

25 June 2024

Ms Orla O'Dowd
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Dear Ms O'Dowd,

The weight of water is a terrible burden to bear. But this Lent your caring and compassion are helping lift that weight from loving families like Malita's. **Thank you.**

Thank you for the pipes and taps that will soon save backbreaking labour and countless hours hauling water that's unsafe to drink. Thank you for solar-powered water systems and deep, sustainable boreholes that bring clean water to hardworking communities struggling with poverty and climate shocks.

Thank you for agroecology training, and help keeping children like Malita's beloved twins, Patrick and Patricia, in school. Thank you for emergency food baskets, and climate-hardy seeds in farmer-run seed banks, with simple drip irrigation systems to nurture every sprout.

Lasting change will take time. But in every drop of water that flows, the kindness, help, and love held in your amazing gift of **£3835** to Trócaire this Lent, will stand together beside families like Malita's – and our local partners in 16 countries – to build a more resilient tomorrow and a better, more just world.

Thank you, Ms O'Dowd, and the pupils of St Francis' Primary School for your steadfast heart for humanity.

With all my gratitude,



Caoimhe de Barra
CEO, Trócaire