

Everybody, all over the world,  
has the right to good eyesight.



**The month of May was International Service Project  
(ISP) month...  
and what a happy start to the month we had!**

This is Veerle's report on the **first ISP mission in Morocco**,  
with the Agora members of AC 1 Casablanca from 25<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2016.





***That is what our ISP is all about!***

What a team our ladies from AC 1 Casablanca are! Everything was so well prepared, pre-screenings done, posters up and even personalised T-shirts and caps ready :

During this week we visited 4 schools in the poor quarters of Casablanca, where we saw a total of about 400 children - after pre-screening by the government of Education and public Health of about 1500 children in the previous weeks.

Technicians of these governmental departments were always on site with us to help with further screenings and even a lovely doctor ophtamologist from Ladies'Circle 1 Casablanca Dr.Mona Zaki was extremely kind to offer her services. **Such wonderful Side-by-Side!**



-  Imagine getting to know wonderful women with a limitless drive to help children in their country to a better future
-  Imagine getting kisses of many many children who just received the gift of sight.
-  Imagine realising that good sight shouldn't be a priviledge but a right.
-  Imagine knowing for certain that the future of 205 children has suddenly been altered, merely with a gift of 20€.



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## SCHOOLS & CHILDREN

The schools in the poor neighbourhoods of Casablanca do not have the modern facilities we are used to in European schools, but they were all clean with a friendly staff and extremely well behaved and polite children.

It was clear though, that these children did not have a proper follow-up in health-nor eyecare, so the help offered by our AC Casablanca ladies, came as a true gift from heaven.

## HELP ON ITS WAY

During this week no less than 250 children proved to be in desperate need of spectacles. They could hardly see the blackboard, let alone move safely in the streets and their surroundings.

We will never forget the very insecure and silent little girl of about 8 years old, with -8 dioptre at both eyes. The moment the EFTW spectacles were put on, is a moment that touched us all to the very core : the surprise and bewilderment followed by that beaming smile is a moment that is etched in our hearts and minds forever.

An important **spin-off of these screenings** is that more serious eyeproblems are detected. A few of the screened children will be sent to the eyeclinic for surgery.

The eyes of 16 children were in such a bad state (even up to -24 dioptre!) that even the spectacles of EFTW were not sufficient and were in need of more specialised prescription glasses. These glasses will be made in Belgium and will be sent to these children as soon as they are ready.



## OFFICIAL CEREMONY

On Saturday, our Agora members organised an wonderful and fun partyday for the children, which ended in an official ceremony as closure of an amazing week.

Contrary to private schools in and around Casablanca, the children in these poor schools had never had a party at their schools...and that is just what our Agora ladies gave them! A clown, jumpcastle and professional entertainers made sure the kids laughed, danced and sang. What an unforgettable party for them!



## THANK YOU

THANK YOU dear HANANE, FATIMA, NARJISSE, KARIMA, MARTINE, LAMIA, members of AC 1 Casablanca for your dedication to this project! Your organisation will be set as an example for the next projects.

THANK YOU Fatima Maher and Souad Benjelloun for your generous homeshosting!



Dear friends, with our ISP we made such an important difference in these children's lives. We hope that this reports will motivate you even more to support this exceptional project.

Your kind donations for our projects in AC Morocco, AC Madagascar and AC Botswana are still very needed.

The next mission will be in September 2016 in Botswana!

Thank you for organising your events

Thank you for your commitment and dedication for YOUR INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROJECT ☺



If you would like to show a presentation in your Club, please click on the following link, or download from our ACI website.

<http://agoraclubinternational.com/organisation/ISP/Eyes-ft-World/Report-on-the-ACI-International-Service-project.mp4>

# EFTW Agora Club Amarula SA



We visited Tshiitwa Secondary School, in Mashamba village where we screened 136 Learners. Once again a very successful day screening and handing out spectacles to those who needed. Thank-you to Sanrie our wonderful optician friend for being there for us and the children and for her support and love. To Agora Club Amarula - you are stars!!! EFTW ISP is going strong in South Africa!



We are still working with the specs we received from the Belgium AC Lokeren and SA Amarula Club project.

The successful teamwork between Agora Club Lokeren Belgium who fundraised for EFTW in 2015 and Agora Club Amarula who used these spectacles through out the year continues with spectacles that we have in stock. In honour of the EFTW AGORA ISP, Agora club Amarula visited Tshiitwa Secondary School on 10 May 2016, where we screened 135 learners. Sanrie our angle optician friend and her assistant Patrick from Specsavers, joined us and through this project 12 Learners received focus specs on site, 15 have been diagnosed with astigmatism and 1 with keratosis. These children were issued with prescription spectacles. We were able to help 3 children with serious eye infections by providing them with the medication and ointments.

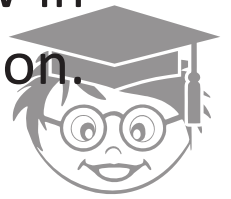


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AC Botswana is next and from 12-14 September EFTW will be in Botswana.

These ladies are planning their school visits and await Koen and EFTW in anticipation.



A HUGE  
THANK-YOU to  
AC Madacagar,  
They have  
ALREADY  
identified schools  
and children  
that need YOUR  
HELP - The EFTW  
team will be in  
MADAGASCAR in  
Feb 2017.



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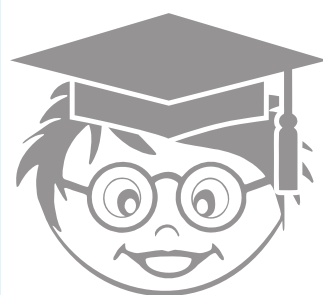
# Funds raised so far...

*THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING CLUBS  
AND INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE DONATED  
OR RAISED FUNDS FOR OUR ISP!*

15 000	750
14 500	725
14 000	700
13 500	675
13 000	650
12 500	625
12 000	600
11 500	575
11 000	550
10 500	525
10 000	500
9 500	475
9 000	450
8 500	425
8 000	400
7 500	375
7 000	350
6 500	325
6 000	300
5 500	275
5 000	250
4 500	225
4 000	200
3 500	175
3 000	150
2 500	125
2 000	100
1 500	75
1 000	50
500	25

20€ = 

Agora Club Belgium  
Agora Club Venlo  
ACI contribution  
Agora Club Southend  
Agora Club Chaudfontaine  
ACT Club Germany  
Agora Club USA  
Agora Club Malta  
Capitation fees past dues Israel  
(allocated to EFTW by the Board)  
Agora Club Romania AC2  
Debbie Cote



**TOTAL  
RAISED  
€7 155**



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