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CCC Respite Project

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ABOUT FAIR LIFE AFRICA FOUNDATION

Vision: To see a more just and equal society in Africa.

Mission: **FAIR LIFE AFRICA** is a progressive, humanitarian organisation. It is committed to the mission of empowering people through practical social initiatives and programs. It stands for a fairer life for all people, by improving the life chances of the most disadvantaged. It serves people of all faiths, races, gender and any other orientation, without discrimination. It will promote the values of social inclusion and empowerment, by commissioning research and social awareness schemes that will inform social policies and attitudes.

Objectives:

1. To enrich the lives of the most impoverished in society;
2. To support and empower the most vulnerable members of society, enabling them to live a fair life;
3. To effect positive changes in their lives through social initiatives and programs.

ABOUT CARE CONTINUITY CHALLENGE INITIATIVE

Summary: Care Continuity Challenge Initiative is the first initiative of Fair Life Africa Foundation. It offers packages of care and support to street children, as well as vulnerable single mothers, whose children are at risk. CCC Initiative (CCCI) provides clean, comfortable and child-friendly environments for street children to meet others of like experience, to make friends and to rest from the inappropriate demands of homelessness and poverty. With a firm belief that children should be cared for in a family environment, we will investigate and assess each child's situation, re-establishing family links where possible, as empowered and constrained by the law and the child's best interests and wishes.

CCC Initiative also provides opportunity for those who are committed to rehabilitating from the streets to reside safely and enrol into local schools. CCC Homes will receive and retain children based on set criteria, having investigated family origin and the causes behind that specific child's experience of homelessness. Resident children will also be supported through the provision of counselling, regular health check-ups and follow up treatments, tutoring and vocational training, and will participate in relevant programs and functions. Children will continue to receive support until they are 18 years old or decide to move on, and will be supported in their transition to adulthood and employment by mentors.

Care: CCC Drop-In centres offer a point of contact with children who may have run from home, are working on the streets or are orphaned and homeless. They are supported and understood, given the opportunity to play, clean up, feed, rest and begin to dream about their future.

Continuity: Having identified the street children, and gained their confidence in time, our workers will investigate the cause of their current condition. Families in need of support - financial, medical or therapeutic – will be assisted to enable reconciliation and stability.

Challenge: Offers orphans and children for whom return home is unsafe, the opportunity to reside in our CCC Homes, with comprehensive support. They will attend school and/or learn a trade, receive medical care and nurturing, counselling and mentorship.

Services: Outreach, Meals, Shelter and Amenities, Clothing, Vocational Training, Life Skills Training, Recreation, Counselling, Mentorship, Family Tracing, Family Support (Training, Education, Financial and Medical), Child Protection, Long-term Accommodation, Education, Medical Support, Home Care and Follow Up.

Beneficiaries: 1. The Children – They are abandoned, orphaned and vulnerable children, who may not have hope apart from our assistance and intervention in their lives. By changing their stories, we are changing their world and ours.

2. Their Families – The basic unit of any society, and the endurance of our culture and values. Affected families may be restored from the depression of poverty and conflict.

3. The Community – Where the social security structure is absent or has fallen, we are all at risk. If unsupported, they may become the downfall of a nation. Timely and appropriate support will impact the immediate community, and will be felt abroad and for generations to come.

ABOUT CCC RESPITE PROJECT

Project Goal: For the reconciliation, rehabilitation and reintegration of street children with their families for a secure and stable society.

Background: You may have seen them on the street, begging at the traffic lights. Like most people, you probably prayed for the lights to change before they come to your window. Or could you be one of the few whose heart was touched by their plight? You may have even heard stories about how they return home after begging, to give back huge earnings to exploitative parents or guardians. Perhaps you have even seen them on the streets at night, selling their bodies in dark corners. Sights like these can be heartbreaking, and it is right for us to seek a solution. Commonly known as street or homeless children, they are often referred to in many other unfriendly names around the world. Who are they? Where do they come from? Why are they on the streets? And what can be done to help them...?

A street child is a young person under 18 years, who lives on the streets, fending for themselves and their dependents, and usually does not have a home to return to. This definition includes those children who may return home, but spend their waking hours in employment on the streets. These are children on the streets, where as those without a home are children of the streets. In every corner of the world where they are found, these children are subject to abuse, neglect, exploitation and even death, being the target of criminals and hatemongers alike. Kuramo Beach in Lagos had one of the largest gatherings of street children, and was closed down due to disastrous ocean surges in 2012. Rain or shine, the children would sleep on the bare beach sand, and a countless number have lost their lives to the ocean waves. Join us to transform the life of a disadvantaged, discouraged and disillusioned child.

Approach: Working from the understanding of the child's right to life, to play and recreation, to family and social association, to be free from abuse and exploitation and to receive education; the project aims to redeem the lost childhood of the street child. Often accused and abused, they need the advocacy and protection of concerned adults, and to be empowered to strive for their full potential. In light of the hard experiences of the child adjusted to street living, interventions will be sensitive, but assertive, and every effort will be made to resolve issues at home to prevent a return to the streets. It is our belief that it is preferable for a child to live with their natural family, or surrogate family, than in a residential facility.

Plan: The CCC Respite Project is currently available only for boys, as street boys and girls need to be supported in separate facilities. It provides a transitory programme to support 12 boys at a time off the streets, enabling them to go to school (or learn a vocation) and reside at the Home for one academic year. The boys are rescued from the streets, rehabilitated and accommodated in a clean, safe and child-friendly facility. Each child is allocated a social worker and a support worker, and will also join two sets of group. One is a counselling group, and another is a competitive group. These enable the children to form identities, develop their potential, and feel solidarity.

There would be issues of abuse and exploitation, poverty and/or sickness that will need to be addressed and overcome before a safe and secure transition back home is made. During their stay, children will be supported to visit and spend periods in their homes. Social workers will make recommendations for continued assistance and/or referral of children with specific or additional support needs. Alternative support through fostering and legal guardianship will also be considered and sought. Support for families will be phased in throughout the programme, and children will be followed up for a minimum of 12 months after reconciliation, to ensure complete reintegration back into society and quality control.

FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

Setting Up: The Founding Trustees have provided, from their own resources, the following start-up requirements for Fair Life Africa Foundation:

- A Transit Home and Office in Gbara-Lekki, to accommodate and rehabilitate 12 children;
- Two motor vehicles for use by the CEO and Social workers for administrative and outreach;
- Furnishing of the Home and Office, including renovation of the grounds.
- Capital for operational expenses to date.

Further Needs: The following has been budgeted for the continuance of its street child project in 2014:

- Projected annual operations budget – N20,000,000 (at less than N2mil monthly)
 - Administration – N12,000,000 (includes wages, fuel consumption etc)
 - Care/Outreach – N4,500,000 (includes feeding, clothing etc)
 - Empowerment/Follow up – N3,500,000 (includes family support, training etc)

Sponsorship: There are a variety of ways that supporters may partner or sponsor Fair Life Africa Foundation. The following sponsorship schemes are suggested:

- Corporate Partnership
- Child Sponsorship
- Lump Sum Contributions
- Specific Needs Sponsorship
- Professional Contributions
- Event Sponsorship
- Physical Donations of New/Used Items

How To Donate: Funds can be transferred directly to our Guaranty Trust Bank account (0106643687) electronically by online banking, through our website at www.fairlifeafrica.org or via a local bank branch. Cheques can also be made out to Fair Life Africa Foundation, and can be picked up or sent to 2 Gbara Close, Off Maiyegun Beach Rd, Lekki, Lagos, Nigeria. If you are interested in setting up monthly donations, annual or programme child sponsorship or sponsoring specific programme needs, please contact us on (00234) 805 871 1125 or at contact@fairlifeafrica.org.

WHY SUPPORT FAIR LIFE AFRICA?

Fair Life Africa is a modern, humanitarian organisation for all people. We believe in holistic, preventative and empowering solutions to universal issues. At Fair Life Africa Foundation, we pride ourselves in having both passion and strategy. We have developed and employed several strategies since our establishment in January 2011, and aspire to be a leading non-profit and non-governmental organisation in Africa. We seek out like-minded organisations to collaborate with in the alleviation of risk and harm to the most vulnerable in society. As a faith-based organisation, we operate with the love and fear of God. Fair Life Africa strives to be transparent in all its ventures, showing high standards in care, service and professionalism. The founders believe in the practical expression of love, which is both compassionate and hopeful, and aim for the organisation to be a source of encouragement and comfort to the downhearted.

BENEFITSTODONORSANDPARTNERS

Apart from the immeasurable joy and pride of knowing that you have transformed someone's life for the better and made your mark on society, donors and partners of Fair Life Africa Foundation will also share in the following benefits:

- 1. Acknowledgment of sponsorship or partnership in Fair Life Africa's Newsletters and Publications*
- 2. Promotion of corporate sponsors and partners through media channels*
- 3. Annual recognition and award through Fair Life Africa's annual report for major contributors*
- 4. Patronage of services and consumption of goods offered and sold by its corporate partners.*
- 5. Development of self and organisational image, as one that is progressive and humanitarian.*
- 6. Organisations who offer apprenticeships or internships to these young people can benefit from a fresh labour pool, which they have already contributed to train and equip.*
- 7. The seventh benefit is one that is reaped by all members of society including our donors and partner organisations. We can all expect to benefit from safer streets, stable homes and communities, a prosperous economic climate and a bright future for our nation in the rearing of visionary leaders.*

Remember, as we change their stories, we will change their world and ours too.

CCC RESPITE HOME AND DAY CENTRE



Welcome! Street Side View



Front View



Right Side View



Left Side View



Garden View



Back Yard for Outdoor Activity/Training

CCC RESPITE HOME AND DAY CENTRE



Open Room for Meetings, Trainings and Meals



Open Room in Use



Recreational/Counselling Room



Reading/Computer Room



Reception Desk



Staff Office

CCC RESPITE HOME AND DAY CENTRE



CEO's Office



Secretary/Assistant's Desk and Server Room



Field Office



Indoor Kitchen



Outdoor Cooking Area



Kitchen Store

The Day Centre also contains:

- One Visitor Toilet
- One Staff Toilet
- One Shower Room

All are equipped with toilet and sink only.

The rest of the pictures show the rooms and facilities for accommodation. They include:

- TV Room
- Boys' Rooms
- Matron's Quarters

CCC RESPITE HOME AND DAY CENTRE



Lounge/TV Room



Lounge In Use



Big Boys' Bedroom



Small Boy's Bedroom



Big Boy's Bathroom



Small Boy's Bathroom

CCC RESPITE HOME AND DAY CENTRE



First Aid Room



Matron's Bedroom



Matron's Kitchen



Matron's Bathroom



Borehole and Water Treatment



Generator House

