

The "Sole" of A Citizen

Unfortunately,, many people in this world are only worried about themselves. It is too easy for most people to close their eyes to suffering and poverty. Mona Purdy is not one of those people. She is a shining example of citizenship and the founder of a worldwide, charitable organization known as ""Share Your Soles."

Share Your Soles is a non-profit corporation that collects and donates used shoes to people living in poverty who may not be lucky enough to have shoes of their own. It all started when Mona took a trip through Central America and saw children *painting tar on the bottom of their feet before winning a race* in their village. This inspired Mona to make a difference in underprivileged people's lives. Once Mona got back to America, she started going door-to-door collecting gently used shoes to give to those less fortunate. Eventually, her efforts expanded into an entire organization dedicated to help those who weren't fortunate enough to have shoes.

Mona is a perfect example of citizenship. She did not need to do this, but she wanted to do this. Citizenship is doing something for the greater good. It can start small, like helping in a small way in a small community, but it can also change the world. This is exactly what Mona did. She saw the problem and instead of sitting around and waiting for someone else to solve it, she took charge and did something herself. She decided to ease the suffering of the impoverished children she encountered during her travels and she ultimately did the same for people throughout the world.

Because of Mona's efforts, over two million people have received a pair of shoes courtesy of Share Your Soles. The organization has been helping people for over 17 years and they are still going strong. Mona Purdy saw an injustice in the world and thought "What can I do about that?" This is true citizenship and the world needs more citizens like Mona Purdy.