



# GIVE THE GIFT OF MOBILITY, DIGNITY, AND OPPORTUNITY

MAKER OF THE MOBILITY CART SINCE 1994.

## NAIPERIAE WAS NOT 'FORGOTTEN'

THIS ISSUE IS ALL ABOUT CHILDREN: IN NEED, THOSE HELPED AND WHO RAISE FUNDS.



"I am Naiperiae, the seventh born and seven years old. I was born disabled. I had been crawling or being carried by my mother throughout my life and had never been able to attend school.

I was given a Mobility Cart which I use to attend school, and it changed my life! We had a grand ceremony with all my family, village elders and villagers present! Thank you!" Naiperiae

"We are amongst the forgotten because of the distance from Nairobi County, but today, one of us has been remembered." Elder Ole Ntima **"God has used PFC to make my child mobile and happy. May Enkai (God in Maasai) bless you."** Naiperiae's Mum

Partners for Care (PFC) shared this report and pictures from Kenya.



# HELP SPREAD THE NEWS

For years now, we have been supported by Partners for Care in taking over 10,000 Mobility Carts and changing life after life in Kenya. Other countries have recently been active as well. Ghana sponsors have recently gotten some attention. **A Catholic priest from Ghana working in Missouri just sent a container over of supplies with 90 carts and 20 sewing machines.** Another NGO in Maryland also sent two pallets of Pull and Small Carts to Ghana. ***“I was looking to have at least 8 small (carts) because they have been really helpful in allowing children with disabilities to rekindle their humanity.”*** Dr. Ebenezer Derek Akwanga (eahrhi.org website photo showing other carts that arrived for ‘physically challenged children’.) (Also check out the report from FAME working in Ghana on the back page.)



*eahrhi's mission: "To be a voice to the minority groups..."*



How do they know about us? We depend on YOU to tell our Story and how we can help. Can you arrange for a Speaker Bureau volunteer to speak at your favorite group? Does your church support a missionary that could use a load of carts? Does your Rotary Club need a program? I have visited 3 in the past month. Think about all the clubs, organizations, churches, that you are members. We will come and bring a cart.

Of course, we cannot travel all over the USA; so, I successfully did a Zoom presentation to a Rotary Club outside Philadelphia. All by the internet. It went well. So, spread the word, tell your friends, and we will continue to build our 2025 weekly average of 57 carts. All due to YOUR generosity. I say THANK YOU from that immobile person crawling on the ground that you are about to change their lives.

- GARY

## UNITED METHODIST YOUTH IN NY ROLL AGAIN

We are especially connected to Fairport United Methodist Church. Our nonprofit is an approved national mission, Advance Special #982665, by the United Methodist Church. “Each summer, youth from Fairport UMC take part in a four-day bike trip to Hamlin Beach State Park—but it’s more than just a ride. Along the way, they raise thousands of dollars to support Mobility Worldwide MO – Columbia helping provide handcarts to individuals in developing countries who can’t walk. Through miles of pedaling, shared meals, and spiritual reflection, these youth are growing in faith and purpose—one ride at a time.”

This is the 5<sup>th</sup> year the Youth of Fairport UMC have raised money for our mobility mission – totally over \$15,000. The 92 mile bike ride fundraiser is led by Joy Leinenbach, Family Ministries Director. Here’s the link to the video created and pictures shared by United Methodists of Upper New York.

6-minute video <https://vimeo.com/1110063890>



# GIFTS GIVEN LAST QUARTER:

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



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## GIFTS GIVEN IN MEMORY:

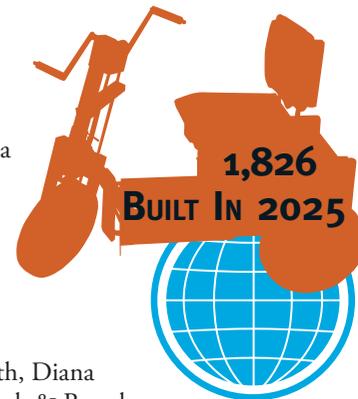
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- Rev. Carol Blackwell by Carole & John Aylward
- Lorin Dressel by Roger Richie
- Gary Galusha by Barbara Karst
- Faye McKee by Roger McKee
- Jeff Moyer by Linda Moyer
- Lucy Zahler and in honor of Warren Zahler by Meg Bonasera

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**Candid.**

## GIFTS GIVEN IN HONOR:

- Dave Denton by Kathy & Andy Maynard
- Jennifer Dressler by Lisa & Bruce Miles
- Dr. Roger Hofmeister by Patricia & Peter Dalum
- Roger, Marge, and the entire Hofmeister family by Reginald Dusing
- Ronnie Landis birthday by Bobette Landis
- LaVonne Patterson's 95th birthday by Sarah Kurre & Family
- Tracy Qualls and Cyndi Toedebusch by Marylin Sudbrock
- Paul & Julianna Ruble by Thelma Riehle
- Arthur and Ruth Witt by Judith Witt & Bruce Pack
- Barbara & Mel West by Charles Schoene & Ed & Myra Kail
- Mel West by Robert & Jane Smith, Diana & Preston Chapel, Lloyd Viehland, & Brenda Nicholls
- Dave Sleper by Lynn Barnett



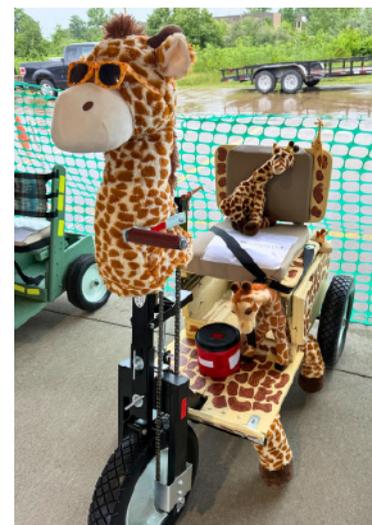
# 149 MORE LIVES TO BE CHANGED

## HEARTS FOR CARTS HAD THE MOST SPONSORED CARTS IN 2025.

Thank you to all who participated in this year's Hearts for Carts event. We had multiple Event Sponsors including General Printing, Rusk Rehabilitation Hospital and Aurora Organic Dairy (pictured as Fan Favorite). We also had multiple band sponsors and over 400 attendees. 149 Mobility Carts were sponsored with some decorated by children; the most in 7 years of the event. All shipped out in August to Partners for Care in Kenya (about 2 months in shipping). Girls' Night Out cart (pictured) in a Giraffe theme was more than ready for the journey to Africa. We would be thrilled to have you join in 2026 with the event on Sunday, July 12 at the MU Health Care Pavilion.



*Aurora Organic Dairy was voted Fan Favorite.*



*Girls' Night Out won Judge's Choice.*

**We promise** to seek out God's "least of these" persons and direct your resources to changing their lives.

# GROWING PAINS

This boy in Kenya wore out and outgrew his Small Cart made in MI. Partners for Care moved him up to one of our Large Carts. We have received reports of Mobility Carts 10 and 12 years old with some replacement parts through our Distribution & Delivery Partners. We ship carts and supplies to maintain older carts. In this case, we were glad our partner could upgrade him to a larger mobility device. Thank you for keeping this boy with two amputations rolling along.



## Giving Opportunity

Please remember and choose MSECC 9009 when you sign up for the MO State Employees Charitable Campaign this fall. Let's provide more Mobility Carts to those in need around the globe.

“WHEN YOU GIVE JOY TO OTHER PEOPLE, YOU GET MORE JOY IN RETURN.”

- ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

## 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 \$425.00 each.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ set of tires. Set of 3 tires & wheels at \$80 for each cart.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

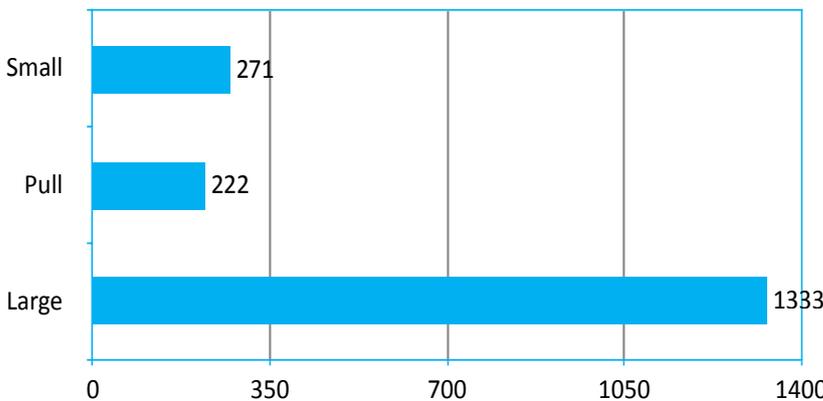
Organization, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to **Mobility Worldwide MO-Columbia** and mail to:  
4825 E Meyer Industrial Dr  
Columbia, MO 65201-8296



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August 19, 2025 YTD Cart Production = 1,826



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# MORE CARTS, MORE WORK AND NEW STAFF

## SUCCESS AND GROWTH MEANS MORE WORK NEEDS TO BE DONE TO OPERATE OUR NONPROFIT.

For the last several years, the board and staff have reviewed needs of the organization as we increase production. Part of the conversation has been additional staffing and for which areas. We keep adding new volunteers and training and adding tasks to current volunteers, but there have been some areas that have not been met. So, the board built into the 2025 budget funds for 2 new, part-time staff.

**Mike Egloff joins us as the new Shop Foreman to support Gary in running the shop and being on site as Gary travels sharing our story and meeting with supporters (donors, volunteers in the field and vendors).** Raised in Indiana, he studied welding at Indiana Vocational Tech. With a degree in Industrial Arts & a masters in Industrial Education, he taught middle school and high school industrial technology in Indiana, Ohio and Missouri for 27 years retiring in 2017. He interviewed with Gary Moreau and shadowed the shop for a week, and then joined our staff in May.



**Ashley Hofmann joins us as a new Administrative Staff supporting Kathy with business operations.** A native of Jefferson City, Ashley completed undergrad at Truman State University, and then earned a masters of social work at the University of Missouri. She previously worked at the American Hospital Association in Chicago planning conferences and educational workshops for the healthcare field. She began work in June after her mission trip to Malawi.



This summer, Ashley traveled to Malawi with her uncle and current Board Trustee and Secretary, Jim Hofmann, to meet with organizations serving the local villages, including a hospital-led cooking class, newly-opened maternity ward, wells to provide clean water, a sewing cooperative, and expanded school facilities for girls. While in the northern city of Mzuzu, Ashley and Jim saw several Mobility Carts in use, including this gentleman outside of a grocery store. Our shop has sent carts to Malawi, but the young man pictured with an amputation is actually using a cart produced at our sister Affiliate in DeMotte, IN. (Picture courtesy of Jim Hofmann.)

As you have read, Mike and Ashley come to us with particular experiences and skill sets. They have jumped right in handling various tasks. They are cheerful and competent additions to our staff. Thank you to those who shared our want ads and gave us good options to consider.

Please help us welcome Mike and Ashley. Sincerely, Board & Staff



*Young man in Malawi using his cart.*

## STELLA'S LEMONADE STAND STRIKES AGAIN

Since Stella was 10 years old in 2019, she began a lemonade stand each summer to raise money to build a Mobility Cart. Stella would come with her grandmother, volunteer Elsie Heller, on off school days and jump right in to help. She has raised over \$700; \$190 this year.

Thank YOU, Stella!



**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 low income or underdeveloped countries.

## MORE GOOD NEWS FROM GHANA

This report came from our Distribution and Delivery Partner, FAME in August.

“Gary, thank you for your continued partnership with FAME. I recently received this update from one of our Ghana partners below:

Fame Clinic, Makango is doing fine by the grace of God. Patients who came to our facility were taken care of, and devotions are ongoing. **This month the management team at the facility gave a donation to a Pistis Christian Church member. He is a gentleman with a disability challenge who is always looking for broken shoes to fix.** The administrator and her team gave him one of the relief items from the head office as a donation to enable him to work.

We thank our donors and pray for more equipment and items to improve the quality of healthcare we give. May God bless all our staff to work hard always to help our community members.



*A shoe cobbler receives a cart through FAME.*