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## Halifax Impact Report 2018

Water is essential for children's survival and development. Without safe water, children's lives are at risk and they are unable to thrive in a healthy and hygienic environment. Today, millions of children around the world lack access to safe drinking water. Since 2011, the annual Chefs for UNICEF Water for Life Gala in Halifax has been supporting UNICEF's global Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) programs. These programs help realize the rights of children by delivering safe water and sanitation, and by improving the hygiene practices for some of the world's hardest to reach children and their families. Thank you for supporting these life-changing initiatives that are benefiting thousands of children, families, schools and communities. Your contribution will help us achieve Sustainable Development Goal 6, providing safe drinking water and adequate sanitation and hygiene for all.



**UN** daunted

As part of UNICEF Canada's UNdaunted campaign, your contribution is reaching 210,000 girls by equipping 40 schools with boreholes, water systems and safe, gender-segregated and disability-friendly latrines. In 550 schools, students and staff are being trained in menstrual hygiene management and student clubs are being established to foster gender-responsive approaches to health. Your support is helping to enhance girls' education in Uganda.

#### 2018 Gala

In 2018, \$287,000 was raised at the Chefs for UNICEF Water for Life Gala in Halifax for Uganda. UNICEF is laying the groundwork to improve WASH facilities for students. Schools have been identified for support with construction of water, sanitation and hygiene facilities and upgrading of boreholes to solar water pumping systems. The selection process was based on factors like the presence of a reliable water source, high student enrolment and the condition of existing latrines.

#### 2017 Gala

In 2017, the Chefs for UNICEF Water for Life Gala in Halifax raised \$268,000 to support WASH infrastructure in schools in the West Nile region of Uganda. Girls face a number of challenges at school in this part of the country as they transition into adolescence. A lack of appropriate toilets, washing facilities and clean water affects girls, particularly during menstruation, and can lead to school dropout.

### 2016 Gala

In 2016, the Chefs for UNICEF Water for Life Gala in Halifax raised \$224,000 that helped reach some of the hardest to reach children and families across both Chad and Mongolia. In Chad, your support helped improve health and living conditions for more than 5,800 people living in 10 remote villages. Through



the construction of boreholes, water pumps and latrine blocks in schools and health centres, you helped provide clean, safe drinking water and improve sanitation for the most vulnerable children and their families.

In Mongolia, your support improved water resilience for more than 60,000 people, including 20,000 children in rural areas. Through the creation of community-based Water Safety Plans and by providing education on water treatment methods and safe storage in the home, your generosity helped ensure the ongoing supply of safe drinking water and improved water quality for the hardest to reach in Mongolia.