



# LifeNets

MEETING HUMANITARIAN NEEDS • DEVELOPING SELF-SUFFICIENCY • PASSING ON THE BENEFIT



*"Transforming One Life at a Time"*



**ANNUAL 2006 REPORT**

# LifeNets: 2006 at a Glance...

**Our mission is to help people in need, promote self-sufficiency and, where possible, enable the recipients to pass their benefit on to others.**

Highlighted below are some of the projects that have met real needs and transformed the lives of people and communities in 2006. Thank you for helping us make this difference!

## Developing Nations Scholarship Fund



We consider this our most-effective program in terms of lasting, positive outcomes in a person's life. The benefit of an education continues for the rest of the recipients' lives.

Our policy is to educate students in their own country, which makes the cost of education a fraction of what it would cost to send them out of their country. They receive diplomas and prepare for professions that are needed in their country, and then they go on to become pillars in their communities and churches. We supported more than 65 students who studied in universities or finished high school.



Many have gone on to become architects, engineers and accountants or to enter other professions. We provided scholarship aid to students in Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Peru,

Chile, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Zambia, South Africa and Moldova.

## The Wheelchair Project

In 2006 we delivered almost 100 manual, power and pediatric wheelchairs free of charge to those who could not have otherwise afforded them. We thank our donors who have provided us with wheelchairs through our Web site at [www.lifenets.org/wheelchair](http://www.lifenets.org/wheelchair) where donors and recipients are matched. This is primarily a domestic U.S. program. This program is managed by Alexandra Kubik. We were mentioned in the "Life" section of *USA Today* in an article called "Charity Meets Ingenuity."



## Water and Wells

With the help of United Church of God congregations in Australia and the Rotary Foundation, we were able to dig and drill high-quality wells in Malawi and Zambia.

The wells provide water for the adjacent community. Our newest well in Blantyre, Malawi, provides water for 1,500 people. Women who may have had to carry five-gallon buckets of water on their heads for miles benefit greatly from a local well.



Left: Borehole provided by Indiana Rotary District 6560. It is in use all day long, providing water to an entire community.

Right: Australian supporters provide financing for one of three Zambian wells in the remote Mumbwa region. The well provides water for people and cattle.



## Street Children of Vinogradov, Ukraine

Seeing children on the streets and living in abusive conditions caused our LifeNets friends to open their hearts to provide a program for feeding and caring for these children. Pastor Vasyl Polichko and his wife, Irina, who have no children of their own, have devoted their lives to constantly caring for 35 to 40 children who come from dysfunctional homes or are orphans.

This program began after we visited Vinogradov in 2001 and saw the pastor and his wife struggling to help children running in the dark with no stable home. We now see secure and happy children who have become whole. They have a future worth living for and not the despair that they were trapped in. The children are given three meals a day in the summer months and two meals a day during the school year. However, the most important part of their wholeness comes from attention, education, love and learning about God.



## Revival Centre for Rehabilitation of Disabled Children in Chernihev, Ukraine

Located 40 miles from the epicenter of the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster, LifeNets work here began in 1996 by helping three doctors start a modest rehabilitation center for 30 children. Most cases dealt with cerebral palsy, epilepsy and the effects of the radiation from the nearby nuclear contamination. Now the Revival Centre of Medical/Social Rehabilitation for Disabled Children is reaching capacity, with 220 children in treatment at any one time.



On the left is a new bus that LifeNets donated to the Revival Centre on their 10th anniversary of operation.

## Other Projects

We couldn't cover all our projects in this report. You can see much more about what we do on our Web site through these programs:

- Eyeglasses to refugee camps in Thailand.
- Medicine to three clinics in Malawi and to Zambia.
- LifeNets Orphan Care Centre in Balaka, Malawi.
- Farm program in Zambia through our Revolving Farm Credit Program, water wells and cattle.
- Livelihood development projects in Malawi
- Teen alcohol abuse program in Estonia.

## Special Events Fund-raisers for LifeNets Projects

For five years the Ambassador Bible Center has held a charity evening in Cincinnati, Ohio, to support the Developing Nations Scholarship Fund. In 2006 it raised a record \$5,325. In the Bay Area of California an auction raised over \$3,000 for the scholarship fund. Other events include the Mandan, North Dakota, Triathlon. Also, fund-raisers by a young adults group and churches in Miami that held a special white elephant fund-raiser and bake sale contributed about \$4,450 toward our Chizeni Clinic in Balaka, Malawi.



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## Statement of Activities for 2006

	Year Ended December 31, 2006		
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total all Funds
<b>Revenue, Gains and Other Support</b>			
Contributions	\$ 190,910	\$ 80,638	\$ 271,548
Noncash contributions	172,233	128,926	301,159
	363,143	209,564	572,707
Net assets released from restrictions	203,611	(203,611)	-
<b>Total Revenue, Gains and Other Support</b>	<b>566,754</b>	<b>5,953</b>	<b>572,707</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Scholarship and education	39,500	-	39,500
Philanthropy (Note 1)	449,116	-	449,116
	488,616	-	488,616
Management and general	67,242	-	67,242
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>555,858</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>555,858</b>
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	10,896	5,953	16,849
<b>Net Assets, Beginning</b>	57,372	31,016	88,388
<b>Net Assets, Ending</b>	<b>\$ 68,268</b>	<b>\$ 36,969</b>	<b>\$ 105,237</b>

Note 1 Philanthropy consists of livelihood development, medical clinic funding, medicine, wheelchair distribution and orphan and street children programs. These activities take place in over 20 countries including Malawi, Zambia, Ukraine, South Africa, Latin America and the United States.

Note 2 The financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2006, were reviewed by K.B. Parrish & Co., LLP. The statements were found to be fairly stated in all material respects and in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. A copy of those statements along with the notes are available upon request.



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