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Hi friends,

I recently had the lovely opportunity to meet with other Global Family team members from around the world at an All Teams Retreat at Global Family's St James Research Centre, in Falkirk, Scotland. As you know, this work is very challenging, so to be able to spend time with others who are working in the same field and hear about their successes and challenges was very cathartic for me.

I am so pleased to now share an update of Global Family Canada with you. Here's what your donation has allowed to happen.

Thank you!

Cathy Tollefson,
Executive Director



The Global Family Care Network team in Falkirk, Scotland.



A bedroom and kitchen in Lilac House.

Kathleen Van Engen.



LILAC HOUSE

We are pleased to announce that Kathleen Van Engen is moving into the part-time role of House Advisor for Lilac House- our safe and supported housing for vulnerable young women attending post-secondary school. We are working with Trent University to choose 5 young female students who, because of past or present trauma, would benefit greatly by this program. Our House Advisor will oversee the on and off-campus supports, as well as create individual wellness plans for each student. Our goal is to see the best possible outcomes for each resident. Your donation to Global Family makes this possible!

NEPAL UPDATE

Did you know that Global Family Canada supports young girls in Nepal? Since 2007 we have supported 9 vulnerable children with a home, foster mother, food, clothing and education.

Today we would like to highlight two of our girls Shoba & Santoshi. When their mother passed away, they were abandoned by their father and would have been sold into child prostitution. Because of your donation they have been cared for and have grown into beautiful young women. They recently completed a certificate in Early Childhood Development and are working towards a Bachelor's Degree in education.



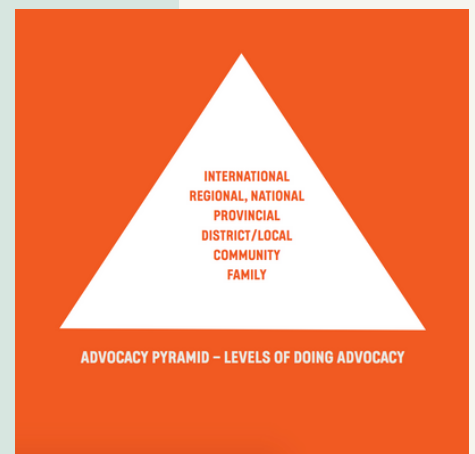
Shoba and Santoshi at their graduation.

ADVOCACY

A main focus for Global Family Canada this year is advocacy. GFC staff had the opportunity to attend advocacy training throughout April/May and learn from advocates who work with the UN and the International Justice Mission. We recognize that our child welfare system desperately needs improvement to give every child the chance at a better life, but how can we push for better policies, legislation and systemic change? By creating strong partnerships, and coordinating and collaborating with like-minded groups. We want to be able to not only shed light on systemic problems that put our children at risk, but recommend solutions and best practices to create action. One advocate put it best when she simply said, "Together Possible!". We hope you will join your voice with ours as we advocate for Canadian children.



Parliament buildings in Ottawa.



Advocacy Pyramid diagram.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW RESOURCE PAGE!

We've been busy curating a new Resource Page where people from all around the country can come to continue to educate themselves and others on child sexual exploitation. Our goal is to be a go-to hub where we all can continue our learning and share the knowledge with everyone around us, thus preventing these atrocities from happening in our communities.

Here you will find a variety of articles, videos, websites, downloadable materials, and so much more. This page is constantly being updated and added to, so make sure you check back often!

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