

Pensioner organised coffee morning in aid of Hope Spring

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Hazel McCall, a member of the Hereford and district branch of Soroptimist International, recently organised a coffee morning and a raffle, to raise money for Hereford based water poverty alleviation charity, Hope Spring.

The 87-year-old was inspired to organise the fundraiser, after hearing Hope Spring trustees Peter Dowsett and <u>Temi Odurinde</u> speak about the work their organisation is doing to help alleviate water poverty in disadvantaged communities in West Africa. She was particularly impressed with the menstrual hygiene workshops, and other period poverty alleviating outreach projects.

Presenting a ceremonial cheque for £200 to Peter Dowsett, Hazel McCall said "it is not much, but I hope it helps you to do more good work in Africa". Accepting the cheque, Peter Dowsett thanked Ms McCall on behalf of his organisation, and said "every penny of this donation will be used to alleviate poverty. One of the unique things about Hope Spring water, is that we are volunteer run organisation, we do not pay salaries. so all donations are spent on implementing projects".

Peter Dowsett went on to urge others to follow the good example set by Hazel McCall, by fundraising to support his organisation. He referred would be fundraisers to Hope Spring <u>fundraising</u> ideas page.

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