

WOLFSON COLLEGE ANNUAL APPEAL

AMREF Health Africa is Africa's leading health development charity, and Wolfson has been proudly supporting AMREF since the late 1970s. Close to £150,000 has been raised since then by students, fellows, staff, and members of common room through this annual appeal and from fund-raising activities held throughout the year.

AMREF is a truly African organisation, with a Nairobi HQ. It began life in 1957 as the 'Flying Doctors', and it continues to serve the most remote areas, while operating widely in Eastern and Southern Africa. It works with communities to develop sustainable health solutions. As well as basic healthcare and emergency services, it provides essential support in areas such as maternal health; sexual and reproductive health and rights; water; sanitation; and hygiene.

Since 1995 College has funded the annual Wolfson-AMREF Bursary. In 2016 the Bursary was raised to £3,000 pa to mark Wolfson's 50th Anniversary. Over the years the money has assisted many students taking AMREF's flagship Diploma in Community Health, a course that has proved invaluable to community health workers. We often get progress updates and letters of appreciation from Bursary recipients.

In addition to the Bursary, each year College has supported specific projects suggested by AMREF: details can be found on the Wolfson website. In 2019, Wolfson donated £4,800 to AMREF's UK Aid Match campaign, **Health in Her Hands**, meaning our donation was matched by the UK Government. Launched on International Women's Day, Health in Her Hands sought to provide a UK platform for frontline health workers - nurses, midwives, community volunteers, and activists - from across sub-Saharan Africa, and to demonstrate the far-reaching impact of training. By showcasing examples of community-led change, the campaign also aimed to contribute to changing public perceptions of Africa and of international development. This year AMREF UK will be discussing with the Wolfson AMREF Group new projects which could be considered for our support.

AMREF is not the most well-known charity in the UK, but thanks to its practical, community-based approach, and its focus on cost-effective sustainability, it is as recognisable in Africa as Oxfam is in Oxford!

PLEASE SUPPORT COLLEGE'S FUNDRAISING EFFORTS FOR AMREF TO THOSE WHO ALREADY SUBSCRIBE – MANY THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUING COMMITMENT

You can give a single donation or a fixed sum each term, through battels. The Wolfson AMREF Group meets each term

on Tuesday of Week 1. We welcome new members: please contact Mark Pottle (mark.pottle@wolfson.ox.ac.uk). The Wolfson AMREF Group, November 2019 I, [full name in block capitals] wish to contribute to AMREF £25 or £_____ PER TERM FOR EACH OF THE 3 TERMS £10 £15 £20 [circle] £5 during the academic year 2019-2020 OR the SINGLE SUM of £_____ and I authorise the College to battel me accordingly. If you wish for this donation to be renewed annually, until further notice, please tick this box. SIGNED DATE BATTELS No: If appropriate, I also want this and any future donation to be a Gift Aid Donation enabling AMREF to reclaim tax thereon. To qualify for Gift Aid, you must pay an amount of income or capital gains tax in the UK equal to the amount AMREF may reclaim on your donation. Please tick the box to use Gift Aid and give your HOME address including postcode below: **Home Address**

PLEASE HAND IN THIS SLIP AT THE LODGE for the attention of Alex Messenger in the Accounts Office. If you wish to contribute, <u>but not through battels</u>, please send your remittance to Alex Messenger. Cheques should be made payable to Wolfson College, with AMREF marked on the back. THANK YOU.