

# 2014

2014 saw us deliver a full dental set, recycled and installed in school in the Nisporeni area of Moldova and two specialised chairs donated to the Oncological Hospital to help the children who were undergoing chemotherapy. A total of 30 beds were donated to the trauma hospital in Chisinau. Specialised wheelchairs and other special equipment were donated to the Tony Hawks Centre for children with cerebral palsy in Chisinau – with whom we have created a long-standing and proud partnership.



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## Here are a few examples of the impact made in 2014

“Could you bring some clothes?” I was asked one day in 2013 by a mayor in a village in the Riscani district. “We have this family with seven children and they cannot go to school every day and need to swap the clothes and shoes.” This message was a wake-up call for us. At first, we thought it was very unfair, as our aim was to bring medical aid to change conditions in hospitals.

“It was hard to keep the inmates engaged,” a workshop supervisor told us, but since MAD-Aid started taking wheelchairs and showing the impact those with refurbished wheelchairs are making, it’s hard to take them out of the workshop. This kind of work was a WIN-WIN-WIN situation. The prisoners got much-needed rehabilitation work, the wheelchairs were saved from landfill and the children and adults who had never had a wheelchair received one, which gave them freedom and the chance to breathe fresh air.

The highlight of the year was helping little Delia, who desperately needed a specialised wheelchair, oxygen concentrator and nebuliser. Delia’s parents had a non-stop job looking after her and they were doing an amazing job, but unfortunately Delia passed away a few years later. ”