## Harambee

"Harambee" is a Swahili saying that means "let's pull together."

It encourages the citizens to work together locally to develop peace.

The Winnipeg Women's Resource Centre in Bor honours the thirty-three women that were massacred in December 2013.

We are working to cultivate a vision of peace and well-being in a country ripped apart by war.

According to the United Nations, South Sudan has the highest maternal mortality rate in the world.

The Winnipeg Women's Resource Centre in Bor will encourage women helping women to build new healthy communities.

We must harness the power of the Harambee spirit.



# Who We Are

We are refugee women from South Sudan living in Winnipeg. Along with our allies, we want to help women in South Sudan create the Winnipeg Women's Resource Centre in Bor, South Sudan.

We, South Sudanese Canadians and our concerned friends, have been devastated and emboldened by the latest round of violence.



We have committed ourselves to a build a centre to honour the thirty-three women who were massacred in St. Andrew's Anglican Church in Bor in December 2013 and to build peace in our communities.

We are turning the devastation and lack of voice into an opportunity for hope.

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Winnipeg Women's Resource Center in Bor

### Bor

Bor, South Sudan is one of the cities most devastated by the civil war.

Bor is also the hometown of members of the Emmanuel Mission Women's Group, many of whom still have deep ties to the women and children of Bor.

With the city destroyed by civil war, the residents of Bor are left on their own without safety, health or educational services.

We believe that empowering women is the heart of building peace.

The Winnipeg Women's Resource Centre in Bor will not only empower women, but will provide resources and opportunities that have been torn away by war.

South Sudan has tremendous natural and human resources that are central and critical to South Sudan and to the success of the Winnipeg Women's Resource Centre in Bor.



# **Three-Year Plan**

Establishing the Winnipeg Women's Resource Center in Bor will cost approximately \$100,000 from Canada, with increasing in-kind contributions from resources in Bor.

We will accomplish this through donations from individuals, parishes, church organizations, and through fundraising events.

### Year 1: Program Design & Initiation

The focus will be on teaching basic literacy skills, sewing skills, best practices for health, personal security and child development and the creation of circles of mutual support.

#### Year 2: Program Extension

Year one activities will be maintained and expanded into surrounding rural villages, food security initiatives will begin, and a well for the Centre will be built.

### Year 3: Continued Evolution and Stabilization

Maintain and extend programming initiatives and develop the organizational management capacity of the Centre for fiscal independence.

#### Beyond

The Centre will be self-sustaining through locally raised funds.

## **Our Goal**

Our goal is to create a Winnipeg Women's Resource Centre in Bor, South Sudan.

Our priorities include:

- literacy and training for women's empowerment, and financial independence;
- an elder circle for counselling to break the age old practice of silence and to foster mutual support;
- networks of support to meet basic needs such as food, child care, health and peace building;
- early childhood development awareness.

Emmanuel Mission Women's Group and their allies will raise \$100,000 over three years to establish the Women's Resource Centre.

Donors will receive charitable tax receipts from St.Matthew's Anglican Church (641 St.Matthews Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3G 0G6).

Donations will be administered by the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) 1 ca Church or Canada's agency for sustainable development, relief, refugees, and global justice.