Over Summer Break 2017, with the support of the Endowed Mission Fund, Seattle University Professionals Without Borders staff, faculty, and four student members traveled to Chikuni Mission in Zambia for volunteer service efforts. There the efforts focused on providing many sustainable infrastructure improvements for the community.

Providing and installing a new (Geezer) hot water tank for the Sisters of the Holy Spirit with the assistance of Fr Bert Otten S.J.

All prepared to replace a water tower float.

Cleaning blackout curtains for a new community theater and support for sealing the roof at Mukanzubo Cultural Center.
Continuation of the restoration of classrooms and desks at the Girls High School.

Various cleaning then painting projects at Mukanzubo.

Other efforts included SU faculty and students sharing best practices in medical hygiene, along with a PWOB Red Cross Certified Instructor providing CPR and AED training with the Zambian Nursing students,
The group also took time to share and compare Zambian and US hospital resources and procedures.

We were also able to provide over $10,000 in much needed donated medical equipment and supplies to local Chikuni Mission and Monze hospitals.

ICU nurses actually hugged the mobile defibrillator!

Ten cases full of donated medical equipment and supplies taken on PWOB service trip.

Strengthening existing and creating new relationships. Professionals Without Borders, the SU College of Nursing faculty members, with Sr. Vivian Chanda from Chikuni Mission Hospital.
Sonja and SU Biology students with an interest in healthcare observing a surgical procedure at Chikuni Mission Hospital.

Time out for some cultural exchange and relationship strengthening. The staff and students had the wonderful opportunity to dance in Tongan dress at the Chikuni Music Festival. The annual concert that was held under the theme “Masuwa Aswangeene, Tapwayi Cibiya” loosely translated as “stones that are in unity do not break the clay pot” had over 12,000 people attend.
Collaborating with local Zambian hospitals.

SU Professionals Without Borders 2017 Zambia Team with Fr. Andrew Lesniara S.J. Andrew is responsible for both Chikuni Music Radio and the Mukanzubo Cultural Center.