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## **KEEP 200 ORPHANS IN SCHOOL IN EVBUOTUBU**

### **Project Overview**

#### **BACKGROUND**

According 2010 UNICEF projection,there are about 8.2 million orphans in Nigeria, With the spread of HIV-AIDS,“The study shows clearly that Nigeria is facing an emergency situation in which millions of children are in dire need of care and special protection measures”, said Mr Ayalew Abai, UNICEF Country Representative in Nigeria.

Evbuotubu Community has about 2000 orphans and vulnerable children.These children are very disadvantaged. Whenever there is any additional financial burden on their care givers, they are made to dropout of school. In other cases they are crowded with too much domestic chores that they are left without time for their education.

Many of them are exposed to child labour; and though they are the bread winners of their families they are the most deprived.

Many of them are made to handle responsibilities that are far beyond their age. And if there is any mistake, they are tortured and maltreated by their care givers. This so called punishment sometimes includes denial from attending school.

Even when they attend school, they lack the text books, notebooks and writing materials required for them to study well.

The lack and deprivation that they suffer, makes them to be look down on and mocked by their classmates, thus leading to a lack of confidence and low self esteem.

Unfortunately, their teachers do not have the needed knowledge and skill required to support children in their situation. In the last outreach to the primary and secondary schools in the community on the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2012 we observed that none of the teachers have been trained on how to provide psycho social support to orphans and vulnerable children.

Except something is done in this area, orphans in Evbuotubu Community would continue to drop out of school.

#### **PROJECT OVERALL GOAL**

To keep 200 orphans in school in an effective and sustainable manner.

## SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

To provide the needed educational materials (books, sandals, bags, writing materials e.t.c) and support for 200 orphans

To improve the income of 60 Orphan Care Providers for the benefit of Orphans.

To train 20 teachers and 60 Orphan care providers to provide psychosocial support for orphans.

To sustain the support for orphans through community mobilization.

To sensitize the community to ensure that no child is left out of school.

## ACTIVITIES

Comprehensive Mapping of community orphans and selection of 200 orphans for support

Community sensitization and mobilization.

First Educational support for the identified orphans.

Training of teachers and orphans care providers on providing psychosocial support for orphans.

Training and support of 60 care providers on income generating activities.

Organization of 4 community mobilization seminars

Recruitment of community support partners for orphans.

## METHOD

The project begins with the mapping of orphans and care givers in Evbuotubu Community.

The mapping leads to selection of the orphans and the first support of their urgent need as they resume school.

After that there would be training on psychosocial support. After the training, the care providers would be monitored to know those who show significant progress in the care of the orphans

It is from this that 60 of them would be trained in snail farming which requires little maintenance and is high yielding. And then supported to start the venture.

Followed by sensitization and community mobilization to recruit local partners for project sustainability.

## AMOUNT REQUIRED FOR EACH ACTIVITY

1. Community mapping of orphans and care providers = \$1,200

2. Educational support for identified 200 orphans \$90 a year = \$18,000

3. Training and support of 60 care providers on income generating activities \$200 each = \$12,000

4. Stipend for 1 programme officer \$300 a month = \$3,600 a year.

5. Community sensitization and mobilization \$400 per event, 4 events = \$1,600

6. Training of 15 teachers and 200 care providers at \$30 each =  $215 \times \$30 = \$6,450$

7. Monthly transport support for visits \$100 X12 = \$1,200

8. Monthly communication support \$30 per month = \$360

9. Administrative support for project = \$2,000

TOTAL PER ANNUM = **\$46,410**