

Raindrop Gala

Impact Report 2022



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Born in Zambia, Shameer moved to Calgary when he was only 9 months old and returned to visit when he was 12. The sight of poverty, access to water or lack of was always a hinderance. He wanted to make a difference.

Born and raised in Canada, Shen visited her grandparents in Kenya when she was 8. Due to unforeseen circumstances, lived there for 8 years. In that time, Shen not only saw but endured the living conditions of Kenya. When Shen and her family returned to Canada, she knew she wanted to make a difference.

"There are those who enter the world in such poverty that they are deprived of both the means and motivation to improve their lot. Unless these unfortunates can be touched with a spark which ignites the spirit of individual enterprise and determination, they will only sink back into renewed apathy, degradation and despair. It is for us who are more fortunate to provide that spark." His Highness The Aga Khan

Raindrop Gala

Hosted by Millenium Plus Homes, Raindrop Gala is an annual fundraiser in support of raising money and awareness of global poverty. 100% of funds raised through supporters, ticket sales, sponsorship and silent auction is donated to the World Partnership Walk.

".... When hope fades, extremist ideologies feed on the despair that is born from limitless poverty." Aga Khan



Impact

- Hosted 5 consecutive galas
- Each gala hosted over 550 people
- In attendance – MLAs, Ministers, local celebrities, many business owners and professionals
 - ❖ 2016 - \$40,000
 - ❖ 2017 - \$43,000
 - ❖ 2018 - \$55,000
 - ❖ 2019 - \$70,000
 - ❖ 2022 - \$68,000



"... to me, poverty means being without shelter, without protection, without access to healthcare, education, or credit, and without hope of ever controlling one's own destiny. This means condemning one's children and grandchildren to unacceptable living conditions." Aga Khan

Projects supported by Raindrop Gala

To date, Raindrop Gala has raised over \$275,000 from local supporters like you! Thanks to you, Raindrop has supported projects like The Access to Quality Care through Extending & Strengthening Health Systems (AQCESS). This \$30.5 million program is helping improve the health of families in some of the most vulnerable parts of the developing world.

This project to date has reached 998,500 women and girls and 601,500 men and boys totaling 1.6 million people! AQCESS has been tackling these challenges head on since 2015, investing in communities where maternal, newborn, and child health care is particularly poor.

Something interesting to note:

AKFC's contribution is \$5.4 million; Global Affairs Canada's contribution is \$25 million. The leverage ratio is 1:4

So, How can YOU get involved?

- You and your company can be a **PLATINUM, GOLD, SILVER OR CASINO** Supporter
- Donate to our Silent Auction
- Buy tickets for you and your employees and join us at our gala
- Start your own workplace team for the World Partnership Walk

BENEFITS for your company and employees:

- Reinforce your commitment to help end Global Poverty
- Put your company on the map for social responsibility in investing in the global community
- Enrich your company culture with the spirit of generosity and giving
- Expand your professional network
- Be part of a movement to fight global poverty

Join tens of thousands of Canadians in fighting global poverty!

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