Project: From Victims of Contemporary forms of Slavery to Survivors

Project Goal:

We aim to empower victims of contemporary forms of slavery, including trafficking so they become survivors.

Countries/region:

Mexico is an origin, transit and destination country of victims of contemporary forms of slavery, including trafficking in women and girls and all forms of exploitation, with high rates of internal trafficking.

Description of the Project:

This project aims for to give the necessary tools to victims of contemporary forms of slavery, including trafficking, exploitation of prostitution or other forms of commercial sexual exploitation, sexual slavery, paid brides, forced begging, servitude, forced services, domestic slavery, etc. Moreover, it will contribute to empower victims by the restitution of their human rights, providing assistance and protection to victims and their families, until they become survivors, through Transitional Homes, and Education, Vocational Training and Productive Projects.

This project also includes Alternative Therapies, Physical, Sport, Cultural and Recreation Activities.

This project is shaped for women and girls in need of a longer protection and follow-up because of the physical and emotional damages suffered during their victimization, by providing comprehensive services leading to their empowerment, reconstruction of their life project, ensuring they become survivors, and when possible helping for the family reunification.

The Transitional Homes and Education, Vocational Training and Productive Projects Program include the following components:

- 1) Medical expenses, including medicines and lab exams, and psychological counseling to victims during their stay at the Transitional Homes.
- 2) Humanitarian services for families and victims, including travel fares, per diem, clothing, personal articles, housing, food, transportation and taxis, and reunification.
- 3) Transitional homes.
- 4) Education, vocational training and productive projects, which includes physical activities and alternative therapies, and

The Transitional Homes will receive between 10 to 20 women, girls and teenagers victims of contemporary forms of slavery, especially trafficking victims, victims of exploitation of prostitution and other forms of sexual commercial exploitation, sexual slavery, forced marriages, debt bondage, servitude, abduction or illegal adoptions, forced begging, forced labour, domestic slavery, etc. The Transitional Homes aim to empower victims giving them the necessary tools so they become survivors. The victims are received after they leave the shelters (almost 6 months after their rescue).

In the Transitional Homes we deliver the following services:

- 1) Medical expenses, including medicines and lab exams, and psychological counselling to victims post rescue/localization.
- 2) Humanitarian Services for victims to become survivors, which include housing, food, clothing, personal articles, and, when possible, family reunification.
- 3) Support for earth or air fares and per diem for attending the hearings or legal matters and/or for family visits.
- 4) It also includes a Program of Education (formal education), Vocational Training and Productive Projects in the aim they start gaining economic independence.

Up to now, we have developed three productive projects:

- The Cookie Shop, that includes:
 - a) Baking cookies, cakes and/or desserts.
- The Little Bite.
 - a) Offering catering services for meetings, parties and events.
 - b) Coffee break services.
- The Boutique.
 - a) **Jewelry**
 - b) Handmade Scarf and Bags
 - c) Flowers and Bouquets
- 5) It also includes physical and sportive activities, as well as cultural and recreation activities.
- 6. This project also includes Alternative Therapies, as music, dance, laughing therapies, as drama and shouting, together with empowering workshops on their human rights and how to live without violence or discrimination.
 - 1. Punctual follow-up is provided by the Transitional Homes Coordinator, who is a specialized professional, assisted always by survivors that are involved in the process as part of their empowerment.
 - 2. We provide travel by earth or air and per diem support, hostage and food, for the families, when necessary.
 - 3. Once the victim is received in the Transitional Home, we prepare a welcome ceremony, and sign commitments, both the CATW-LAC team and the victim.
 - 4. Psychological attention is provided. Also we provide services to assist in social reintegration and restitution of rights, which includes health services through governmental agencies, and humanitarian services as clothing, personal articles, food, and housing. When it is possible we proceed with Families Reunification.
 - 5. Education, vocational training and Productive projects are offered to the victims in order they gain abilities and tools to become progressively independent and economically self sustained. With this intention we will need to buy some materials and equipment.
 - 6. Once the victim has received the necessary assistance and protection services, an evaluation of family re-integration possibilities will be taken.
 - 7. The term for victims to be included in the Transitional Homes and Education, Vocational Training and Productive Projects is a minimum of 6 months up to 3 to 4 years.
 - 8. When the victims are leaving the Program we also organize a Farewell Ceremony, where we reiterate the commitments of both parties, which include

the follow up to avoid re-victimization,, and they are encouraged to provide CATW-LAC with a written testimony.

CATWLAC CATAPULT BUDGET 2014 FROM VICTIMS TO SURVIVORS

Num	ITEM		Cost p/Unit	Num. Req.	TOTAL BUDGET
		Unit			
1	Rent, Material; and Equipment	Month			
1.1.	Van for Transporting Victims.		500	12	6,000
1.2.	Education Fees &Office and PC Materials	Month	300	12	3,600
1.3.	Telephone and Internet	Month	150	12	1,800
1.4.	Material for Productive Projects	Month	250	12	3,000
1.5.	Equipment (Trays, Cooking tools, etc.)	Once	3,007	1	3,007
1.6.	Rent for one Transitional Homes	Month	300	12	3,600
	\$ub-Total				21,007
2	Human Resources				
2.1.	Psychologist/Half time	Month	500	12	6,000
2.2.	Victims Officer/Half Time	Month	300	12	3,600
2.3.	Security Guard	Month	500	12	6,000
2.4.	Transitional Homes Coord./Half Time	Month	500	12	6,000
2.5.	Productive Projects Coord./Half Time	Month	500	12	6,000
_	\$ub-Total			•	27,600
3	Travel and Perdiem	57 .			
3.1.	Air Round Fares Earth Round Fares	P/Travel P/Travel	300	10	3,000
3.2. 3.3.	Per-diem	P/Travei P/Day	50 50	25 50	1,250
5.5.	Sub-Total	P/Ddy	30	30	2,500 6,750
4	Humanitarian Services				0,130
4.1.	Food	P/week	50	52	2,600
	Medical Assistance, Medicines and Lab	P/Event	40	20	
4.2.	Exams, Etc.	•			800
4.3.	Cloths and Personal Articles	P/week/victim	100	12	1,200
	\$ub-Total				4,600
5	Bank Commission	Once	43	1	43
	TOTAL				60,000

PICTURES OF TRANSITIONAL HOMES, VOCATIONAL TRAININGS AND PRODUCTIVE PROJECTS 2013

















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