

ASSOCIATION OF ORPHANS AND THE DISABLED

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PROJECT TITLE: A TRAINING / AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTRE IN CAPENTRY, CRAFT/EMBROIDERY, TAILORING (ITC) FOR THE ORPHANS AND DISABLED

- 1) **Explain:** A close view of the society by ASSOCIATION OF ORPHANS AND THE DISABLED (ASODI) prompts us to be ambitious to set up a training/an information technology centre in craft/embroidery, tailoring, Braille, hardware & software and carpentry. We are able to see in relation to the lives of ORPHANS and DISABLED Children/ persons in our society that they are so terrible and incomplete. They are the most under privileged, as they have nobody or source to be supported. Hence they are found roaming the streets begging. ASODI therefore deems it necessary that if they could be rallied and trained in a centre where they can be privileged like others then it will go along way to better their situation, that of their siblings and the Cameroonian society.
- 2) **Brief Description:** We (ASODI) intend to open a training/an information Technology Centre, where Orphans and the Disabled who have completed Primary School and other Higher Level of Studies could rally for training and a new information Technology Programme, tailoring Braille, Carpentry, embroidery/craft that will enable them improve on the modern skills in areas of communication, computer literacy etc that can enable them network with many organizations, employ themselves and other areas of related development.
- 3) **ASODI i.e. Association of ORPHANS AND THE DISABLED** was created in 1999. It is currently training over 120 Orphans out of whom 20 are in Secondary School, 100 in other Centres like sewing, carpentry, welding and motor mechanics. Each year, over 1250 Orphans and Disabled children/persons are always being assisted with school materials, clothing, food and medications. Also, some 500 epileptic Orphans/Patients each month receive epileptic drugs from ASODI in Ngie Sub Division where its head quarters is.
- 4) **Design of the programme/project:-** ASODI intends to put up a structure to host this I. T/Training Centre that can accommodate the trainings which can contain about 60

computers furnished with a printer and linked to the, Internet and Web, sites. Some of the computers will be used for the teaching of hardware maintenance classes and documentation centre. We also intend to have a stand-by generator to replace the rampant electricity shortages in Cameroon due to low Hydro Power Suppliers. Also a tailoring, craft/embroidery, Braille, carpentry workshop will be attached to this Centre. Meanwhile, we intend to network with a group of Orphans and Disabled persons' Organizations that are existing in the North West part of Cameroon. In the future little money made of printing of documents, photocopy, internet services and scanning will be ploughed back to expand/sustain its activities by subsidizing expenditures, the size of the Centre and other related services for the good and well being of the targeted population (ORPHANS AND DISABLED) will be gradually expanded.

5) Importance to Country/Region:-

- a) The region of North West Cameroon has no Industries. This will therefore serve as an empowerment to the under privileged group of persons.
- b) They shall be able to fend for themselves and their siblings/families and directly contribute to the economic growth of the region and the country as a whole.
- c) They shall be self employed and equally act as employers in the North West region of Cameroon thereby reducing unemployment, high crime wave, improved literacy rate of the region and the country as a whole.

6) Potential Partners:- A network of Orphans and Disabled groups or Organizations shall be partners. For it shall be a wonderful privilege to this group of persons as this Centre shall be so far the first ever to exist in the region. Other Potential partners include International NGOs, Embassies, Ministries and other countries in the world.

7) Anticipated Outcome:- At least between 150 – 200 Orphans and Disabled children/people shall be trained every year in the North West Region of Cameroon. Delinquency rate amongst the Orphans and Disabled will be reduced, unemployment will also reduce and the standard of living of the region will improve.

8) Risk Assessment:- In this Centre, we can not completely ignore the risk assessment of which we should foresee disaster like life fire which can not be under minimized. To an extend, there is the existence of Fire Fighting Brigade Set off by the Military Wing of the Government. It is putting in much effort in incidences that had occurred in the past in the North West region of Cameroon. Incase of power failure as we indicated under project design the presence of a stand-by generator can go a long way to salvage this type of an unforeseen.

9) **Budget:-** It is based on the items under the programme or project designed.

Nº	QTY	DESCRIPTION OF ITEM	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1		Dish / Server (Lumpsum)	2.000.000	2.000.000
2		Net Phones (Lumpsum)	250.000	250.000
3		Scanner (Lumpsum)	60.000	60.000
4		Printer (Lumpsum)	80.000	80.000
5		Cost of Connection (Lumpsum)	400.000	400.000
	9	Tables	40.000 x 9	360.000
6	32	Chairs	20.000 x 32	640.000
7		Cables for Wiring Lumpsum)	300.0000	300.000
8	1	Stand-by Generator (Lumpsum	500.000	500.000
9		Stationeries for 5 Years e.g	5.000.000	5.000.000
10	1	Secretary	40.000	480.000
11	2	Computer Teachers	100.000x12x24	4.800.000
12	1	Cook	500.000x12	6.000.000
13	2	Night and Day watch	100.000x12x4	4.800.000
14	1	Coordinator	100.000x12x4	4.800.000
15		Purchase of a premises for project	15.000.000	15.000.000
16		Miscellaneous (meetings, sick children to hospital, meal per day for trainees)	6.000.000	6.000.000
17	10	Sewing Machines	75.000	750.000
18		Cost of Teaching per Orphan, Braille	350.000	350.000
19	10	Embroidery/Craft Teaching per Orphan	250.000	2.500.000
20	10	Carpentry /Modern Furniture teaching per Orphan / Year	250.000x10x2	5.000.000
21		Capital for tailoring training/Carpentry tools	1.500.000	1.500.000
22		Material for embroidery/sewing machine (Lumpsum)	1.000.000	1.000.000
23	10	Carpentry Tools for Orphans (Lumpsum)	3.000.000	3.000.000
TOTAL				65.570.000

1. ASODI already has trainers in tailoring as she has trained 16 of her own orphans. Also in embroidery/craft, she has her trainers.
2. **Schedule and Milestones:-** We intend to start off with the setting up of the Centre and we intend also to start the project by November 2007. The training of these Orphans/Disabled persons shall empower them and we see this project to be sustainable as the Internet, Documentation, and products from Craft/Embroidery shall be sold and money ploughed back to the running of the entire Centre.
3. **Alignment with National Strategies:-** The Government has done well to put up ITCs in schools in some of the Divisions in Cameroon but the Orphans, street children and the Disabled are still not touched with this programme. It is in this light that we are setting the above programme to raise their standards of living and that of their siblings/family as they shall be left employed in this project.
4. **Priority:** (THE ORPHANS AND DISABLED of ASODI and other Orphans Organizations in the North West Province are our priority to train in this project.
5. **Long Term Sustainability:-** This project shall exist for perpetuity as we are putting everything in place on our part and on the other Organizations part. The long sustainability is assured by the dividends got from scanning, photocopy, and Internet Services, Documentation, Craft product, Tailoring/Carpentry and of course the Netphone. All these shall be ploughed back into the project.
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