

WORLD PARTNERSHIP WALK

IMPACT REPORT 2018



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World
Partnership
Walk

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WHO WE ARE

Aga Khan Foundation Canada (AKFC) is an international development organization and registered Canadian charity that supports programs or initiatives in Asia and Africa. Committed to breaking the cycle of poverty, we help build strong, healthy, and inclusive communities where everyone has the opportunity to reach their full potential. We undertake these efforts with the generous support of tens of thousands of individual Canadians and Canada's private sector through World Partnership Walk and World Partnership Golf. Donations through these initiatives go directly to support our programs.

Areas of focus:



Health



Education



Economic
inclusion



Food
security



Civic
engagement



Gender
equality

Here are a couple of our current programs

Strong health systems are the backbone of strong societies



Improving Access to Maternal and Newborn Health in Mwanza, Tanzania, a partnership between AKFC and Global Affairs Canada, is accelerating the reduction of maternal and newborn mortality by addressing major reproductive, maternal, and newborn health challenges. The program focuses on improving availability of quality maternal and newborn health services, and increasing the use of those services by women and their families. This is directly benefitting approximately 653,499 women of reproductive age (15-49) and 83,606 infants under the age of one (50% girls). An additional 320,918 men are also expected to be reached through community sensitization activities aimed at improving maternal and newborn health outcomes.

The development challenges we face are global, but the solutions are local



The **Afghanistan Women's Empowerment Program** is advancing gender equality by increasing social and economic participation of women in 36 districts of Takhar, Baghlan, and Bamyán provinces. Through the creation of both institutional capacity and an enabling environment, individual women are empowering themselves socially and economically with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to engage in public life and integrate into the economy. Program activities target the individual, the household, the community, and the wider society – the four levels where women's empowerment needs to occur.

To learn more about AKFC's program portfolio, visit akfc.ca/work/our-programs.

CANADIANS ARE MAKING A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE!

World Partnership Walk, held annually in 10 cities across the country, is Canada's largest public movement to fight global poverty. A volunteer-driven initiative of Aga Khan Foundation Canada, the Walk supports programs that help millions of people in Africa and Asia unlock their potential to build a better life. The Walk attracts 40,000 participants every year, and has raised over \$100 million since it began in 1985.

2018 PROVED TO BE ANOTHER GREAT YEAR!



10 CITIES

across Canada hosted Walks: Calgary, Edmonton, Kitchener-Waterloo, London, Montreal, Ottawa, Regina, Toronto, Vancouver and Victoria.

557 TEAMS

fundraised \$3.4 million to increase access to quality education and health, increase food security and create economic opportunities for families and communities across Africa and Asia.



6,449 FUNDRAISERS

of all ages led fundraising efforts across Canada to help create brighter futures for all.

\$7 MILLION

was raised in 2018 by World Partnership Walk fundraisers, including \$2 million from generous corporate supporters.



MEET SOME OF OUR INSPIRING WORKPLACE TEAM CAPTAINS!

Faheem Savja and Jamil Daya, founding members of the Toronto TD workplace team and joint 2018 Team Captains, believe there are many benefits to starting a workplace team for World Partnership Walk.



“Starting a team has allowed us to connect with TD leadership about an initiative that was not work related. In a way, it served as a means to get to know our own management and work team better,” Faheem says.

With the support of senior leadership and 112 team members, Faheem and Jamil’s team was able to fundraise their way to success with an impressive \$26,133 raised for the 2018 Walk. Both Faheem and Jamil grew up participating in the Walk. For them, bringing their colleagues together on WALK DAY is a real highlight.

“WALK DAY is always a blast! You meet new people from your own organization, and end up realizing that you may have a personal or professional connection to them already. It really is a great time and an opportunity to learn about your colleagues in a fun and informal setting,” Faheem says.

“It gives your co-workers the opportunity to be a part of something bigger than themselves and the opportunity to feel good about making a difference,” explains Jamil. Forming a workplace team and partnering with World Partnership Walk also brings benefits to TD as an organization. Not only is it an opportunity to bring staff together in an engaging and meaningful way, “it’s also a great opportunity to increase brand awareness in the community and maybe even engage in a little friendly competition with other workplace teams,” explains Faheem.

This year, the TD team is hoping to inspire more colleagues to come on board so they can make an even bigger impact for communities overseas.

Stephanie Fox (right) is one of thousands of Canadians who mobilize locally to unlock potential globally through AKFC’s World Partnership Walk.

As the National Teams Coordinator for Scotiabank’s workplace teams across the country, Stephanie sees the Walk as “a wonderful opportunity for us to come together and show our commitment, dedication, and passion for building stronger communities.”

Stephanie believes that it is important to be involved in the communities in which we live and work, and to help improve the quality of life in Canada as well as abroad.

“The Foundation’s areas of focus and initiatives speak to me, and it means a lot that the company I work for is involved and shares this passion,” Stephanie says.

It’s also an opportunity to build a strong workplace community. “I’ve had the chance to network with senior leadership and work with Scotiabankers that I may not have had otherwise,” Stephanie says.

More than 200 members of the Scotiabank family – including Joyce Hu (pictured with Stephanie), the Scotiabank Team Captain for Toronto – participate in fundraising activities across Canada, building a stronger, more engaged workforce and a brighter global future.



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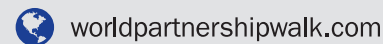
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