

About Friends of Mohamed

Friends of Mohamed was formed on March 11, 2009 in Charlottetown. The group of ten members, which includes Mohamed Mara, is established as a funding campaign in support of Mohamed who is in need of myoelectric hands.

Mohamed Mara is a young man from Sierra Leone, West Africa, who came to PEI as a refugee in 2005. In the midst of the civil war in his homeland, rebel forces massacred his mother, father and siblings. Mohamed escaped, but was caught later by the rebels who cut off his hands.

Mohamed has prosthetic hooks and is able to do some simple movement functions. The hooks, because of the abnormal motions they require of his body, are already beginning to compromise his shoulders, back and neck.

The **Friends of Mohamed** campaign, will purchase myoelectric hands, pay for rehabilitation, and maintenance. The total cost will be approximately **\$80,000**.

Donations to Friends of Mohamed

Can be made out to the **Council of People with Disabilities** and dropped off or mailed to:

Friends of Mohamed
81 Prince St.
Charlottetown, PE
C1A 4R3

“The injustice of war and hate took Mohamed’s hands, but love and social justice will replace them”,

Catherine (Cathy) Ronahan, one of the founders of Friends of Mohamed.



Join us on facebook for updates to the campaign and upcoming events.

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The **Sierra Leone Civil War** began in 1991, by the Revolutionary United Front (RUF). The war, fought for control of the diamond trade, resulted in the death of tens of thousands of women, men, and children. More than 2 million people (well over one-third of the population) were displaced because of the 11-year conflict. Neighbouring countries became host to significant numbers of refugees attempting to escape the civil war. It was officially declared over on 18 January 2002.

A WORD FROM MOHAMED

I am very happy and excited about our Friends of Mohamed group.

I am looking forward to getting myoelectric hands.

They will improve my everyday life and help me to get a great job that would allow me to support myself.

I am thankful for everyone who is involved in this campaign.

