



Burkina Faso: A blessing to the World

Welcome to the Spring 2018 Transform Burkina newsletter. We hope you find inspiration and encouragement as you read on!



One year later

A year after this picture was taken, this field now looks very different, thanks to your support.

Work is well under way on the next phase of building work at Soulyale School, as we seek to offer an education of the highest quality to 300 pupils a year who live in this remote rural community.

Please consider whether you could donate to this project. Visit our web site to find out more.



Staying in touch.

We really hope you enjoy receiving this newsletter as much as we enjoy sharing our news with you.

We will continue to send it in paper format if that is what you prefer, but, if you are able and willing to receive it in your inbox by email, that will also save on postage costs for us.

Please fill in the response slip enclosed if you can switch to email or email us at info@transformburkina.org.uk.



Food insecurity looms

For many in northern Burkina Faso, the next few months will see growing food shortages and hunger.

Erratic rains, very high temperatures and insect attacks earlier in the year combined to see farmers suffer a poor harvest. As food supplies run short, many will struggle to feed their families until the next growing season at the end of this year.

Through our local partners, we want to offer what support we can and any donations you are able to offer would be welcome.



Thanks for 'showing up'

Generous Scottish theatre go-ers dug deep in a retiring collection for our work this month.

Following each performance of 'Hello Dolly', recently performed in Edinburgh by the Southern Lights Opera Company, donations were invited for two charities, including Transform Burkina and we are so grateful for this support for our work.

If you would like to organise a collection or fundraising event for our projects, we would love to hear from you and please get in touch.



Launch of WASH

Following a fundraising campaign we are close to launching the first phase of our major new WASH programme.

Over the next five years, we aim to bring a water, sanitation and hygiene programme to 12 rural communities, including the provision of clean water, toilets and help in managing what are often scarce water resources.

In Burkina it is said 'water is life' and please consider helping to bring more 'life' to these communities by making a donation to this work.



Learning a trade for life

We believe that improving the opportunities for people to earn their own living and improve their livelihoods is vital for long term development.

Over the coming months, new initiatives to teach skills at one of our schools and access small loans to start a rural business will be launched by our partners in Burkina Faso.

To find out more about the thinking behind this work, please visit our web site.



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