

In Remembrance: Shingairai Chimuriwo-Tichawangana

Shingairai Chimuriwo-Tichawangana, affectionately called "Shingie" by friends and colleagues, died at The Avenues Clinic in Harare, Zimbabwe early in the morning on 16 March 2011. Her death was the result of injuries obtained during a car accident the previous night. The accident, which occurred while Shingie was traveling home from a work function, was caused by a drunk driver who failed to yield at the intersection of Enterprise and Ridgeway roads in Harare.

At 30 years old, Shingie was the youngest employee of the Norwegian People's Aid office in Zimbabwe. She started working part-time with NPA in the 1990s and in 1993, traveled to Bergen, Norway to study in a year-long program for her master's degree. She returned to Zimbabwe in 2001 and became NPA Zimbabwe's Program Coordinator in 2004. Shingie was passionate about promoting justice and equality, and her work at NPA involved empowering women, children and the poor of Zimbabwe.

A memorial service was held at Celebration Centre in Borrowdale at 10 a.m. on 18 March 2011. Following the service, Shingie was buried at Glen Forest Cemetery. She is survived by her husband, Fungai James Tichawangana.

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