



Sustainable Aid:

Learn about a charity based in Belfast that helps people on the other side of the world (in Tanzania and Malawi)! What does Tools For Solidarity do? How are tools and sewing machines useful?



Tools For Solidarity: Why Tools?

Tools For Solidarity sends tools and sewing machines to our partner organisations in Tanzania and Malawi. The tools and machines sent from Belfast are much better quality than those available to buy in Africa. See the journey of tools / sewing machines in the pictures below.

On the next page you can find out how a sewing machine sent from Belfast has made a difference to the life of a tailor in Tanzania called Rachel.

Reflect: *Why do you think Tools For Solidarity sends tools and sewing machines and not money? What can we achieve with tools? Find out more on the next page.*

1. We collect / receive donations from people throughout Ireland



2. Sorting tools into the right categories in our workshops



3. Refurbishing and cleaning



4. Filling the container before sending



5. Container arrives in Tanzania



6. Artisan / tailor with the new machine / tools





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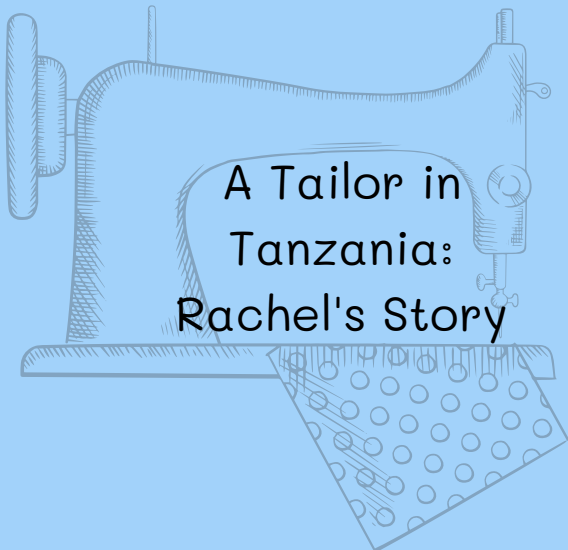
Did you think about why TFS send tools and sewing machines instead of money?

Tools and sewing machines allow people to start or improve their businesses. They can therefore increase their income, which also benefits their families. The problem with sending money is that once it is spent there is no more. Artisans need affordable, high quality tools and machines. These are not widely available in sub-Saharan Africa. Either they are low quality or very expensive. Tools and sewing machines sent from Belfast are durable, meaning they will benefit the artisans for a long time.



What do we need tools for?

Try and think of as many answers as you can (then check the bottom of the page).



Tools For Solidarity sends sewing machines to the Mwanza Sewing and Training Centre (MSTC) in the Lake Zone of Tanzania.

Rachel bought her sewing machine there in 2019. She also received training from MSTC. She found the business training very useful as she can now calculate how many uniforms she can make with 1 roll of material and what profit she will make. Aside from the training, the good quality sewing machine has been very beneficial.

Rachel's income has gone up from 90, 000 Tanzanian shillings (TSh) to 150, 000 TSh per month. She wishes to open a tailoring shop in the future and hopes that MSTC will continue to support people with disabilities.



1. In which zone of Tanzania is the Mwanza region?

2. How much has Rachel's income increased by?

3. What does Rachel hope to do in the future?

make and repair clothes and shoes; build houses, schools and hospitals; plant and harvest food; build and repair cars, other road vehicles and bicycles; manufacture household items such as cookers, pots, pans and buckets; make furniture; plumb houses and provide water supplies; make tools



Do you Know these Tools?

Connect the images with their definitions by writing the correct letter. Check your answers at the bottom!



a) Pliers



b) G-clamp



c) Spanner



d) Saw



e) Screwdriver



f) Chisel



g) Plane



h) Hammer

- 1) I'm used to hit nails in. ____
- 2) I can chip and cut into wood. ____
- 3) I insert and remove screws. ____
- 4) I can cut wire. I can also help to grip something. ____

- 5) I hold objects firmly together and keep them steady. ____
- 6) I make a smooth surface on wood. I'm a ____
- 7) People use me to cut wood. ____
- 8) I help to tighten / loosen nuts and bolts. ____

Answers

1) h	4) a
2) f	5) e
3) c	6) g
4) b	7) d
	8) c



Words can go up or down, backwards, forwards or diagonally!

A word search puzzle grid is centered on a white background. The grid is a 15x15 square of letters. Surrounding the grid are various tools and objects in a light gray, stylized font. On the left side, there is a wrench, a hammer, a saw, a pair of pliers, a hex nut, and a screwdriver. On the right side, there is a wrench, a hammer, a saw, a pair of pliers, a hex nut, and a screwdriver. The tools are arranged in a circular pattern around the grid.

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What we use them on:

SCREWDRIVER
CHISEL
PLANE
HAMMER

NUTS
BOLTS
NAILS
SCREWS