2021 challenged us all with some obstacles that were bigger than any of us could have expected. But rather than halting our progress, you still came through, making our victories even bigger than we could have imagined. We were all fatigued from uncertainty and isolation, from having to adjust to a new normal. And as volunteers and fundraisers, you had to rethink strategies to keep helping us do our work with your support. And you succeeded, as always, more impressively than ever.

So, thank you. Thank you for your perseverance, for advocating for our mission, for sharing our story in new and creative ways. Thank you for being our voice that allowed people everywhere to continue to make a positive difference during these unprecedented times.

We envision a world where communities work together to overcome the challenges of chronic poverty. Your partnership makes this a reality. The victories you have made possible are your victories, too.

We’re proud to present you with this partnership update, so you can see a small example of the good that your generosity makes possible in the country you choose to support. And enclosed is your 2021 Giving Report, summarizing the contributions made toward your partnership last year.

We hope you enjoy and find inspiration in this edition of the Partnership Program Updates. If you need more resources to share with your group, please visit our website at outreach-international.org/resources. If you have specific questions or just want to say “Hello!”, please contact Marsha Penrose at m.penrose@outreachmail.org

Graduation Celebration

The community of Chamata began its work as a field project location in 2011. They’ve tackled so many issues they had been facing and brought themselves development in several areas – food loans, goat raising, various agricultural projects, feeding programs, latrines, water projects, and more, to the benefit of 2,174 people. This nonstop push to grow and improve has made them one of the most proactive, motivated, and ambitious community-based organizations for Outreach anywhere in the world!
One highlight is a project they developed themselves. They collected bottles and other rubbish from all around their community environment. They filled the bottles with the rubbish and with sand, then used the filled bottles as bricks to build an eco-toilet. The success of this structure was not only that they cleaned their community of trash, but they provided themselves with a safe and sanitary bathroom to use.

And they didn’t just help themselves. Through the Outreach “SPROUT” program (Spreading Outreach), Chamata challenged themselves with the facilitation of the neighboring community of Bosso. The experienced leaders from Chamata guided the Bosso group to accomplish so much – food loans, goat raising, COVID mitigation through handwashing and face masks, education about reproductive health and family planning, and an establishment of revolving funds. And another 1,151 people benefitted.

The community of Tunfwane began its work with Outreach in 2014. They’ve implemented projects in agriculture, water, and latrines, all to the benefit of 2,000 people.

Both Chamata and Tunfwane have graduated from the Outreach Participatory Human Development program (PHDP). They celebrated their great accomplishments together - singing, dancing, and eating. And as a token to commemorate the occasion, each group planted a fruit tree to represent how they will need to continue to work together for their efforts to bear fruit.

These long roads of hard work have led to ultimate success, and hope for a better future, all made possible because of your support.