

ORPHANAGE PROJECT REPORT FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016\2017.

The year 2016\2017 was an extremely difficult year in the life of every Cameroonian not excluding the beneficiaries of the foundation. The academic year started on a good note but the political, economic and social atmosphere in the country suddenly changed and the destiny of everyone was left at the mercy of our leaders.

The situation in the country was further worsened by the constant fear that was instilled in the minds of everyone; the fear of the unknown. A majority of the kids were constantly out of school because of the strike action. Thanks to the dedicated staff of the foundation that constantly encouraged the kids and gave them hope for a better future.

Most of the kids studying in the French speaking regions in the country faced numerous setbacks because of the tensed atmosphere that defined the state of affairs. The fact that they were constantly traveling caused the foundation enormous hardship.

Another worrisome fact was the issue of a sudden change of curriculum in the middle of the academic year. We never envisaged such changes and hence it posed financial hardship to the foundation. The foundation recruited a private teacher who helped the kids and gave them catch up lessons.

Despite the herculean efforts made by the foundation, everyday life still presents a challenge to most of the kids. This especially concerns the health situation of the kids in the foundation. They constantly suffer from malaria, diarrhea and typhoid fever. The staff of the foundation has attributed the diarrhea predicament to the lack of portable water.

The rural water project meant to supply portable water to the entire village isn't constant. The supply of water is often limited to certain parts of the village. Hence the kids become vulnerable into drinking contaminated water. It is our fervent wish to plead with our beneficiaries to help us drill a well so the issue of portable water can be realized.

The foundation's director has been unstable as a result of the tensed political atmosphere that defines the country lately. Aside from the crisis faced by lawyers of English extraction in the country, his unflinching support of the restoration of the Southern Cameroon's independence plunged him in turbulent moments with the government. He spent a considerable time in exile in Nigeria and only got back to the country when the consortium of lawyers selected him amongst the lawyers mandated to defend the Anglophone activists languishing in prison. Prior to his departure to Nigeria, he had been out of work for a considerable period of time. He was in need and sought help from the foundation.

It is our wish that the underlined issues raised be taken into consideration when disbursing the budget for this academic year in a bid to save the management team from the untold hardship experienced during the course of the academic year.

On behalf of the foundation, we wish to heartily thank our benefactors and pray that the candle they have lighted, continues to shine in the lives of our beneficiaries.

On behalf of the foundation,
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