

15 Computers for Teenage Mothers Institute

Help Teenage mothers and adolescent girls learn computer and internet skills — Skills that opens opportunities for jobs, education, entrepreneurial and enriching connections with people

The teenager mothers want computers and internet for capacity building to enhance their future career opportunities. It's the next best option after having a disadvantage and vulnerable life. Computer and internet are a good skills to learn.

Computer and internet ability:

- helps obtain life and livelihood skills
- opens up job and education options in all areas, such as tourism, arts, business, medicine, teaching, etc.
- helps young mothers engage in the world beyond their village, island and nation via the Internet and media
- broadens their experiences, knowledge and relationships by contact with people from different places—in the same way that learning Indonesian has enriched my experience here

How will your money be used?

\$5250 - 15 Computers at \$350 per piece
 \$500 - 1 LCD projector + tripod (benQ MX 502)
 \$800 - Educational software, Internet modems, set-up tools
 \$1450 - e-textbook access, hardware, journal

What's the time frame?

NOW September – November 2013: Fund gathering

November 15 – funds withdrawal from our Cameroon bank, completion of buying computers, software, accessories, books

November 20 - Set-up of all workstations in time for end of year community exhibition!

Accountability?

Certainly! All the specifics of items purchased, problems we may run into, and how the teenage mother institute and participants use the new tools in the trainings through the years, will be shared in all medium available.

As for check-ups, our partners and friends, experienced with non-profit ICT projects, training computer and internet classes will go to the Institute periodically to meet the facilitators, participants and volunteers to see what else needs to be done and I'll maintain relationships with the community.

Who will teach, maintain the computers, and pay the bills?

Computer and internet classes facilitators are easily found and can be paid using institute funds when facilitators are needed, and when not, volunteers can conduct classes.

Wireless wifi and electricity bills are not very expensive and will be paid monthly by the institute, with help from friends and community, Organization, and/or with grants from partners, the local government . The costly bit is buying all the equipment, which can be done with your help!

Here's how you can help

You're invited to make a donation :). Your contributions help teenage mothers of more limited means learn, important basic technology skills, and have a colorful life, contemporary institute classroom experience fitting with the times. Remember, everything goes directly to the teenage mothers Institutes to install computers/hardware, Internet, books, and e-journals.

Equally, or even more importantly, tell all your friends and neighbors to help us out. Help us spread the word!

What if we raise more than \$8602?

:) we will consult with the community to see the best way to use the extra funds. All details will be shared.

And if we raise less than \$8602?

:(We will have to reconsider which purchases are most necessary, and whether teenage mothers can have their needs fulfilled, depending on the amount deficient.

Please share our link!!!

Cheers

From myself, SDI Cameroon team, all the teenage mothers, adolescent girls and faculty of the teenage mothers Institute, **THANK YOU!** With your assistance, participants and community can benefit from all the downstream results of computers, Internet, and literacy in their classrooms.

Help us reach our goal! All donations, large and small, are appreciated. Do contact us with questions or concerns :).