

# ZAWADI\*

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\* Zawadi is the Swahili word for “The Gift”

## CELEBRATION IN STYLE!

Excitement of our African partners upon receiving technological equipment is grand and Unifamily is no exception. They recently received six additional computers and a printer for their computer lab and they threw a party! They are no different than us when it comes to the joy of new things, and your donated equipment has changed their lives forever. In most of our labs, two or three students share a computer for classes so these six computers will make a huge difference for the Unifamily students. We look forward to seeing more students in their classroom! We hope you enjoy this magical time for them through their photos!



# BARIKI COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER CELEBRATES THEIR FIRST GRADUATES!!



Bariki Community Learning Center, part of Gazelle Impact Kenya in Kinangop, Kenya, had their first graduation from the computer class on June 4, 2022! We are beyond thrilled for both staff and students. There were ten graduates (in photo along with their families) who completed the Basic Computer Skills course. Their Director, Jacinta Gitau, shares this: “Since we are in a global village, the 1st cohort of students who graduated were enrolled for the next phase of training on internet browsing and connectivity, computer coding etc. Due to high demand on learners, we introduced a weekday class which is held on Wednesday to make three lessons per week. I am glad to report that two of our students who graduated from our center proceeded to do a bachelor degree in Computer Science in some of the best universities in Kenya. We are glad with the Connection Ubuntu Team for helping nurture the talents of the young ones and open doors for their future careers.”

From one of the graduates: “My name is Paul Kinyanjui and I am 17 years old. I graduated with computer basic skills at Bariki Community Learning Centre. I would like to say that these computer classes are helpful to us students for learning new things every day in the world of computing. They are turning computer-illiterate people into computer experts. For sure the idea was a brilliant one. I have met the government placement grade for higher education to study Computer Science and will be joining the Dedan Kimathi University College in September in Kenya. Thank you so much.”



# COOL THINGS TO SHARE FROM OUR PARTNERS

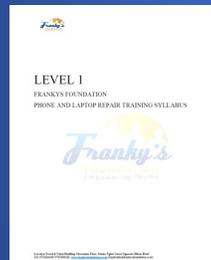
Ever wonder what a computer exam looks like for a "Basic Computer Skills" course in Africa? Well we are happy to share the two final exam tests that Rescue Wing gives to their students. Keep in mind these are people who have never touched a computer ever before. This technology is completely new for them. We are happy that their Director, Erick, wants us to know exactly what they are teaching! Thank you Erick!

FINAL, PART ONE

FINAL, PART TWO



Franky's Foundation is a youth-led organization in Nairobi, Kenya... and they are offering a discounted rate to all Connection Ubuntu lab students to attend their Smartphone and Computer Repair classes. Students must be women. We are so thankful to them for this opportunity to students and we pray some decide to attend the 2-month course. Franky has sent us a syllabus for the classes and you can check that out below. If you would like more information please access their website [here](#). If a computer lab student or students would like more information, please email us at: [connectionubuntu@gmail.com](mailto:connectionubuntu@gmail.com)



## WE'RE HAVING A CONTEST!! RULES ARE SIMPLE...

Visit our [Online Store](#) and purchase an item. Once you receive your item(s) email us a photo of you wearing it/them at [connectionubuntu@gmail.com](mailto:connectionubuntu@gmail.com)... we'll draw a name out of a hat and a lucky supporter will receive a gift from us! The contest will run through September... this gives everyone a chance to get their gear! If you don't see your favorite color, let us know... we may be able to offer other colors! **For every purchase you make, Bonfire donates a portion of the sale to us!**

## THE OFFICIAL CONNECTION UBUNTU MERCH STORE

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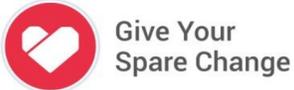


## WE ARE NOW TAKING USED OR NEW GOOGLE CHROMEBOOKS!

Your used working equipment is priceless to our partners in Africa. Donate your laptop/desktop/smartphone/keyboard/mouse, etc. (as long it is working and uses Windows 7 OS OR Apple 2013 or newer OS) and you'll be changing many lives. Once received, we'll wipe all data, if needed, add an Operating System (OS), test the equipment and clean it. If you would like to help us by donating equipment, send us a message... **your donation is tax deductible... and keeps equipment out of our landfills!**



Ever have the cash register attendant at a local merchant ask if you would like to round up your purchase total to the nearest dollar to benefit a nonprofit? You can set a weekly cap to automatically turn off roundups after a specific amount if you like. Donations are 100% tax-deductible to donors. Get started rounding up [here](#) for Connection Ubuntu!



**Supporters round up their purchases and donate their spare change.**

### SIGN UP FOR MONTHLY GIVING AND CHANGE A LIFE



We would love to have your support on a monthly basis... Click the button on the right... there are several donation options to choose from... and Goodworld makes it easy to navigate our page. Thank you!

### CONNECTION UBUNTU'S SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES:

**WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO "FOLLOW" US. PLEASE SHARE WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY!**



## VISION STATEMENT

Connection Ubuntu believes that the world is a global community where all members have the right and freedom to be active and valuable participants when given the technological tools and knowledge needed for successful global community engagement and local community self-sufficiency.

*Ubuntu: "I am what I am because of who we all are."*

