

# Malawi Trip 2018

By Hannah Harrison

To put it simply, the grant allowed me to have the best three weeks of my life! I had the most amazing time in Malawi and the trip inspired me to want to help other and to definitely take a gap year to try and travel more in Africa and then in Asia and work with orphanages and other such groups to try and help make a difference.

The grant and therefore the trip has also made me feel so grateful for everything I have and it reminded me how lucky I am to have even the smallest of things. It also helped me as a person and I feel like it really helped my anxiety and I was able to interact with children and babies as well and teenagers and adults in unfortunate circumstances and hopefully I was able to help them make small but positive changes in their lives.



As part of this I helped build a 'gowelo' (house) for a teenager leaving home and moving on and I also did some English teaching in a school within the orphanage that we stayed at. I also feel like I'm now more independent and have gained very important life skills including bartering and budgeting successfully, and a new and better mind-set that I don't think I would have gained elsewhere.

Thank you all so much for the grant allowing me to go on the trip as without

the grant I would not have been able to go but thanks to the grant, my fundraising events and my savings I was able to go.

Thank you again.

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