

# Zawadi

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

## THANK YOU ST. ONGE!

February was quite an amazing month for computer donations. Amani, the IT Support Specialist at St. Onge in York, emailed us to see if we would be interested in 30 computers. We responded immediately and picked up the computers within the week. We are thrilled to have St. Onge as a new partner and are so thankful for their donation. We are excited for our partners to receive these wonderful computers, knowing they will change so many more lives. Some of these computers are actually on their way to Africa already. Please feel free to spread the word with your family and friends and especially, your businesses... we love these donations!





# MEET RAJ!



Raj is one of Connection Ubuntu's Board members... and he's also our IT man! He takes all of our donated computers and checks them out to make sure we can use them. Once deemed usable, he wipes all information from them and then loads a new operating system on them. He is invaluable to us and we wanted to share with you how much he means to us. He works a full-time job and then volunteers his time to our work, whether it's during his evening hours or on the weekend, along with spending time with his wife and two daughters. We couldn't do our work without him.

If you've ever donated equipment to us, Raj has worked on it. If you plan to donate to us, this is the man who will make your donation "new" again. Thank you, Raj, for all of your hours of assistance, and for sharing your passion of educating others globally. We are so grateful for you.

## WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED?

Do you love our work? Would you like to be more involved? Do you have skills to share? Connection Ubuntu is looking for a few more Board members. We are all volunteers, dedicating our time and efforts to support the work, which means that every monetary donation is used fully to provide computers to Africans. If you think you would be interested in helping or if you would like to learn more about becoming a Board member, please contact us and put BOARD MEMBER in the subject line! We'd love to talk with you.



WE'VE GOT SOME SEATS TO FILL

# MAKE A DIFFERENCE OPPORTUNITY!!

Our partners at the Rays of Hope computer lab have collaborated with another of our labs, The Cotech, and we are thrilled about this partnership. The Cotech plans to share their knowledge and talents with Rays of Hope to teach students how to repair computers and smartphones. By doing this, the Rays of Hope students will be able to offer their services to the local community to repair computers and smartphones, giving them the means to be self-sustaining... But they need your help. Tools are needed for this to work so we were hoping you might be willing to help them with funds for these tools. Below is a list of what is needed. When making your donation please make note of the item and quantity you want your donation to go towards. If there is no note we will apply the donation where it is needed for the tool kits. If a donation is made for a line item and it is already paid for then the donation will go where it is needed. Thank you for your support and thank you to The Cotech for sharing their skills... This is such a win! Click [here](#) to make your kind donation.

## REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET PLAN

ITEM	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL IN USD
Workstation desks	2	\$70	\$140
<del>CU branded dustcoats</del>	<del>10</del>	<del>\$11</del>	<del>\$110</del> PURCHASED
Rubber glue 110ml	10	\$3	\$30
vacuum separator machines	1	\$110	\$110
Hot air machines	1	\$110	\$110
Soldering wires rolls	4	\$5.5	\$22
Soldering iron machine	4	\$27	\$108
<del>Screw drivers(full set) complete tool box</del>	<del>2</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$100</del> PURCHASED
Home dry 300ml	5	\$5.5	\$27.5
Flash disks 32 gb	2	\$16	\$32
multimetres	2	\$27.5	\$55
Form clean agent 650ml	5	\$11	\$55
External storage hard disk (1tb)	1	\$95	\$95
De-rusty spray 400ml	5	\$11	\$55
Scrape mother boards Smartphones Laptops desktops	Accumulated at		\$100
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$1039.5</b>

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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!**



### THE OFFICIAL CONNECTION UBUNTU MERCH STORE

STOP NEW ITEMS ADDED

Visit our [Online Store](#)... we'd love to see you wearing our goods and Bonfire will donate a percentage of your purchase to us! **Check out our new tie dye and earth-friendly wearables!**



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

**DONATE NOW!**  
CLICK HERE

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."*

