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Please pop in during these times, Viv will be there to welcome you!

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Young people at Centre Marembo with Canadian volunteers from I¹AMIE. See *Centre Spotlight*.

Launch of UK volunteer programme

At rYico we have always received generous offers of time and skills from volunteers. In order to support them and work to our full potential we applied for a grant from *Awards for All* to recruit and retain volunteers. We were informed in May that we had been successful with the bid and are now in the process of developing the programme.

If you are interested in working as a volunteer for rYico, please contact Viv, our Volunteer Coordinator at viv@ryico.org or on 01273 234836 on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

Chillie's sponsored walk from Brighton to London



Chillie is 11 and lives with her family in Brighton. Since the age of 8 she has wanted to walk to London and later realised she could walk for charity.

Viv was in the office when the phone rang and on the phone was a young girl. The girl asked if she could speak to the person who runs rYico. Viv was surprised to be speaking to someone so young and asked if anyone knew about the call. The girl, Chillie, was with her mother who explained that Chillie wanted to raise money for rYico and she would like to find out more.

Viv invited Chillie to come to the rYico's office in Queens Road. When she met Chillie with her dad and brother, Viv learnt that Chillie was inspired to do the walk by *Oliver Twist*. We're all very grateful to Chillie for supporting rYico. Good luck Chillie from all of us at rYico!

If you would like to sponsor Chillie, please visit: <http://www.justgiving.com/chillie-p-niamh>

New UK board members

rYico has recently taken on three new board members. We're very excited to welcome Sue Ghimire, Leila Zadeh and Laura Craggs to the team as they bring a wealth of experience working in the voluntary and charity sector.

Centre Spotlight

Funding news

We are pleased to report that the Aall Foundation has decided to support rYico again this year. Their support makes a significant difference to our work and we are very grateful for their support.

We are also able to continue the Centre Marembo journal project this year, thanks to a further grant from [Bottletop](#)

The [Charlotte Wilson Memorial Fund](#) will also be funding Centre Marembo again this year, contributing to the costs of the Umugongo House project.

Many thanks to you all for your continued support!

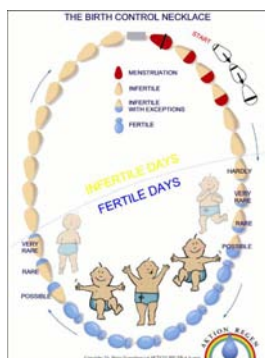
Solidarity between young people from Canada and Centre Marembo



The last few months have been a busy time for Centre Marembo. Ten young people from Canada are currently visiting and will be spending two months working alongside the Rwandan young people at the centre.

The project between Canadian organisation L'AMIE and Centre Marembo, aims to build solidarity between young people. Together, the volunteers and around 50 young people from Centre Marembo will work to deliver activities with an environmental focus beneficial to Centre Marembo and the local community. We managed to chat to one of the young people from Canada. [Click here to read the interview](#)

Beading group newsflash



Previous editions of this newsletter have provided updates on the progress of the [birth control necklace](#). The great news is that the first necklaces are now ready to buy in Rwanda!

Centre Marembo is the first centre in Rwanda to produce the accessory which will help to meet a common family planning need. The necklace is sold with clear instructions to ensure that they are used effectively.

For the last four months the Centre Marembo beading group produced and marketed the necklace. So far, in Rwanda 40 high schools, ten family planning centres and ten youth centres have expressed their interest and currently seeking funds to buy the necklaces.

If you're interested in finding out more, please email us info@ryico.org.

Centre Marembo registered as a national NGO in Rwanda

We are delighted that Centre Marembo recently received registration as an NGO in Rwanda. Previously the organisation was only registered locally. National registration gives us more eligibility to funding and support in Rwanda and will also raise our profile.

How you can help

Standing Orders and donations

Thank you to those of you that have set up a Standing Order this month! The best way of helping to support rYico is by setting up a regular donation by Standing Order as it helps us to plan for the future in a sustainable way. If you would like to set up a Standing Order, please complete the form below and return it to us at the address on the form. If you would like to find out more about how your donation would be spent, please visit our website: <http://www.ryico.org/supportus.html> or email us at info@ryico.org.

If you would prefer to make a single donation, you can do this in a variety of ways. Please click here to find out how you can donate.

Volunteering

If you would like to volunteer in the UK, please contact Viv at viv@ryico.org. We are currently only taking English-teaching volunteers at Centre Marembo.

If you have thoughts about other ways that you could support rYico, we'd love to hear from you! Please email us at info@ryico.org or call 01273 234836. Thank you!



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1. STANDING ORDER

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(date) & on the same day each month thereafter until counter demanded by me.

Name(s) of account holder(s):

Bank / Building Society account no:

Sort code:

Name & full address of your Bank or Building Society:

Signature:

Date:

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TO: Lloyds Bank plc, 171-173 North Street, Brighton, BN1 1GL
A/c name: rYico (UK) A/c no: 02352975 Sort code: 30-91-25

OR

2. DONATION

I would like to make a donation of £..... to rYico's work. (Cheques payable to RYICO)

Signature:

Date:

Do you pay tax? If yes then you can add over 25% to the value of your gifts to rYico at no extra cost to you. Simply tick and date the **Gift Aid** declaration below:

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I want rYico to treat this donation and any further donations, as Gift Aid donations until further notice.

Date: / /

Thank you for your support

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