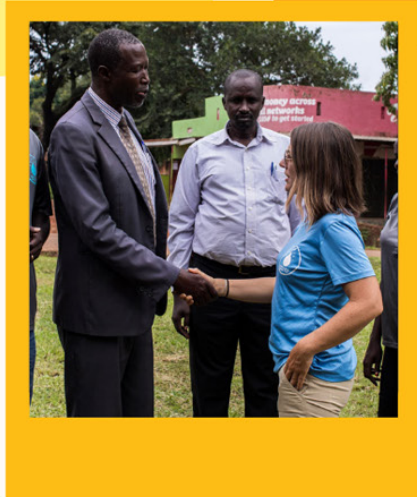


# ENGAGEMENT



# EDUCATION

# EQUITY

WHEN YOU SUPPORT DLDT,  
YOU SUPPORT WATER EQUITY.





Drink Local Drink Tap is a unique environmental and humanitarian organization founded with passion by Erin Huber in 2010. Seeing gaps in water equity and stewardship, she started DLDT with a group of concerned volunteers wanting to make change. And now Drink Local Drink Tap is a global team working to change the world.

Creating a world where everyone has access to safe, clean, sustainable water.

**OUR  
VISION:**

**OUR  
MISSION:**

We improve water equity through projects, programming and partnerships because clean water is a human right.

**TO ACHIEVE OUR MISSION –  
WE EDUCATE LOCALLY. WE DRIVE WATER EQUITY. WE ENGAGE.**

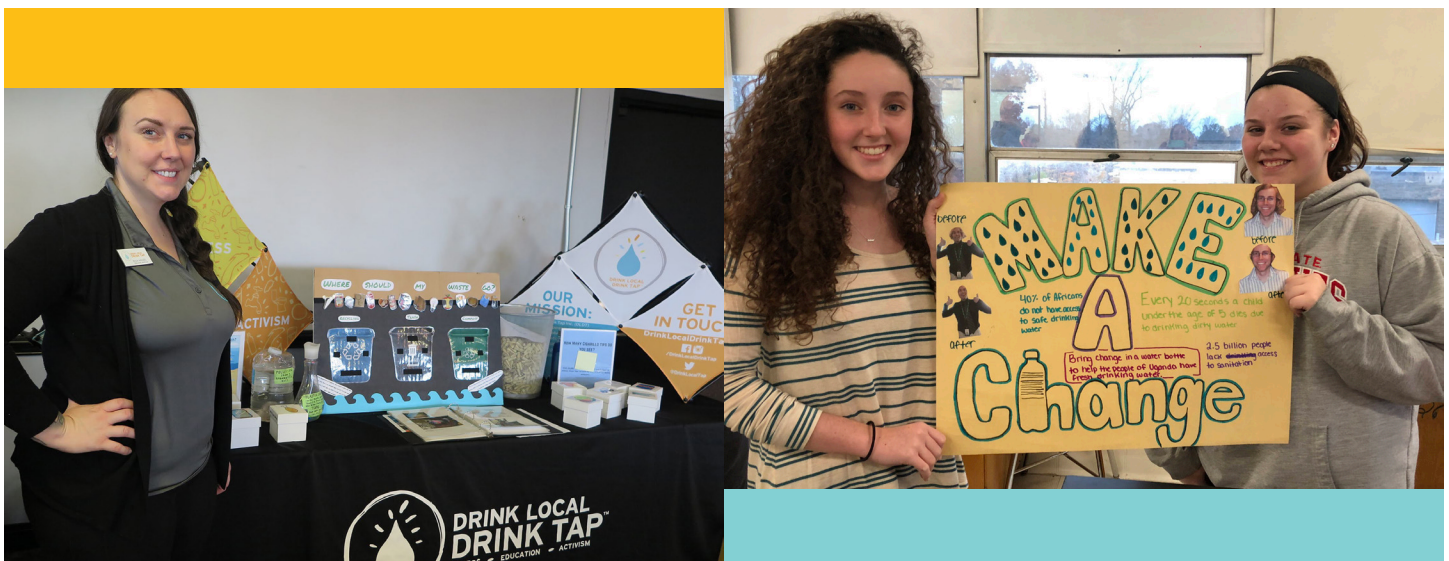
Our volunteers, funding partners and team are our core strength, as well as our people-centered approach to learning, being change agents and in our international development model. Better public and environmental health require change at every level of our lives, and DLDT exists to inspire individual improvement as well as larger societal shifts. Equitable water and sanitation is critical to all life on earth, and we are working to realize the human right to water and sanitation (SDG 6) by 2030.

# WE EDUCATE LOCALLY

Our U.S.-based **Wavemaker Program** builds water awareness with 4th to 8th graders through multimedia, in class or virtual curriculum.

- **15,000+** youth have experienced our Wavemaker Program in person with our educators
- **NEW** Curriculum connected to STEM is launching late 2020
- **NEW** Action Kits are launching in 2021 for youth, educators and the public
- We've produced three documentaries
- Hundreds of speaking engagements and community events

The Wavemaker Program was originally created to better support teachers in their environmental, science and service learning. Now, it's evolved into STEM-connected lesson plans, working with DLDT educators virtually or in the classroom all while evolving the action-based side of the program to better serve young people who want to change the world.





# WE ENGAGE

Our partners and supporters invest their time, efforts, expertise and offer financial support to help protect what we have and ensure no one goes thirsty.



**Did you know that half of the plastic ever made has been created in the last 15 years? This is a big problem and our ‘why’ to how we got started.**

Headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, USA, we sit on 20% of the world’s fresh surface water. Understanding the true value of this resource means protecting it. Through school community outreach and engagement, we aim to reconnect people with their ‘everyday’ water and realize the responsibility to protect it. An easy step in protecting and valuing water is through reducing our waste, especially plastics, and through conservation.

Not only does our community engagement overlap into education and action surrounding pollution, but it also has inspired tens of thousands of people to support clean water projects for people in need, who don’t have the water access we do.

- **11,000+** pounds of trash have been cleaned up at Edgewater Beach

- **15,000+** hours have been donated to DLDT by volunteers

- **Thousands of people** now have clean water and sanitation because of generous youth, schools, families and companies who recognize the human right to water after engaging with DLDT

# WE DRIVE WATER EQUITY

Locally we advocate for clean, safe, affordable drinking water and sanitation services. In Uganda, our credibility lies with our team owning sustainable WASH projects from conception to execution.

Water equity occurs when all communities have access to safe, clean, affordable drinking water and wastewater services; are resilient in the face of floods, drought, and other climate risks; have a role in decision-making processes related to water management in their communities; and share in the economic, social, and environmental benefits of water systems.

- U.S  
Water  
Alliance

DLDT has been working in rural Uganda since 2011 and has 90 projects that are monitored regularly with transparency and community engagement. All projects are fully functioning due to our specific model of planning, implementation and monitoring with building genuine relationships and using appropriate technology.

We build small and large scale water systems and sources, and sanitation and hygiene facilities so that children and their families can stay safe, healthy and have an opportunity to remain in school or have time to generate income to support their families. On the continent of Africa, 40 billion hours are used annually by women and girls walking miles to collect dirty water daily. When water and sanitation become available near home or school, everything changes.

- **1 in 4** people globally don't have access to clean water
- **HALF** of the people on earth don't have access to a safe toilet
- **2 million** people in the United States don't have running water
- Combine these issues with climate change and migration, global instabilities and COVID-19, already vulnerable communities suffer even more struggles to survive.





- **30,000** people now have reliable clean water in rural Uganda
- **15,000** people now have safe sanitation in Uganda
- Over **1,000** girls have been trained to make reusable sanitary pads
- **Thousands** of people were included in emergency soap drops to help fight COVID-19

Domestically, in Cleveland, Ohio, we have been an active founding member of the Greater Cleveland Water Equity Partners and participated in creating a water equity roadmap. We have remained on the Board and Affordability Sub-Committee to begin the implementation and evolution of the Roadmap.





# LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE A SUSTAINABLE WATER FUTURE

Not only is the importance of our work growing, but our team and operations are as well. Change the world with us through improving water equity and protecting our most precious resource - life giving water.



**DONATIONS CAN BE MADE AND MAILED TO OUR  
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