

HOPE PROJECT

The Hope Project is a co-action between CFUW/SSI and CGEF. Its aim is to assist academically deserving girls whose families are unable to fund their secondary school education. Students are selected from applicants proposed for funding by CGEF. To ensure that funds are secure and used to best advantage, CGEF sends sponsorship monies directly to the schools the girls are attending. The funds cover tuition costs, uniforms, entrance examinations, transportation costs and school meals. There is no administrative deduction from the funds raised by CFUW/SSI.

With financial assistance, these students have the opportunity to reach their potential. Many become role models for their families and leaders in their communities.

The CFUW/SSI initiated the Hope Project in 2005 with the sponsorship of three girls. More money has been raised each following year and the number of girls sponsored each year has steadily increased. Since 2005, 154 girls from a wide range of countries around the world have been funded through the project. To date, the Hope Project has helped 120 girls complete their education. As young women, they have gone on to work in spheres such as teaching, nursing, accountancy, engineering, tourism, and many more. All have benefited personally from their education and in turn are able to help their families, communities and countries.

In 2017, the project is sponsoring 34 girls in the following countries – Sierra Leone, Bangladesh, Malawi, Belize, Guyana, India, Rwanda, Jamaica and Papua New Guinea.

THE COMMONWEALTH GIRLS EDUCATION FUND

Commitment to Changing Lives through Education and Friendship

The Commonwealth Girls Education Fund (CGEF) is a UK based charity that helps girls complete their secondary or high school education in their own Commonwealth country in cases where, for economic reasons, this might not otherwise be possible.

Support (both financial and encouragement) is tailored to the individual needs of each girl based on their academic potential, individual merit and personal situation. CGEF sponsors around 400 girls in 30 Commonwealth Countries.

Browse the CGEF web site for more details <http://www.cclef.org/>

Millicent – Sierra Leone Graduated 2016



Millicent's ambition is to become an accountant.

Visit the CFUW-SSI web site for more information on the Hope Project <http://cfuwssi.ca/hope-project/>

Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW)

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The Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW/FCFUDU) is an equality-seeking, advocacy organization that works to advance the rights of women and girls both in Canada and around the world. It is the largest of the 62 affiliates worldwide that are part of Graduate Women International (GWI).

CFUW members work to raise the social, economic and legal status of women in our world today. In addition, they advocate for protecting the environment, and promote education, peace, and human rights.

For more information visit:

www.cfuwssi.ca,
www.cfuw.org
www.graduatewomen.org

**CFUW Salt Spring Island
Hope Project Girls Sponsored in 2017**

Year Year

Ruth – Papua New Guinea

Ruth completed Grade 10 at a Christian secondary school in 2014 with good grades. Ruth's sole support was her grandfather. After he died, 2 missionaries adopted Ruth. They paid for her first two years of high school in exchange for housework and babysitting. Her ambition is to become a teacher.



Jada – Jamaica

Jada's ambition is to become a lawyer or a medical therapist. She lives with her mother, her grandparents, a twin sister and a cousin. Her mother cannot afford the school fees. Jada is on the honour role at her high school and is noted to be a quiet and cooperative student.



Kasanga - Malawi

Kasanga's head teacher notes she is supported by her older sister who also takes care of an older, unemployed mother and other family members. Kasanga has good grades, particularly in physics and mathematics. Her ambition is to become a doctor.



Sponsored Graduating

India		
Vibhari R.	2016	2018
Maitri	2016	2018
Khushi V.	2016	2018
Urvashi	2016	2018
Gracy S.	2016	2018
Shruti M.	2016	2018
Snehal S.	2016	2018
Anushri H.	2016	2018
Sakshi S.	2016	2018
Tiya	2016	2018
Guyana		
Gracelee	2015	2018
Melanie	2015	2018
Shanaza	2015	2018
Tarrah	2015	2018
Rwanda		
Marie	2017	2019
Alice	2017	2019
Belize		
Julissa	2015	2017
Tanya	2015	2017
Sierra Leone		
Annette	2016	2019
Malawi		
Bridget	2017	2019
Kasanga	2017	2020
Grace	2017	2020
Bangladesh		
Nishat	2016	2017
Israt	2016	2017
Papua New Guinea		
Ruth	2017	2017
Eileen	2017	2017
Jocelyne	2017	2017
Joan	2017	2017
Jocelyn	2017	2017
Lovelyn	2017	2017
Marlyne	2017	2017
Jamaica		
Rhea	2017	2019
Daneele	2017	2020
Jada	2017	2020

Annette – Sierra Leone

Annette comes from a poor family whose mother works as a maid. Annette is taking extra classes because her education was impacted by the Ebola outbreak. She had good grades in her first year of high school and is very grateful for the opportunity to continue her education. Her ambition is to become a journalist.



Sakshi - India

Sakshi obtains grades over 80% placing 4th in a class of 63 students. She lives in a rural area and her father is a worker who is unable to pay all the school fees. No one else in her family is educated. She is very ambitious, wishing to not only help her family but to serve her country as a policewoman.



Gracelee – Guyana

Gracelee was abandoned by her parents at birth and lives with her adoptive family. Her school principal says that despite her circumstances, she does her assignments promptly, attends school regularly and punctually and achieves good grades. Her ambition is to become a scientist.

