



# ST. BENEDICT COMMUNITY CENTRE

*"Education is the key to Success"*

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## PROJECT TITLE: FEEDING 187 NEEDY CHILDREN

AMOUNT NEEDED: KSH. 499,792 PER TERM.

LOCATION OF IMPLEMENTATION: DANDORA

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## **PROJECT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

ST. Benedict Community Centre is located in Dandora, Nairobi Kenya. Diana Jomo the founder of SBCC found it hard to ignore the suffering of vulnerable children who due to poverty could wake up very early in the morning and walk straight to the dumpsite to look for the filthy leftovers. As a result, she established SBCC as an educational institution to offer humanitarian assistance to needy children. Apart from primary education, children are provided with two meals a day, guided on Christian values and their talents nurtured.

At SBCC, children are given the necessary care, love and their hopes for a better future restored. The care does not end when a child completes primary education, the Centre always strives to link them with well-wishers to assist them transit to secondary schools.

Since its establishment the Centre operates in rented premises which are not conducive for learning purposes. The premise has small rooms made of old iron sheet walls and roof, poor drainage system, and no electricity. Due to poor drainage system sewer water usually floods the classes whenever it rains posing a health hazard to children. Cases of children having stomach upsets and respiratory problems are common due to this poor state of the current location of the school.

## **PROJECT BACKGROUND.**

Dandora is located in the eastern part of Nairobi and the main dumpsite of all the wastes in Nairobi. It is divided into 5 phases; the school is located in phase 4 not far away from the dumpsite. The bad smell from the rotting wastes is environmental hazard and a health risk to people who directly depend on the dumpsite for their livelihood.

At times choking smoke fills the air from the burning waste making it difficult to breath and causes respiratory diseases among the residents of Dandora. With all these risks poverty-stricken children find this dumpsite the only alternative for survival, directly consuming the leftovers.

Crime rate is high due to high number of children who drop out of school caused by lack of school fees. There are several cases of young boys and girls being killed by either police or mob due to crime.

Most of these children are orphans who live with their poor relatives who cannot provide them with good shelter, school uniform, writing materials and good diet.

Education therefore plays a vital role as a change agent to children living under challenging circumstances and environment like Dandora. Education has the ability to address inequality, poverty, unemployment and problems associated with illiteracy.

SBCC was founded and registered in 2008 to address the challenges needy children in Dandora face. The Centre has had a steady increase in children enrolment with the current learner's population being 160. First group of beneficiaries are in various secondary schools across the country proceeding with their studies.

Learner's school attendance, health and lesson concentration is directly depending on the school feeding program. St. Benedict community Centre depends on well-wishers who occasionally support the feeding program, no regular supporter of the program. At some instances the kitchen runs dry and as a result affects children's concentration in class and school attendance as well. The need to offer meals for these children from poor families is an overwhelming task and therefore the Centre is making an appeal of **KSH 499,792** per term support towards the feeding program.

### **TARGETED BENEFICIARIES.**

The targeted beneficiaries of this project are the 187 learners who are already at St. Benedict community Centre ages between 4years to 14 years old both boys and girls.

### **PROBLEM STATEMENT.**

A child from slums rarely gets opportunity to access quality education as her/his peers from high income areas. As a result, they cannot favorably compete for opportunities associated with education, these results into intergenerational poverty in families. Unless kept in school children face the danger of crime, child labor/abuse, and death due to unhealthy diet among other problems.

The vision of St. Benedict community Centre is to change one life at a time for a prosperous community by providing support and knowledge that restores human dignity. This very vision has been threatened by lack of regular support of feeding program.

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT**

It is on this backdrop of circumstances that we set out an appeal for support of the feeding program with the following objectives: -

- i. Improve the health of children with malnutrition
- ii. Reduce cases of absenteeism
- iii. Increase learners' concentration in class.
- iv. Avoid cases of children going back to the dumpsite for the decomposing leftovers.

## **ORGANISATION OF ST. BENEDICT COMMUNITY CENTRE.**

SBCC is a registered community-based organization managed by the board members that comprise of: -

1. Chairperson
2. Assistant chairperson
3. Secretary
4. Assistant secretary
5. Treasurer
6. Project coordinator.
7. Staff representative
8. Community representative.

The board's mandate is formulation of policies that are in line with children education and development. Through the director who is the secretary, the board liaises with well-wishers to assist in realizing the goals of SBCC.

## THE CENTRE'S MENU.

The Centre's weekly menu is as follows: -

<b>DAY</b>	<b>MORNING BREAK</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>
MONDAY	Porridge	Rice with beans
TUESDAY	Porridge	Ugali with kales and beans
WEDNESDAY	Porridge	Rice with cabbage
THURSDAY	Porridge	Ugali with dagaa
FRIDAY	Porridge	Rice with green grams
SATURDAY	Porridge	Githeri (maize with beans)

**NOTE:** The menu is subject to change depending with the availability of funds and the well-wishers request who may need a special diet for the children.

## BUDGET PER TERM (4 MONTHS)

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>QUANTITY</b>	<b>UNIT COST (KSH)</b>	<b>TOTAL (KSH)</b>
50 kg bag of rice	32	5400	172,800
50 kg bag of beans	8	7000	56,000
50kg bag of green gram	4	6000	24,000
90kg bag of maize	4	7650	30,600
Bundle of maize flour	16	2640	42,240
Bundle of porridge flour	16	1920	30,720
50kg bag of sugar	4	10000	40,000
20l of cooking oil	4	4200	16,800
Miscellenious (fuel and daiy puchases)			86,632
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>			<b>499,792.00</b>

## **MONITORING AND EVALUATION.**

At each and every stage of the implementation of this project, all stakeholders will be provided with photo reports, written reports, Consumption records and purchase receipts.

Physical and online meetings shall also be organized for the stakeholders during the implementation of this project.