

## **Our Heroes**

How Kids Are Making a Difference

Written by Janet Wilson

Our Heroes - the third book in Janet Wilson's series about child activism - tells true stories of children who are standing up to fight unfairness and inequality.

**September 2014, Toronto** – A new and powerful collection of real-life child activism stories from Janet Wilson. Wilson's previous books in the series include *Our Earth: How Kids are Saving the Planet*, winner of the Science in Society Book Award, and *Our Rights: How Kids are Changing the World*, 2014 Silver Birch Non-Fiction Award Honour Book and shortlisted for the 2014 Jane Addams Peace Award.

Our Heroes presents ten young activists from around the globe who are on a mission to improve the lives of others, with each story illustrated by a portrait capturing each child's spirit. Featured is Andrew Adansi-Bonnah, a boy from Ghana who raised thousands of dollars to aid Somali children affected by famine after learning of their terrible situation on the news. Mimi Ausland is keeping shelter cats and dogs across the US from going hungry through the website she founded FreeKibble.com. And Alaina Podmorow from Canada who, at just nine years old, founded a charity to support and fund girls' education in Afghanistan. Also featured are stories addressing bullying, homelessness, discrimination, poverty, and disaster relief.

Janet Wilson's books in this series are always popular with educators and young people. Readers will be inspired by the remarkable kids from countries like Ghana, India, the Philippines, South Korea, Canada, the UK, and the US, sharing in their messages of charity and hope.

Janet Wilson is a fine artist and the author and illustrator of many books for children. Her book Shannen and the Dream for a School was the winner of the First Nation Communities Read award and soon to be a TV movie. Her book Our Earth: How kids are saving the planet was the winner of the Science in Society Book Award. Janet lives in Eden Mills, Ontario.

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