

GIVE THE GIFT OF MOBILITY, DIGNITY, AND OPPORTUNITY

MAKER OF THE PET CART SINCE 1994.

CHILDREN IN KENYA RIDE CARTS TO SCHOOL

THE BACKS OF MOMS WILL GET A LITTLE RELIEF FROM YOUR CART ALSO



Small carts get overhaul in 2017. The seat was widened and the toe board was redesigned

Many of the disabled children around the world are unable to attend school.

One of the reasons is that parents can't afford to take off work to carry the child to school. But if the child is left at home, an older child or a parent must stay home to supervise. This creates a huge burden and keeps many disabled families in poverty. A Mobility Cart allows a child to get to school and the parents to go to work.

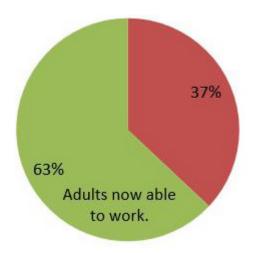
Partners for Care, our Kenyan partner, has done follow up interviews with

125 people who have received carts this year. Of the children interviewed, only 42% attend school; but 33% of them use their cart to take them to school. This survey was completed only a month after the cart distribution.

We expect more children to be going to school with their new carts.

Meet Kennedy, the first leg-disabled Kenyan in Migori, Kenya to attend high school at www.giftofmobility.org.





THE DISABLED FIND WORK WITH CARTS

A survey conducted in Kenya found that after only one month of receiving their carts 63% of adults said that they were now able to work providing more income for their families. Meet Dave and Norah (see newsletter) as they make a living for their families using a Mobility Cart at www.giftofmobility.org (new video linked on home page).

NORAH CAN NOW TAKE HER ROPES TO MARKET

OTHERS ALSO GAIN INDEPENDENCE WITH YOUR HELP





Norah struggled for many years because of a disability and how much it limited her movement. A few years back, she was given a Mobility Cart and her life changed drastically. She was able to start work again - she skillfully makes ropes from a plant that her husband of 50 years collects nearby. She sells the rope at the local market. And she gets there twice a week on her cart! Meet her in a short video at www.giftofmobility.org!

She is pictured with Albert Matara of Kenya Relief. He identified 154 cart recipients for our distribution day in April.

REPORT BY TERRY FURSTENAU, BOARD PRESIDENT, FROM KENYA TRIP MAY 2017

"I HAD NO IDEA THAT THE RECIPIENTS WERE GOING TO BE THIS EXCITED!"



Dear Pastor Rick,

We are very glad to share with you that we started distributing the PET today. I had no idea that the recipients were going to be this excited. **Words are inadequate to express their appreciation.** I am personally overwhelmed by the deep gratitude expressed by the recipients.

Blessings,

REV. DR. JAMES Z. LABALA

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OTHER CART RECIPIENTS YOU'VE MADE SMILE

A Few Past Gifts of Mobility
Thanks to Your Contributions









DO NOT NEGLECT TO SHOW HOSPITALITY TO STRANGERS, FOR BY DOING THAT SOME HAVE ENTERTAINED ANGELS WITHOUT KNOWING IT.

- Anonymous, Holy Bible: King James Version

THERE IS NO EXERCISE BETTER FOR THE HEART THAN REACHING DOWN AND LIFTING PEOPLE UP.

- JOHN HOLMES





MEDICAL TEAM IN HAITI DISTRIBUTES CARTS

Pictures from Consuelo Alzamora Muñoz, O.T., Clinic & Outreach Manager MTI/AP Medical Teams International - www.medicalteams.org

GIVING FROM YOUR IRA

THE REQUIRED MINIMUM DONATION (RMD)

Retirees can give up to \$100,000 to charity tax-free from an IRA and have it count as their required minimum distribution for the year.

As you know, if you are over age 70½, the government requires you to take out a minimum distribution before the end of the year. If you want to give some of that money to a charity, like **Mobility Worldwide MO - Columbia**, you can now make a tax-free transfer from your IRA and keep the distribution out of your taxable income. That could ensure that most or all of your Social Security benefits remain tax free and also help you avoid the Medicare high-income surcharge. Here are some common questions and answers.

Can I give my RMD to charity now, or do I have to wait until December like I have in the past?

You can give your RMD to charity anytime during the year. In the past, Congress generally waited until December to approve the law each year, leaving IRA holders scrambling to transfer the money to charity before the December 31 RMD deadline. But Congress passed a law last December that permanently extends the Qualified Charitable Distribution provision, so you can now transfer the money to charity anytime during the year.

Can I withdraw the money from my IRA and then write a check to charity, or do I need to transfer the money directly?

The tax-free transfer won't count if you withdraw the money from the IRA first and then make a contribution to the charity. You need to transfer the money directly from the IRA to the charity for it to count as the tax-free transfer. Ask your IRA administrator or call the MW office about making a direct transfer. If you have check-writing privileges for your IRA, you can write a check directly to **Mobility Worldwide MO – Columbia.**

Note: Be sure to contact your tax advisor for your specific situation.



New Videos Are Coming

Columbia shop is preparing a new promotional DVD product that will soon be available. Stories of recent Kenyan distributions (on website home page now), a documentary about the Life of Mel West "Do All the Good You Can", VBS stories, some short promos are collected in one DVD. Order one to share with friends, churches, service clubs and family members at info@giftofmobility.org. Or pick one up at the shop.

GIFTS GIVEN LAST QUART

We appreciate all the donors and families who have chosen to Mobility





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Worldwide to honor or remember someone. These gifts will be put to good use building and shipping mobility to others in need.

GIFTS GIVEN IN HONOR:

- · Marge Hicks wedding gift by Roger Hofmeister
- · Roger Hofmeister by Marge Hicks
- Marge & Roger Hofmeister Marriage by Richard Goodwin
- Connie Hunt by Weldon & Edra Beach
- · Lisa Korrect, Cam Korrect, Dr. Anglea Webb & Catherine Korrect birthdays by Jeanette Korrect
- Earl Miner (cart designer) by his six sisters
- The Wests by Martin West



GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY:

- · Donald Buck & Jane Secoy by Marylin Sudbrock
- · Gilbert C. Felling by Mark Felling
- · Margaret Lacker by Thomas Lacker
- · Leona Miner by Suzanne Miner/Miner Family, Lael Streight-Hyde,
- Mack Scanlan & Hollis Winigear by Ray & Linda McKenzie



CALL TO ALL BOONE COUNTY RESIDENTS:

For the fourth year, we will be a part of the county wide giving program thru www.comogives.com. The Community Foundation is leading this giving challenge to support non-profits in our area with online gifts. Thru the first three years we received \$15,813 with new friends giving each year. We look forward to our continued work with CoMoGives.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS YOU CAN GIVE!

Check out the list when you click the tab Get Involved at www.giftofmobility.org

Please remember our mobility mission on Giving Tuesday - November 28th

MOBILITY CART DONATION SLIP

Yes! I want to give the GIFT OF MOBILITY to a person whose legs do not function.

My check is enclosed for:

____ for ____ carts at \$300.00 each.

_____ for _____ carts sent to Kenya at \$55 each.

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip: Email: ____

Organization, if any:

Make check payable to Mobility Worldwide MO-Columbia and mail to: 1908 Heriford Road, Columbia, MO 65202

Tel: 573-886-7877



VOLUNTEER WELDERS NEEDED

Experienced welders needed to assemble parts provided. You need MIG experience, your own welder and shop (MW can provide wire and gas). All metal parts provided. MW will transport parts from your shop to powder coat shop. One or two hours a week would help a lot. Contact Gary at 573-886-7877 for sample pieces.

CONTACT US









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Our mission: Mobility Worldwide MO – Columbia's mission is to provide appropriate mobility for all of God's children in need. We seek to provide mobility first for those in greatest need and with the least resources in poor or underdeveloped countries.

HOSPITAL GIVES AWAY YOUR CART

YOU HAVE CHANGED THIS YOUNG WOMAN'S LIFE; OTHERS ARE WAITING



"This young woman has leg paralysis and was given the Mobility Cart through Mulanje District Hospital, one of our partner hospitals in Malawi."

NEAL S. WALKER

Assistant Director: Medical and Program Initiatives Brother's Brother Foundation

