



UTI Charitable Foundation
 "Delivering Better Lives"


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"You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us. And the world will live as one."

John Lennon

Sharing the *DBL* Message in the USA

I recently had the opportunity to visit the USA and speak to UTi teams in Dallas, Chicago, Los Angeles and Portland. This was the first time I have had the opportunity to speak with people in the Contract Logistics organization, and the first time in some years that I had visited and spoken to UTi team members in the US. The trip reinforced the importance of visiting global UTi sites to share and provide a better opportunity to embrace the work of *DBL*, and gain the pleasure we all deserve from helping people everywhere that UTi does business.

Across the five locations visited, and during 14 presentations, we were able to share the *DBL* story and the impact it has on the lives of hundreds of thousands of people. The compassion of our team members and their desire to help in many ways was not only very humbling but demonstrated once again that we have a passionate team who want to make a difference in the lives of those in need.

I wish I had done this trip sooner and had the opportunity to visit many more UTi offices. The trip also reinforced the importance of speaking face-to-face with our teams to share our message. I have committed to get to as many UTi offices as I can but realize it is simply not possible to get to all offices and so must rely on newsletters, posters, etc.

Please take the time to read our communications, visit the *DBL* website, and become friends with *DBL* on Facebook. This will allow you to share the joys of our work with others and in turn allow us to increase the support we receive to continue our work.

Sincerely,
 Glenn Mills

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DBL Support from UTi Team Members

The work of *DBL* is not only possible through the financial support of UTi, who provides project funds and covers the administration costs of the Foundation, but also largely due to the support of the global UTi team. In many Countries within the UTi organization, we have in place a program that enables team members to make regular donations to *DBL* through payroll contributions.

This program has become increasingly important to *DBL* and we want to take the opportunity to thank the many team members who utilize payroll contributions to sponsor *DBL* each pay period. Without this



support, we would not be able to undertake the work that we do and could not deliver as many better lives as we do. These funds not only allow us to do more work, but reinforce the passion for making a difference and support for the foundation that the people of UTi have.

If you would like to find out more about the UTi Payroll Contribution program as well as take advantage of it, please visit the *DBL* page on myUTi to see if the program is available in your country.



DBL Returns to Colombia

Maria Immaculata School & Shelter in Anapoima, Colombia is one of *Delivering Better Lives* newest projects and recommended by **Eduardo Vargas** and the UTi Bogota team. The school is located approximately one hour from the capital city of Bogota and was established ten years ago by a family who identified a need to help those in the community. The facility houses an educational center and shelter for children and young adults who cannot function in mainstream schooling or who have been abandoned, neglected or come from impoverished backgrounds.

While the center is approved by the government, they receive no funding and rely purely on donations. The strong and passionate management team at the center has developed an educational model to help the students learn English and gain full-time employment upon completion of their schooling.

DBL will provide fencing and security for the center as well as construct an outdoor meeting area and kitchen. We are also considering the purchase of a plot of adjoining land that would allow the center to expand its services.

“It’s the children the world almost breaks who grow up to save it.”

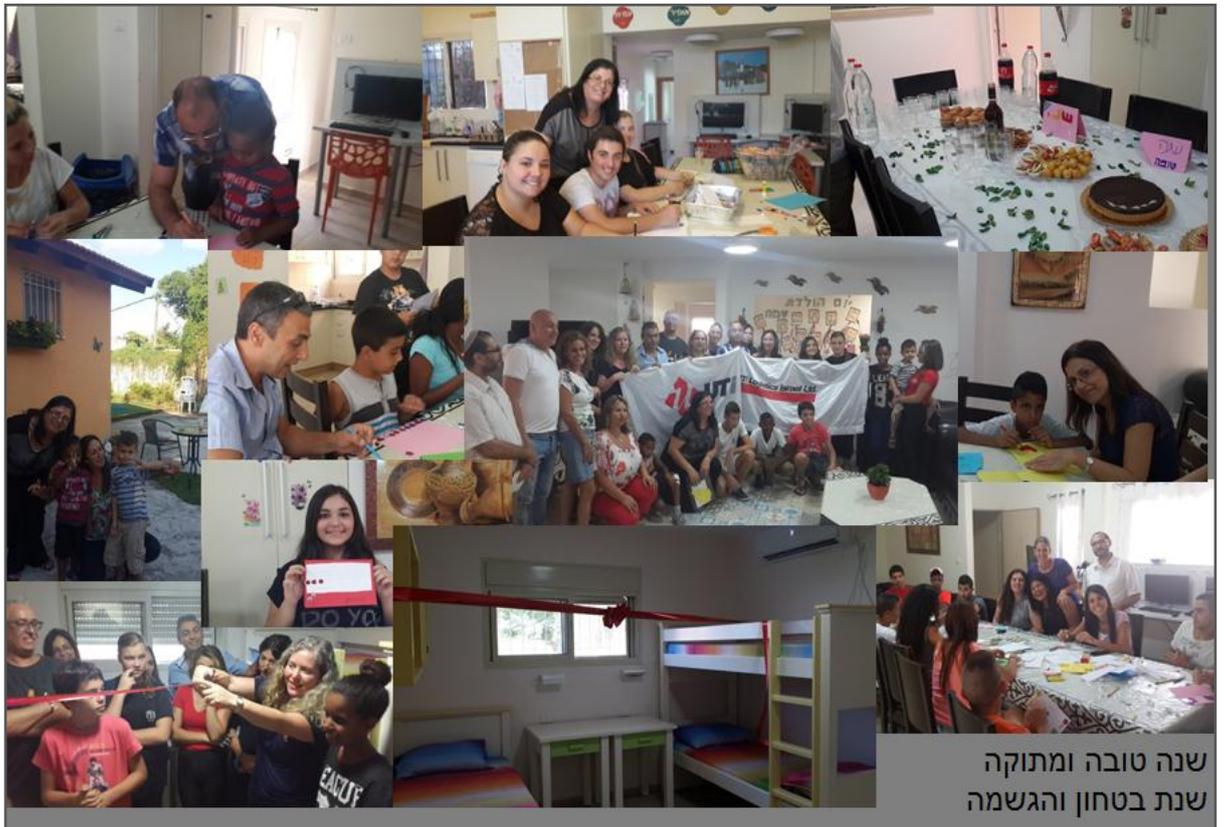
Frank Warren

Rosh Hashanah Celebrations

On Thursday, 18 of September, UTi Israel team members and the children of Neve Galim joined to celebrate Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, by preparing greetings and gathering for a celebratory feast.

DBL is working with Neve Galim to provide new furnishings to the facility, which currently is home to around 60 children. A special ceremony for the newly furnished rooms was also held during the celebration.

Thank you to all the UTi Israel team members who took part in this event and also to all who contributed toys, clothes, bags and books for the children.



שנה טובה ומתוקה
שנת בטחון והגשמה

Taking the Ice Bucket Challenge for *DBL*

Recently the UTi APAC SLT team gathered in Manila, Philippines to learn more about and support the work of **Delivering Better Lives**. The team had the opportunity to visit the Mangahhan Village projects to see the Kindergarten and education and literacy programs, as well as the construction projects **DBL** supports firsthand.

The work the team observed inspired them to take on the “Ice Bucket Challenge” to raise funds for **DBL**. Luckily the Philippines is a warm climate as the photos convey a very chilly challenge. **DBL** would like to give a big thank you to the UTi Manila team who raised approximately USD 2,200 during the event. We also send special thanks and “warmest” regards to UTi Philippines Country Manager **Kitty Teo** and UTi Asia Pacific President **Ditlev Blicher** for taking a very cold dousing for the team. An interesting twist on this effort was that two UTi clients, **Fortune de Chavez**, Procurement Manager of Pfizer and **Asanga Halangoda**, Country Manager of Merck had the honor of tipping the buckets on Ditlev and Kitty. We are sure they enjoyed that little moment!

“It’s amazing how a little tomorrow can make up for a whole lot of yesterday.”

John Guare



2012 *DBL* Project Shows Positive Impact

Alice Ng, UTi Human Resource Manager in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia recently paid a visit to the Ampang Girls Shelter in Selangor, Malaysia to see how the shelter benefited from work **DBL** undertook there in 2012. The shelter is run by the Sisters of the Good Shepherd to provide care and accommodation to young women who have been abused or are at risk of abuse. **DBL** funded and managed building renovations that ensure a caring and comfortable place to live for the young people who so desperately need support.

The new shelter not only provides the girls with refuge and safety, but also opportunities to gain an education and develop in a protected environment.



Alice was pleased to report that many of the girls helped by the **DBL** project have now graduated high school and are living a healthy and happy life. One girl, whose story highlights the importance of the work **DBL** undertakes, not only graduated from high school but is continuing studies to obtain a Diploma in Physiotherapy.

Currently, there are 13 happy smiling girls staying at the shelter whose futures look as bright as the young girl with a future in physiotherapy.

UTi Mexico Continues *DBL* Support for Casa Hogar Tepeyac

Mari Corona, UTi Branch Manager of Guadalajara, organized a collection of funds to ensure the girls of Casa Hogar Tepeyac had the necessary items to undertake their education. The items included notebooks, pencils, coloring pencils, books, etc. The cost of supplying the children with these necessary tools was merely USD 70, or for some of us a new pair of shoes! As **Gilberto Rivera**, UTi Vice President of Area Sales for Latina America said "Sometimes we don't need to wait for a Walkathon or donate a big amount of money to make a difference in the life of others."

"You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give."

Khalil Gibran

Subsequent to this visit **Hessel Verhage**, UTi President for the Americas Region (pictured below left) and **Jim Rinchiuso**, UTi Americas VP of Ocean Services (pictured right) joined **Gilberto Rivera** (center) on a trip to Casa Hogar Tepeyac and as can be seen from this photographs had an amazing experience with the children. In a message regarding their trip Hessel stated:



"Truly one of the most powerful moments of my life, these little girls just craved human touch and were literally standing in line to be hugged. Amazing experience I literally laughed and cried in the same hour."

This statement proves that **Delivering Better Lives** is not only about money but about giving of ourselves and letting others know that there are people who care and have the time for them. I strongly recommend to anyone who can, to visit a local UTi project and share the joy we all get from helping others.

Madre Carmelita and the children of the orphanage send their thanks to the employees of UTi for the difference their help will make. Thank you to the entire UTi team for their support of this project and to the UTi Mexico team members for their continued efforts.



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Everyone on this planet has a right to a roof over their head food in their stomach an education and basic healthcare



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"Thank you to everyone who contributed to this edition of the Delivering Better Lives newsletter"

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