shaping generations, allowing these women and their families to thrive. Thank you to the whole team at The Greater Contribution and the team at Volunteer Action Network for all your dedication to assisting these women and girls, and thank you to all those who donate and contribute, as your donation has a profound impact on current and future generations, as well as the economic growth of Northern Uganda.

*Amanda Szuck*





## Reflections of a Ugandan Experience

You are not adequately prepared for the arrival to Uganda. The vibrancy and intensity of color, sound and the scent of exotic spices cannot be taken in so easily. Sunrises and sunsets are powerful and passionate, much like the women we met along the rutted roads into remote villages. The land itself is lush with crops of maize, rice and papyrus bending in the wind. The bustling marketplaces are full with produce and housewares. Winston Churchill called Uganda the “Pearl of Africa.” It is easy now to see this description as completely accurate.

Traveling halfway around the world to discover the comfort of being with others unlike yourself but with the mutual humanity of caring for families—different in culture but sharing the same goals and aspirations of any woman anywhere in the world.

The integration of The Greater Contribution US and Ugandan teams is seamless. In giving to the kindness of strangers, with hearts full of love and compassion—The Ugandan staff is sensitive, caring and diligent in their work to see that the women we serve are treated with dignity and respect. The Healthy Periods Initiative (HPI), in partnership with Volunteer Action Network, provides girls with affordable menstrual hygiene products. This in turn, empowers them to go to school all year round and gives them a better, secure and dignified future. Observing the faces of gratitude and the smiles of living a full life despite the barriers before them is truly astonishing. We attended a primary school to distribute packages of these products and the girls were delighted to receive them.

With literacy and business classes and the continuation of micro loans, along with the HPI program for young girls, TGC is making a meaningful and long term impact. Only by being in-country can one truly see the significance of improving another woman’s life.

*Cathy Cole*

## Supporter, Fred Simmons comments on his trip to The Greater Contribution’s program in Uganda in November 2023.

Upon my return to the United States following one week on the ground in Uganda, I sat down and asked myself what aspects of this trip and TGC most impressed me, and the answer was easy.

First and foremost, the “bang for the buck” that TGC creates, amongst so many women of all ages and over a large, remote geography, is remarkable. The efficiency of the program is truly incredible—no money is wasted. So many women and families are uplifted economically and spiritually on TGC’s modest budget.

Secondly, the spirit and positivity of the women served is truly uplifting. For a rural population, averaging less than \$1,000 per year in annual income, they are as filled with humanity, love, humor, and humility as any people I have met.

And, lastly, the integrity, dedication, intellect, and judgment of TGC’s senior management team is stunning. As they say, it all starts at the top, with Karon Wright, and 17+ years of selfless dedication to building and improving this organization while taking no salary. But also, in Uganda, Toffi Aloya and her team, along with Bukunya Muusa, the founder and Director of VacNet, TGC’s partner, are similarly outstanding and dedicated. It has been my privilege to support TGC financially and in other ways.

*Fred Simmons*





## Move 2 Empower Helps Waiting Women

Halfway through last year, The Greater Contribution found the waiting list of women wanting to join our program had grown to 500. We only had funding for about half of them, so we dedicated our summer fundraiser, Move 2 Empower, to fulfill that shortfall and make sure we could serve as many women as possible for the remainder of the year.

**In early July we got our fundraiser moving with a special online: Kukuwa Dance party which kicked off the campaign where we raised \$19,880.** That money was put to immediate use, adding 500 women to our program, ensuring those women will receive basic literacy, math, and business skills training, and starting them on our three-year loan program designed to empower these women, making them self-sufficient thereby lifting them out of the extreme poverty they've lived in their entire life.

## Moving for a Cause



Connecting continents with a common cause, last July we teamed up with **Kukuwa® African Dance Workout** to create a fun fundraising event. Enthusiasts from around the world joined in a special benefit live

stream dance workout with proceeds benefiting women in Uganda. Both revered organizations are founded and run by women committed to serving others beyond our borders.

*There was joy in every step.*



## Racing for a Cause: Empowering Women in Uganda Through The Greater Contribution

Long-time supporter Keith Gayhart shares with us how he embarked on a race not just across desert sands but towards a future where every woman has the opportunity to shape her destiny.

A few years ago, I learned that a dear friend of mine, Karon Wright, was leading a nonprofit organization supporting women in Uganda. As I learned more about The Greater Contribution, I was impressed with what it was doing for women living in extremely challenging circumstances with few opportunities for improving their lives. Clearly, this organization was not simply providing immediate assistance to women and their families; it was making a lasting difference that would reverberate across generations.

It's been a humbling lesson for me. I am a long-distance runner, and I have had the excellent fortune to compete in tough racing events worldwide... Greenland, Antarctica, Namibia, the Canary Islands, Siberia, the Canadian Sub Arctic, Mongolia and the Atacama Desert. People often express amazement over my athletic accomplishments, but it is obvious to me that what my friend Karon and TGC are doing is far more amazing... and done in a spirit of love and goodwill. It lifts my heart to know that as I carry my backpack across 155 miles of desert sand, I'll be contributing, in my small way, to helping hard-working women give their families a better future.

*Keith signed up to represent The Greater Contribution in this year's "Racing the Planet's 20-Year Ultramarathon". The race was postponed due to the continuing war in the Middle East.*



## Lisa Carey Celebrates a Milestone: A 10K Charity Run and Fundraising Success for The Greater Contribution

Last year as I aged up to Medicare, I decided to celebrate my 65th birthday by signing up for The Great Race, a local 10K in my neighborhood. I invited my family and friends to join me by donating to The Greater Contribution, and it turned into a memorable adventure I'll never forget. Hoofing along 6.2 miles with thousands of people on race day I was fueled by my supporters who shared my goal of empowering the women of Uganda. Together we raised enough money to provide 48 women in remote villages a path forward to becoming entrepreneurs. It was a total blast! When I crossed the finish line, I felt like the biggest benefactor of all.



## A Woman's Worth Returns

2023 saw a return of *A Woman's Worth*, a Greater Contribution annual event to highlight the tremendous strides made by the women of Uganda to lift themselves out of poverty.

Put on hold due to the pandemic, *A Woman's Worth* was held last year on June 11 at the home of Patti and Mario Contini in Thousand Oaks, California. A big thanks to the Contini's for graciously opening their home for this wonderful occasion.

The event featured displays, international food items, jewelry, music, and Ugandan dancers highlighting the music and culture of Uganda. A big thanks to all who volunteered for *AWW* last year, and we hope to see more of you in 2024 at *A Woman's Worth*.



## TGC in the News

When it comes to expanding awareness of The Greater Contribution, we have lots to talk about! Last year we had interviews with National Public Radio's KCLU-FM, KVTA-AM's "The Brighter Side of the 805," and the KVTA-AM Morning Show, in addition to an "Empowerment Through Providing Resources and Support" feature story with Valley News Group.



## Financial Overview

**In 2023 The Greater Contribution's micro loan program in Uganda was able to put the pandemic, the drought and rampant inflation mostly behind us and pivot towards expanding our program and helping even more of the poorest women in Uganda.**

Financially, The Greater Contribution had a banner fundraising year with generous donations from Fred Simmons and Dave and Jeanne Mathews which will allow TGC to establish an endowment fund, ensuring that the great work TGC is doing in Uganda will continue into the foreseeable future (this is so monumental it deserves further recognition—see pg. 13). And our annual Black Tie No-Show Dinner raised a record \$168,964.41. A big thanks to our senders and an even bigger thanks to those who responded.

Frequent surveying of our borrowers revealed that due to the hardships they've endured in the last few years, the pandemic, drought, inflation, etc., they asked to stay in the TGC micro loan program for one additional year to more fully secure their ability to achieve independence. The board of directors agreed. We feel that by giving our borrowers the option of staying in our program for another year we are increasing their chances to become more fully self-sufficient. The fact that they repay their loans, on time and in full, 98% of the time made it an easy decision.

There was a large expense of \$29,750 in 2023 to purchase a vehicle for use on rural Uganda's bumpy dirt and rock roads. Our staff and volunteers spend the majority of their time traveling to and meeting with our borrowers in their villages, taking loan disbursements and bringing back payments. A reliable vehicle in these harsh conditions is a must.

2024 promises to be even bigger and better for The Greater Contribution with plans to add another 800 women in our program which means even more women will be helped on their path to financial security, their families will be fed, clothed and schooled, and the extreme poverty that has dominated the lives of these resilient women will be a thing of the past.

## 2023 Facts and Stats

**4,015**  
**Micro Loans Issued**  
**(30,091 since our founding in 2006)**

**225**  
**New Members In The Program**

**14,496**  
**Sanitary Napkins Distributed**

In 2023, we delivered 14,496 sanitary pads to 3,096 young women throughout our serving area through our Healthy Periods Initiative program. Beginning in 2022 our Healthy Periods Initiative started providing boys with menstrual education training. In 2023, 1,819 boys were taught about the monthly challenge facing their sisters.

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### 2023 Black Tie No-Show Dinner HUGE Success!

The Black Tie No-Show Dinner concept began as so many good ideas do, over a kitchen table. While discussing the idea of doing a gala event to raise money, with fancy gowns, tuxes and auctions, Karon quipped sarcastically, "I would pay to NOT go to one of those!"

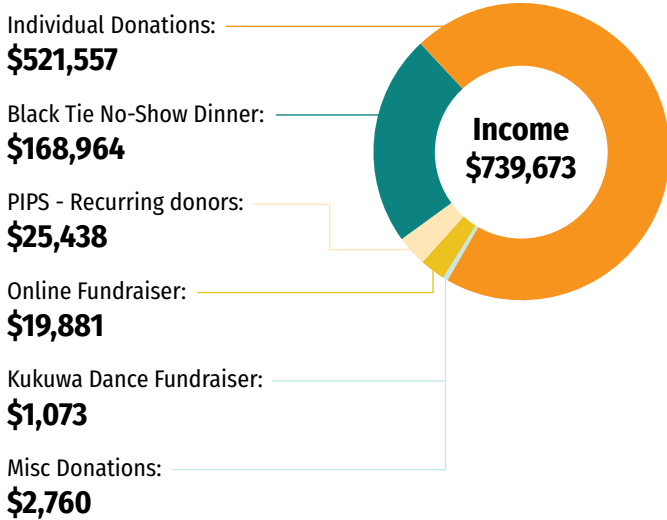
The non-gala event and our biggest fundraising event by far, The Black Tie No-Show Dinner was born.

People respond to The Black Tie No-Show Dinner because they see the value of helping the poorest women in the world lift themselves out of poverty with the helping hand of micro loans and literacy and business skills training, rather than spending lavishly on one night of fleeting fun.

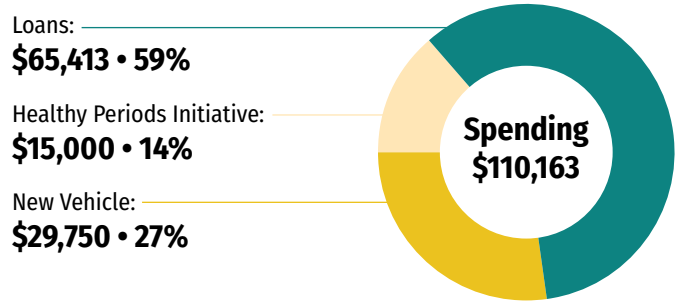
**2023 was our best BTNSD ever! Raising \$168,964.41!** Our donors are recognized on the back pages of our annual report. It's because of them that we can do the work we do, empowering the women of Uganda and helping to eradicate extreme poverty.

# 2023 Financial Information

## Sources of Support



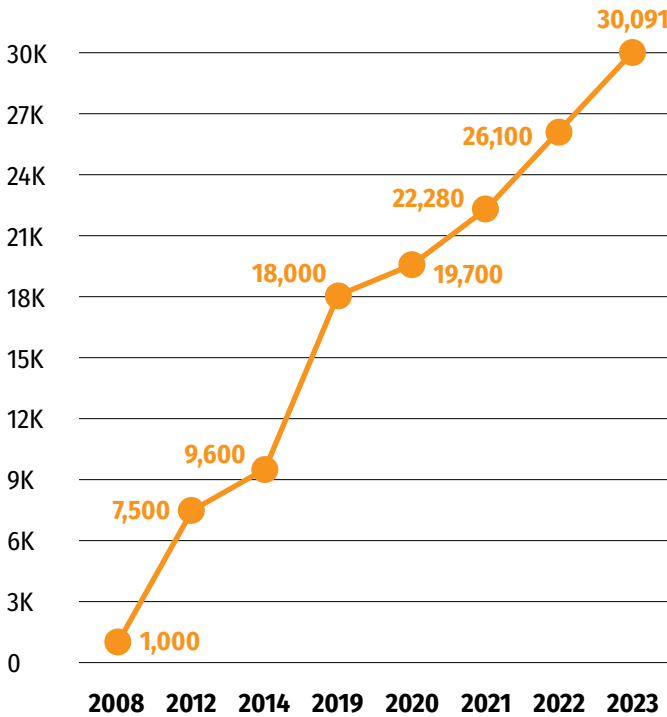
## 2023 Spending by Program in Uganda



### SPECIAL INVESTMENT

Establish Endowment Fund:  
**\$535,646**

## Total Micro Loans Issued



## Guidestar/Candid

Once again, The Greater Contribution earned the Candid Gold Seal of Transparency from GuideStar, the world's largest database of nonprofit organizations, in 2023. The Gold Seal is a leading symbol of transparency and accountability. Less than five percent of nonprofits registered with GuideStar are recognized with its Gold Seal.



The Gold Seal affirms our efforts to publish qualitative information about our goals, strategies, and vision and provides current and potential donors with accurate and in-depth knowledge on how we responsibly advance our mission and vision with all donations we receive.

**The Greater Contribution is a 501(c)(3)  
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Donations are tax-deductible. EIN #26-0597892.

## Dedication to Purpose

The Greater Contribution has always had a reputation as a frugal organization. This principle originated with our President, Karon Wright. Remarkably, she has never taken a salary in the 17 years of our history, an example of her complete dedication to helping the women and children of Uganda and to keeping our costs as low as possible.

# The Greater Contribution has historical news to share.

Acting on a desire to ensure the continuity of our work in Uganda and the long-term stability of this organization, the Board of Directors of The Greater Contribution and its President, Karon Wright, fulfilled a goal of establishing an Endowment Fund providing financial security for The Greater Contribution long into the future. This was made possible thanks to the exemplary generosity of David and Jeanne Mathews and Fred Simmons.

David and Jeanne were the first donors to donate their generous gift of \$35,000 to our Fund. Fred Simmons gifted The Greater Contribution approximately \$500,000 in stock at the end of 2023. Fred visited Uganda with Karon last year and saw firsthand the impact of our micro loan program. Simply put, an endowment is a Fund where only the interest on the principal can be used with the board of directors' approval.

Endowments are typically funded through direct donations, trusts, and bequests of securities, stock, or cash. If you'd like to help ensure the stability and longevity of The Greater Contribution, you can designate one of your donations to this Endowment Fund. Thank you, Jeanne, David, and Fred... and to all those who have contributed to The Greater Contribution these almost past two decades. What has been accomplished in Uganda could not have been done without you. More to come on The Greater Contribution Endowment Fund in the months ahead.



## Loan Repayments Get Continually Recirculated

The women in Uganda are serious about their commitment to repay their loans on time. Peer counselors and peer groups provide support to all the women in our program and help ensure loans are repaid. This works so well **The Greater Contribution boasts a 98% loan repayment rate.** That's fantastic!

What's even better is the money from those repaid loans stays in Uganda and gets used again and again through additional loans as well as supporting the infrastructure and staff we need to ensure our program is run to the highest standards.

When you judge a charity on its effectiveness in conducting its program, a person normally looks at how much is spent on overhead and how much actually goes to helping people. Our unique micro loan program and the recirculation of loan payments often get overlooked when judging the effectiveness of our work in Uganda because IRS rules prohibit counting those repayments as program investments. In reality, one dollar of a donation keeps getting invested over and over, helping the women of Uganda escape the clutches of poverty.

## EMPOWERMENT IN ACTION:

### Transform Lives as a Monthly Donor

PIPs, or Partners in Prosperity, are the heart and soul of The Greater Contribution. Becoming a monthly donor with The Greater Contribution means becoming a catalyst for change in the lives of women in rural Uganda. Monthly donors are incredibly powerful for several reasons:

- **Sustainable Impact:** Monthly donations provide a stable and consistent source of funding. This ongoing support allows The Greater Contribution to plan ahead, ensuring sustainable and ongoing assistance.
- **Empowerment Through Microloans:** Your contributions directly translate into micro loans for women entrepreneurs in rural Uganda. These loans empower these women to start or expand their businesses, lifting themselves and their families out of poverty.
- **Community Transformation:** By supporting these women, you're not just impacting individuals; you're contributing to the economic growth of entire communities. As these businesses thrive, they create job opportunities, improve local economies, and foster a cycle of empowerment.
- **Personal Fulfillment:** Being a monthly donor means being part of a movement creating tangible and meaningful change. It's a way to connect personally with the cause and witness the real, transformative effects of your generosity.
- **Effortless Giving:** Setting up monthly donations is convenient and flexible. It allows you to contribute what works within your budget, with the assurance that your support is consistent and making a difference month after month.

By becoming a monthly donor, you're not just offering financial support; you're providing hope, opportunity, and the chance for a brighter future for these women and their communities. Your commitment is a powerful force in creating sustainable change and breaking the cycle of poverty.

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### Legacy Society

The Greater Contribution's Legacy Society is a vital group of donors who have included The Greater Contribution in their estate plans, and will leave a legacy through the power of micro-loans.

Joining the Legacy Society allows a lasting legacy of your personal values while ensuring that future generations of women will be empowered to change their lives through literacy and business education, micro loans, and peer mentoring. Transform lives and help women lift themselves out of poverty.

To learn more about your giving options, contact Chelsea Slavich, Director of Donor Relations at [chelsea.slavich@greatercontribution.org](mailto:chelsea.slavich@greatercontribution.org).

“ Finding a non-profit that makes a difference to the lives of the people who benefit in their own lives—especially women and their families, is exactly the type of organization that both my wife and I want to be part of. Keep up the GREAT work that you do at The Greater Contribution.”

Sandy and Ed Garnett



“ I met Karon Wright over 10 years ago and was immediately impressed with her passion and empathy for the women of Uganda, and her desire to help them work their way out of poverty. I slowly became involved with the organization... making small donations and attending events. As I learned more about the amazing work The Greater Contribution does for these women, I decided I wanted to do more. That's when I became a Partner In Prosperity (PIP). Now that I'm a PIP, I find it so easy and satisfying to help these women on an on-going basis throughout the year.”





Art Barmash



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