

GIVE THE GIFT OF MOBILITY, DIGNITY, AND OPPORTUNITY

MAKER OF THE MOBILITY CART SINCE 1994.

CHILDREN IN GHANA NEED YOUR HELP

"AT THE OTC, WE TREAT MAINLY CHILDREN WITH BIRTH DEFORMITIES."

"Hello gentlemen,

We've received the following feedback from our partner in Ghana, Women's Health to Wealth, and one of their sub-recipient partner facilities - Orthopaedic Training Centre at Nsawam. The Orthopaedic Training Centre at Nsawam has received many of the pedal carts over the years and is very thankful for Mobility Worldwide's support and donations, which are in high need by the patients the Centre serves.

Recently, they learned of a young boy near Tamale who needed a wheelchair to go to school. He appears to have an untreated clubfeet problem and the Centre has arranged for a surgeon to see him, as he may need a bilateral amputation. If so, after that surgery, the Centre will admit him and fit him with prostheses. In the meantime, the pedal cart is allowing him to move around, continue daily activities to the best of his abilities, and go to school.

Your carts truly make such an amazing difference to those who struggle to be mobile, and we are so grateful to you and your teams for helping to make donations such as these possible. Thank you!



OTC website picture.

Emanuela Chiaranda, Associate Director, Corporate Relations, Americares.org"





Our founder's book of stories is still available for \$20 with all proceeds going to build & ship more carts. Or mail your check for \$25 with postage and note 'Mel's book' in the memo line.

Your new shop building is located at:

4825 E Meyer Industrial Dr Columbia, MO 65201-8296

TOURING, SAWING, PRODUCING, & PACKING

CHECK OUT MORE ROOMS AT THE NEW SHOP.

In this newsletter, we wanted to include some more pictures of our new building. Packing happens in the Assembly room on Tuesdays and sometimes a second day a week. We are back to producing over 30 a week most weeks, although all of our volunteers have not come back during the pandemic. Some assembly teams are producing extra on their shift. We are in need of general shop volunteers who could jump in for an hour or two a week to do a specific task to keep production flowing. If you can lend a hand, contact Gary at the shop 573-886-7877. We have all kinds of jobs.



Packing happens in the Assembly room on Tuesdays.



Wood shop.

Four year volunteer, Lisa Dresner, assembles the seat pieces (bottom and back). A seat is made of several layers and materials: treated lumber, vinyl, glue, staples, dense foam (\$2-\$3 per piece), and carpet padding used for anti-thrust on the front edge of the seat. Anti-thrust prevents the person from sliding out as he or she sits on the cart for hours a day. (Back in 2013, a Medical Advisory team helped with the redesign.)



Main entrance and office hallway.

Come for a visit and see these pictures and more in person. We are decorating with pictures and stories of recipients and our distribution partners from around the US and world. (Kenya Relief and Partners for Care are both pictured here.) Gary and others are ready to give you a tour M - F 8am to 3 pm, except holidays. Please call ahead for a group.



Padded seat assembly.

Six year volunteer, Dave Pittman, cuts wood pieces for the Mobility

Carts. Every volunteer is trained for a particular task. They come in each week and do their part. Sometimes they work ahead if they'll miss a week. We also have volunteers who can jump in where needed and keep sub-assemblies and production flowing. It's a team effort.

We're glad to have YOU as a part of the team as well. With your gifts, we are able to keep building and shipping carts around the world. These are your recent shipments since the move:

August	35	Hospital Sisters Mission
September	180	Americares for Zambia & 20 mini-marts
October	175	Partners for Care, Kenya & 50 mini-marts
October	21	Aztec Ministry – Grace-Aire Medical Foundation, Mexico
October	41	Orphan Grain Train, worldwide



Mini-mart: cooler, deck platform, & containers for sale items.

PS: Check out the separate report Americares shared from Ghana.

GIFTS GIVEN LAST OUARTER

We appreciate all the donors and families who have chosen Mobility Worldwide to honor or remember someone. Your gifts will be put to good use building and shipping mobility to others in need.

GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY:

- Marilyn Anderson by Norman Anderson
- Bill and Dorothy Appelgate by Nancy Uran
- Ashley Danielle Bogle by Dennis Bogle
- Earl Cecil by Don & Sally Schilling
- Rev. Richard L. Combs by Julie Combs
- William R. Crippen by Elaine Crippen
- Cleta Fildes by Jim & Joanne Taylor
- Jerry Foote, M.D. by Charles Larry & Paula Chapman
- Howard Fox by Shirley Ryan
- Charles Fulhage by Jane Fulhage
- Carol Green by James & Lois Powell
- Whitney Hicks by John & Joane O'Connor
- Rev. Rex Hodge by Mary Hodge
- Virginia Jones by Mark & Leigh Kottwitz
- Sid Leeper by Mary Jean Leeper

Gene and Rena Moore by Wilson T. & Debbie Jones

- William Murphy by Share & Care Group
- Paul Richard Ohrt by Cheryl Greiman
- Parents by Jo Ann Kimbrough
- Martha Philippi by Kathy Perks
- William D. Powell, Jr. by Barbara Spencer
- Jim Royer by Susan Rooney Elledge
- Bob Scherer by James & Kay Scherer
- Rusty Spieler by Richard & Carla Depperman, John & Myrna White

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- Krista White by Steve, Dovie & Rose Weston
 - 952 GUIDESTAR BUILT IN 2020

GIFTS GIVEN IN HONOR:

- Rob & Colin Barber by Lois & Clifford Elliott
- Dale Brigham and Jo Turner's 19th wedding anniversary by Linda Turner
- Garl Carlson's retirement by Dell & Janet Epperson
- Harold Enslen by Mexico UMC SS Class
- Don and Cheri Erdel by Berry & Jo Azdell
- Dr. Roger Hofmeister by Kenneth Bloem
- Roger and Marge's wedding anniversary by Richard Goodwin
- Bruce Intveld by Robert & Sandra Wilcox
- George Marshall by Jim Allen & Diana Kay Pauley
- Bruce & Linda Miles by Jennifer & Mark Dressler

- Jeff Moran by Courtney Moran, David & Mary Tucker
- Jeff Moran & Harold Bossaller by Sharon Schattgen
- John Moran and Brenda Ross by Jeff & Barbara Moran .
- Les Pinckard by Minna Appleby
- Jim Sandfry by Joyce Anderson .
- Kay Wallace by Elizabeth Ann Morgan
- Mel & Barbara West by Mary Frantz, David Leuthold
- Mel and Barbara West's 75th anniversary by Susan Ann West
- Jim and Judy Wall by Mel & Barbara West
- The West Family by Martin West

Match highlight:



You Gave and \$20,000 More Is On The Way!

Within several weeks, you helped us meet the \$20,000 match offer. The donor family has requested the match to be transferred into our account. By the time you read this, we'll be able to start producing the 67 match carts because of your great support. THANK YOU to our sponsor family and all of YOU!







Our distribution partner, Rainbow Network, sent this report from Nicaragua.

"Julio Antonio Hurtado is 57 years old and lives in the municipality of Mateare. On January 18, 2002, Julio suffered a motorcycle accident, which left him with severe spinal injuries. He is unable to walk.

We wanted to give Julio as much independence as possible by giving him a Mobility Cart! He is now able to get around on his own.

Julio told Rainbow Network staff in Nicaragua that he sends his greatest thanks and blessings to the supporters that make these miracles possible!"



Julio has spinal injuries and is unable to walk.

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ALEXANDER HAMILTON, ONE OF AMERICA'S FOUNDING FATHERS	\$ for carts sent to Kenya at \$55 each for extra shipping expense.
October 31, 2020 YTD Cart Production = 952	Name:
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Non-Profit Managing During a Pandemic

To All our Supporters: Mobility Worldwide MO-Columbia is alive and slowly ramping back up to 35 carts per week. With your continued support, we are able to continue to build. **International shipping is slowly loosening up, so we can move products out to many countries once again**. We cannot build at the regular weekly rate we want but headed in the right direction.



Most volunteers are seniors and in the high-risk categories. Columbia required masks and social distancing early on and makes us feel a little safer. However, several regular volunteers still are not comfortable assembling and working. We do set up different times for many to work so they can be alone and that works. Trying to make 35 a week is a challenge right now.

<u>Our 2020 Craft Beer and Carts fundraiser brought in over \$19,000</u> by selling cart sponsorships and two raffles. Thank you to the members of the local Rotaract Club for organizing the event. The Top Decorated carts were sponsored by the Crossing Boomers Class, Crossing Care Ministry, and Newman Center Girls Night Out. (Raffle tickets were sold through our website representing votes. You can check out all the pictures under the Get Involved tab drop-down menu of our website.) The Tucker Virnig family sells homemade Soaps and has committed to us to donate a tithe of their November Profits (see volunteer highlight). That came from a presentation to the Branson MO Rotary. Partners for Care had a successful auction online and has committed to ship 4 containers of carts in 2021 (translates to 800 carts going to Kenya). Connie and Kenyan staff are evaluating 100 resin body carts for us as well as distributing new carts.

Each day we check our temperature at the door and wear a face mask. Working with a mask was challenging at first but knowing you are most likely not spreading it is comforting to our volunteers.

Again this year, Mobility Worldwide MO-Columbia is



participating in CoMoGives during December (Boone county drive). It will begin with Giving Tuesday on December 1. Your continued support is always appreciated.

- GARY MOREAU, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

"Set a good example. Do what is right, even if others don't."

MEL WEST, PAGE 48 OF OUR FOUNDER'S BOOK, WHICH IS STILL AVAILABLE



Crossing Boomers Class



Crossing Care Ministry



Newman Center Girls Night Out



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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.

BUSINESS IS TURNING PROFITS INTO CARTS

OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WAS INVITED TO PRESENT OUR STORY TO A ROTARY CLUB IN THE BRANSON, MO AREA. THIS IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT RESULTED.



Shiloh Hills Soaps Facebook post: <u>This November</u> we will donate ten percent of our profits to help leg handicapped people all over the world get up off the ground so they can stay clean and have a way to be mobile. Special thanks to our partners Mobility Worldwide MO - Columbia for letting us be a small part of what they do, and the Branson-Hollister Rotary for the introduction.

Thank you - Tucker and Lauren Virnig



Giving Tuesday – December 1st