## HIS WHEELS INTERNATIONAL



## Bikes & Hand-Pedaled Trikes

Thank you for your generous gift to help HWI enter into its eleventh year of ministry.

In January Matt, an instructor at MIT's D-Lab took a team of students along with our trike and another to do testing in Jakarta, Indonesia.

After the MIT team performed the trike testing, Marwan, a teenager with an advanced stage of muscular dystrophy received the trike. Matt wrote, "He may not honestly live long enough to wear this one out, but in the meantime he loves it. He's a heavy user. He demolished the trike (another make) that he presently has. Marwan appreciates that the HWI trike is easier to propel than his broken down trike." Accept Marwan's thanks for mobility. Hopefully Wheels for Humanity branch off United Cerebral Palsy in Jakarta will be able to keep track of the ongoing wear Marwan puts on the trike and we hope this leads to some constructive feedback for us.

Below are some of the things HWI has been working on.

Over the last four months one of the things we have worked on jointly among our University Consortium is some Best Practices for trike designing and testing.

On January 13, 2016 NOWPDP, an organization serving the disabled in Pakistan launched an Accessible Cycle Design Challenge throughout Pakistan. The challenge takes place between March and May. You can see the video charge I delivered, put together by David Hewaldt, a talented College of DuPage filming student. Click the link to view the video. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wjc1LaRQNCw&feature=youtu.be.

Sometime after the three month Accessible Cycle Design Challenge is complete Alice Teisan will be one of the twelve on an international panel that will virtually judge the designs. You can learn more about the challenge by clicking on the link: <a href="http://www.nowpdp.org/acdc\_2016/">http://www.nowpdp.org/acdc\_2016/</a>.

We are also talking with Basic Utility Vehicle, a not-for-profit in Indianapolis about possibly sending two trikes to Arusha, Tanzania via a container they are sending in May 2016.

Kevin is working hard to complete the last seven trikes we have. It looks like within the next year we will need to ramp up for our fourth production run of trikes.

Hopefully today David Hewaldt will be delivering a new and completed video that showcases the Chicago Unconventional Bike Expo (CUBE) where we exhibited in October. When the video is complete you can find it on our website at https://hiswheels.org/blog

Thanks for your ongoing part in the work of His Wheels International. This letter may have errors as my forte is not grammar. However I wanted to get you information about what we are doing and also get your end of the year financial statement out in time.

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