

Manitoba Reaches out to the Philippines



Manitoba has been responding to the devastation caused by Typhoon Washi which swept through riverside and coastal villages in the southern Philippines last month. Thanks to a generous commitment from the provincial government, Manitoba organizations are on the ground helping with the recovery.

On December 19, 2011, the Government of Manitoba announced it would be providing \$100,000 for Relief and Rehabilitation (R&R) in the Philippines. These funds are administered through the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation.

So far, MCIC's Overseas Projects

Committee has recommended the approval of two R&R projects in the Philippines. Emmanuel International Canada received \$20,000 for its Mindanao Flood Relief project which will assist victims of the flood in the northern part of the Mindanao island. Assistance will include food, cooking utensils, hygiene items, children's clothing and medicine. Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC) received \$27,000 for its Cash Transfer Project, which will allow beneficiaries to purchase items that meet their highest needs in the wake of the disaster.

The Overseas Projects Committee continues to review proposals for the Philippines R&R Fund.

Upcoming Events

Engineers Without Borders' Water and Sanitation Project Launch

Wednesday January 18, 2012

7:00pm

Location: Buchwald Room, Millennium Library, 251 Donald Street, Winnipeg

Join the Engineers Without Borders Winnipeg City Network in launching their campaign to support their Water and Sanitation project in Malawi. The event will include a brief overview of the work the Winnipeg City Network is doing, specifics on the project and a keynote presentation from a returned volunteer from Malawi. For more information contact winnipeg@ewb.ca

Microfinance – The Illusion of Development: a public presentation by Dr. Milford Bateman

Tuesday January 24, 2012

5:00pm

Location: Convocation Hall, University of Winnipeg, 515 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg

Menno Simons College and co-sponsors are pleased to announce a public presentation by Dr. Milford Bateman. Dr. Bateman is a British economist based in Croatia with expertise in microfinance programs of large organizations. He has published several articles and books that critique excessive reliance on micro-credit as an economic development strategy. For more information, contact Jerry Buckland at j.buckland@uwinnipeg.ca.



The United Nations has declared 2012 the International Year of Cooperatives (IYC).

The International Year of Cooperatives is intended to raise public awareness of the invaluable contributions of cooperative enterprises to poverty reduction, employment generation and social integration. The year will also highlight the strengths of the cooperative business model as an alternative means of doing business and furthering socio-economic development.

[Click here to visit the official United Nations IYC 2012 site.](#)

Lunch and Learn

All Lunch and Learns are at noon at the MCIC office at
302-280 Smith St, Winnipeg

Thursday January 26 -

Lieketseng (Keke) Phooko is a farmer from Lesotho, working as a Public Engagement Intern at the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. In Lesotho, Keke helps farmers learn new ways to grow more food through conservation agriculture, a method of small-scale farming that is increasing yields in drought-affected areas using simple, easily accessible tools and methods. She will talk about her experiences and how she hopes these farming methods will ensure food security for her country. [Click here to read more about Keke.](#)



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Momentum
for our world

Don't forget to visit the website for MCIC's youth engagement program, *Generating Momentum For Our World*.

www.generatingmomentum.ca is the place to find information about: Generating Momentum For Our World Youth Conferences; programs and workshops that MCIC offers; resources provided by MCIC and our member organizations on international development issues; video profiles of Manitoban global citizens; global citizenship in your school and community and much more.

www.generatingmomentum.ca



i am making
a difference

International Development Week (IDW), held annually, the first full week of February, is proclaimed nationally by CIDA and highlights and illustrates the work of Canada's development community and events take place across Canada. IDW will take place from February 5-11, 2012. The theme for IDW 2012 is the *Empowerment of Women and Girls in International Development*.

Currently, we are completing plans for the following events:

Public Launch of IDW in Manitoba

Wednesday February 8, 2012 11:30am - 1:30pm

Location: Manitoba Legislative Building, Winnipeg

This event will kick off IDW 2012, with an ethical fashion show, the launch of the MCIC *I am making a difference* music video and video profiles and displays by member agencies. The public is welcome to attend.

Who's Who in International Development

Thursday February 9, 2012 3:00 - 5:00pm

Location: Engineering Atrium, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg

This is a great networking event for students, faculty members and Manitoba's development community.

Let us know what you are doing to celebrate IDW and we may be able to include it in next month's International Development Week Special Edition of the Global Citizenship eNewsletter. Watch out for more information on events in Manitoba during IDW and MCIC's video profiles of Manitobans who are Making a Difference in our world at www.mcic.ca

MATCH IDW 2012 Event

MATCH International Manitoba invites you to its fundraising luncheon at 1:00pm, Sunday, February 5, 2012, at the Convocation Hall of the University of Winnipeg, in recognition of **International Development Week 2012**.

MATCH and WUSC Empowering Women and Girls: Making a Difference with speakers Dr. John McKenzie, Joan Butcher, Mascilline Hama, Rob Scott.

Tickets are \$40.00 (tax receipt \$20.00). For more information about this event call Irene on (204) 261-1363 or Helen on (204) 895-8108 or [visit the MATCH International website](#).



Gerry Caplan was the keynote speaker at a dinner held in Winnipeg December 10, 2011 to mark the 50th anniversary of Cuso International and the 63rd anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations on December 10, 1948.

This event was sponsored by the University of Winnipeg Global College, CUPE Manitoba, the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation and Cuso International. It was held at the Union Centre in downtown Winnipeg.

[Click here to view Gerry Caplan's speech *International Human Rights Day: Solidarity, not Charity*.](#)

CIDA Launches Youth and Teacher Zones



The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) has just relaunched two 'zones' on their website, packed full of information, resources and activities about international development for young people and their teachers.

[Click here to visit the Youth and Teacher Zones.](#)

Call for proposals: International Youth Internship Program

The Canadian International Development Agency's (CIDA) International Youth Internship Program (IYIP) is launching a call for proposals for 2012-2014 for up to \$10 million.

The deadline for submissions is February 9, 2012, at 14:00 Pacific Standard Time (PST).

IYIP is a component of an employment program for Canadian graduates (ages 19 to 30 inclusive), part of the Career Focus stream of the Government of Canada's Youth Employment Strategy (YES). Canada's YES provides Canadian youth with tools and experience they need to launch successful careers.

CIDA will contribute up to \$12,000 per intern for a minimum of five interns per year up to a maximum of 20 interns per year per organization to cover costs directly incurred by the intern and specified within the contribution agreement. CIDA will also provide the organization with an allowance of up to 20 percent of the total project cost - a maximum of \$3,000 - per intern to cover all administrative and overhead costs.

For more information on eligibility, the application process, and to apply, click here.



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AWARDS



The YMCA-YWCA Women of Distinction Awards Program is an inspirational and exciting celebration of talent, achievement, imagination and innovation, honouring Manitoba women who have made a unique and exemplary contribution to the development of others in our community.

The annual presentation of these awards reflects the Y's commitment to increase public recognition of these women who have earned our admiration and respect.

Nomination forms are available at www.ywinnipeg.ca or at any YMCA-YWCA branch.

For more information about the award, please contact Mel Marginet, Event Coordinator at mmarginet@ymcaywca.mb.ca or (204) 831-2975

Final deadline for nominations is February 27, 2012.

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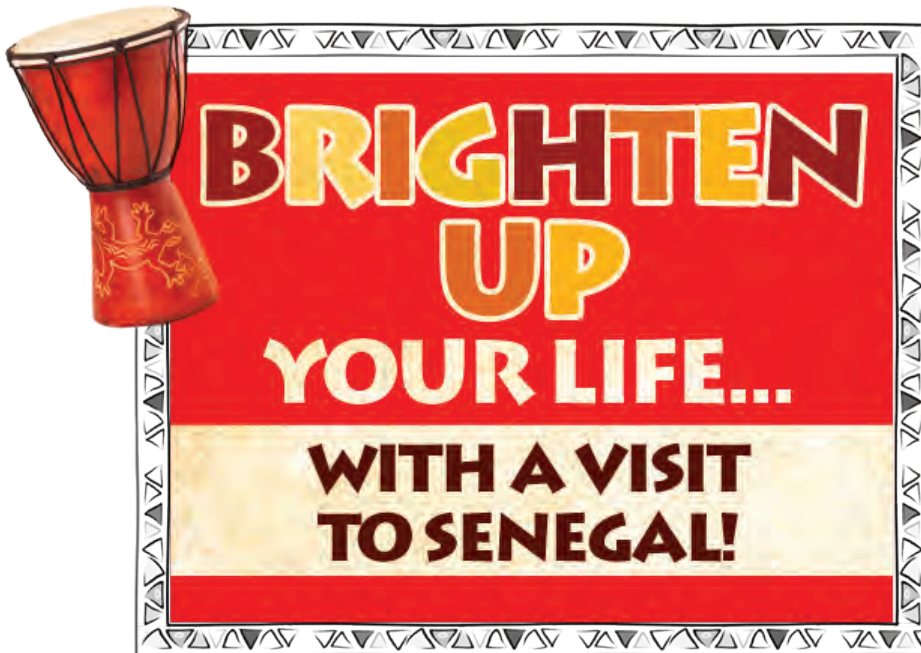
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Congratulations Manitobans

For the last thirteen years Manitoba has lead the way in Canada when it comes to charitable donations. The 2011 Generosity Index Annual Report published by the Fraser Institute shows 26% of Manitoba taxpayers gave to a registered charity in 2009, more than in any other province and had the highest percentage of total income donated at 0.89%. Congratulations Manitoba, for continuing to act as Global Citizens, and to show that this province is dedicated to making our world a better place.

February 23-25, 2012

Marlborough Hotel, 331 Smith Street



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