

Nicky Steele

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Good morning Bim

I hope you are well and having a great week.

Thank you so much for processing your very kind donation of £4,000 to Build It International so promptly. I can now confirm it has landed in our bank.

Thanks to your support, and the fantastic fundraising done by our 11 cyclists, the team have raised a whopping £33,000 for Build It International, which will provide valuable skills training for 33 young men and women in Zambia, meaning they have a better chance of employment and the opportunity of breaking the poverty cycle for themselves and their families.

I attach a photo of a young woman, Beauty Musonda who completed our construction skills training at our Centre for Excellence at Lusaka. Before she joined Build It she was stuck in a poverty cycle as she had to drop out of school at an early age due to financial issues. She is married with 4 young children and found herself unable to provide for her family. Having completed a 6 month training course and work placement with us on a community school where she lives things changed and she managed to build a new house for her family!

Beauty said "With the skills I had, I did not have to pay people to build my house, I used the skill I got Build It and created a five roomed house with the help of my cousin, but I was also supervising his work well. That is how we moved to our own home. In addition to building the house, I managed to get some farming equipment that helped me start farming since we already had a farm. From the money I received from farm products, I managed to develop a new business idea, and now I have bought some material, and I want to build a bar. I managed to get all those things because of the skill and support I got from Build It. If not for Build It, I would not care to build a house for my family, and I would not be supporting my family."

This is just one example of how lives have changed for so many young people thanks to the support of people like you.

Thank you again for your very generous support.

Kind Regards

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