



GROW WITH THE FLOW

2018 Annual Report



The MoonCatcher Project
Removing Barriers for Girls



A Note from Ellie

The MoonCatcher Project is growing! Thanks to all of you, we made an even bigger impact this year. With your support, we provided MoonCatcher kits to nearly 7,000 girls in the past 12 months!

We certainly do live in troubling times. It is so easy to feel overwhelmed or filled with despair. But our project offers a simple, yet profound solution to the barriers faced by girls around the world.

Please join us as we seek to change the world one girl at a time!

With heartfelt gratitude,

Ellie



Thank You for making so much possible! We now have...

14 International Partners • **9** Community Partners • **34** MoonBee Hosts • **16** Supporting Organizations

WOW! We were busy in 2018!

In Africa

Our **5** cooperatives in Uganda produced over **5,000** MoonCatcher kits for girls in **46** schools—complete with soap made by the Wakiso Women's Soap-Making Cooperative. **ALL** of the girls received our reproductive health curriculum.

We launched one cooperative in Kenya! They produced **850** kits and delivered them to girls in **11** schools along with our curriculum.

We also started a cooperative in Malawi and they made **600** kits, delivering them to girls in **4** schools along with our curriculum.



In the U.S.

We held **28** MoonBees with **OVER 800** volunteers!

We produced **1,500** MoonCatcher kits.

Faith groups, Rotary members and individuals brought kits and our curriculum **EVERYWHERE**:

Haiti, Democratic Republic of Congo, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Ghana, Malawi, Kenya, Uganda, Pakistan and India.



In India

This fall, The MoonCatcher Project worked collaboratively with a Delhi-based foundation to establish a new sewing cooperative in India. Our delegation brought **300** kits to distribute to our first schools along with our curriculum and educational visuals—all translated into Hindi.



We change the lives of girls through menstrual management

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THE MOONCATCHER PROJECT IS GROWING WITH THE FLOW! SINCE 2010, WE HAVE SENT KITS TO:
AFRICA: Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Malawi, Madagascar, Rwanda, Tanzania, South Africa, Uganda, Zanzibar, **CARRIBEAN:** Haiti, **CENTRAL AMERICA:** Honduras, **ASIA/SOUTH PACIFIC:** Bali, Pakistan, India

PLUS! We have sewing cooperatives so women can make MoonCatcher kits right in their communities: one in Kenya and Malawi; five in Uganda; and a brand new one in India.

FY 2017 Operating Revenue

Individual Donations	58,889
Fundraising Events	3,536
Sale of Merchandise	2,320
Other	49
TOTAL	\$64,794

FY 2017 Operating Expenses

Professional Fees	250
Printing & Postage	306
MoonBee Supplies, Africa Projects & Delegation Visits	53,870
Fund Balance	10,368
TOTAL	\$64,794

Many Thanks to Our Funders & Major Donors

Albany District Chapter of
the Links

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Soroptimist International

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Women's Global Giving Circle

Changing the world one girl at a time ...

Meet Desire

"My family doesn't have the money for pads—I used to use toilet paper or rags. Sometimes when I had my period, I would not even go to school—I said, 'What if it leaks again?' I would just stay home for three days. Now that I have the MoonCatcher pads, I don't have to miss school; I don't have to be left out. I need to be in school because my vision is to become a doctor. I want to help people the way the MoonCatcher Project has helped me."



Our Mission

To optimize girls' lives worldwide by removing barriers related to menstruation.



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