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“To empower a woman, give her technology”.

**SUPPORT RURAL WOMEN GROUP IN BOLE DISTRICT TO
GET MODERN SHEA BUTTER PROCESSING CENTRE**

THE ISSUE

Traditional Shea butter processing is tedious and energy sapping making most women to shy away from it. Consequently, women in Bole district collect Shea nuts and sell the raw nuts, earn one-time income at low price and remain unemployed and poor during the off farm season. To address this challenge, this Foundation in May 2018 secured, a small grant contribution of \$20,000 from UNDP in collaboration with MESTI (Ministry of Environment, Science, Technology and Innovation of Ghana) to develop two community cluster Shea butter processing centres for women in two communities to add value to their products through processing. The centres are be equipped with modern machines to eliminate the burden of traditional processing on the women and increase output. Construction of the two Shea butter processing centres and development training of co-operatives started in June 2018 and the project is expected to end in May 2019. Beneficiary communities have provided land, accommodation for artisans and support labour as their contribution to the project. They are also paying themselves the cost of registering with government agencies their respective co-operatives.

One of the processing centres under construction is complete awaiting commissioning. However, due to the limited funds provided and the rising cost of materials, the completion of the other processing centre at Ntereso has become a challenge. This fundraising campaign is to help us complete that project.

The two Processing centres when completed will provide 200 women and men in the target communities with opportunity for off farm season livelihood diversification strategy, increase production efficiency and incomes to reduce their climate change vulnerability to guarantee long term livelihood improvement though the production and sale of quality Shea butter for export and local market. Indirect beneficiaries are estimated at 1,580. They include children, dependents and spouses of the direct project beneficiaries.

ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUIRED

To help finance the funding gap, this campaign targets to raise an additional amount of Forty-Five Thousand, Six Hundred and Eighty five Ghana Cedis (**GHC45,685**) or **\$9000** USD or **€7,940** Euro to complete the project.

BUDGET BREAKDOWN (How the Money requested will be used)

SUMMARY OF BUDGET TO COMPLETE NTERESO SHEA BUTTER PROCESSING CENTRE			
Physical Works in Building & Structures	Amount GH¢	Amount \$USD	Amount €
Roofing & Ceiling works	12,229	2,409	2,125
Plastering & Concrete Works	10,446	2,058	1,815
Electrical Works	3,550	699	617
Painting	2,160	426	375
Construction of Clean Stove	1,800	355	313
Total of Physical Construction works	30,185	5,947	5,246
Total Cost of Machinery and Installation	12,500	2,463	2,172
Butter Processing Training Cost	1,500	296	261
Water storage and other materials	1,500	296	261
Total Cost to Complete Ntereso Project	45,685	9,000	7,940
<i>Bank of Ghana Exchange Rate Used 26th March, 2019. www.bog.gov.gh</i>	GHS	USD	EURO
		GHS5.076=\$1.00	GHS5.754=€1.00

HOW TO DONATE TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT.

Bank wire or transfer to our bank account Details below;

Bank: Zenith Bank Ghana Ltd, Tamale Branch.

Account Name: Pure Trust Social Investors Foundation

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 60 111 076 21.

BICC/Swift code ZEBLGHAC.

Country: Ghana.

KEY WORK DONE SO FAR:

- Four Shea butter co-operative groups with a membership of 316 formed in all four project communities.
- Experiential peer learning visits to similar group managed facility organized for the leadership of the groups.
- Construction of two processing Centres at various levels of completion underway at Chache and Ntereso
- Processing Machines and equipment bought for Chache processing Centre.
- Organized records keeping training for the groups.

Construction of Community Cluster Shea Butter Processing Centre

Figure 1: Chache Processing Centre completed.



Front view of Chache Shea butter processing centre under construction for women in Chache Community in the Bole District, Ghana



Side View of the Chache Shea butter Processing Centre. It has machine room, cooling and packaging room and storeroom for finished products. Some Machines below;



NTERESO PROCESSING CENTRE

The focus of this fundraising campaign is to complete the processing centre in picture below;

Figure 2: Ntereso Processing Centre yet to be roofed and completed.



Ntereso Community Shea Butter Processing Centre under Construction in the Bole District.

PROJECT COMPLETION TIMELINE AND WORK YET TO COMPLETE:

Timeline for completion of the project is 31st May, 2019.

Key Work to be done before completion date:

- Complete structural works at Ntereso processing centre. Roofing, electrical works, plastering, painting, connecting to VRA grid.
- Construct Climate Smart stoves at Ntereso.
- Organize quality butter processing training for project beneficiaries.
- Complete all grounds works at the two processing Centres.

BRIEF POVERTY PROFILE OF BOLE DISTRICT:

Bole District has a population of 61,593 (GSS:2010) comprising 51.4% males and 49.6% females. The rural population is 79%. The district is ranked second at 79.4% in terms of poverty incidence in the northern region of Ghana. Poverty depth in the district is 38.1% with inequality of 45.5. Women constitute the bulk of people in the district who are poor and also contributing to family unpaid works. Most women in the rural areas are Shea nut pickers which they sell to earn one-time income in a year at low prices. In spite of the high volumes of Shea gathered by women in the district, there are no major processing of Shea activity among the women due to drudgery of the traditional Shea butter processing process which is energy sapping. Access to modern processing machinery is a major challenge because of the high cost of establishing such facilities. Therefore despite the interest among the women to add value to their Shea nuts by processing into butter, they lack the financial capacity to set up modern micro processing centres equipped with the requisite machinery.

In its Medium Term Development Plan (2017), the district Assembly identified agro-processing including Shea butter processing as part of its critical needs. The weighted needs score for processing was 85 and ranked 19th on the needs grid. The quest to promote small scale businesses had a weighted needs score of 141 and ranked 4th on the needs grid. Our project to establish Shea butter processing centre is therefore in response to this need to contribute to reducing poverty in the district.

Figure 3: Project Beneficiaries Showing the Nuts to be processed.



Figure 4: Women Kneading Shea butter in a traditional way

ABOUT PTSIF

PTSIF is an active advocacy, social services and livelihood organization that works to provide spaces for equal participation in the economic and social opportunities spaces in Ghana in a gender sensitive and inclusive manner. Besides other programs, we commenced a project to increase awareness of cervical cancer among girls, women and their spouses. The purpose of this project is to bring to the attention of target population, knowledge and available screening, treatment, care and preventive opportunities available in the environment. Currently, we are an implementing partner of an advocacy project that seeks to promote marginalised women access and control of Shea Parklands to guarantee their long term investment. We are implementing this project in three districts in the northern part of Ghana namely North Gonja, East Mamprusi Municipal and Kasena Nankana Municipal. Under this project, we are building the capacity of the women leaders in advocacy skills to champion the change themselves. Together with the women, community sensitization programs have been done in three districts. We have also facilitated projects that have led to poor women having increased access to low cost credit to finance their microbusinesses as either peasant farmers or petty traders. In partnership with the Ministry of Science Technology and Innovation of Ghana and with a small grant contribution from United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) we are currently implementing a livelihood project in Bole District where we are development four Shea butter processing Centres in four Communities as part of the Climate Adaption project of the UNDP. Our Read Project in Education is working to promote and strengthen community reading culture and systems.

MISSION: The mission of PTSIF is to promote the economic security and social inclusion of the disadvantaged in Ghana through cooperation.

OUR PROGRAMMES: Advocacy & Rights. Livelihood. Health. Education. Governance. Natural Resource Governance. Financial Inclusion.

OUR IMPACT: 1,800 women and men micro-entrepreneurs and farmers linked to access microcredit to fund their businesses.

Figure 5: Women benefit from micro-credit project at Nalerigu



Learning Materials Supplied to Pupils at Daboya under our Read Project

Improving Maternal Health:-Cervical Cancer Project

A cross-section of the women linked to the SOS Clinic for the Cervical Cancer awareness and screening being educated.



Women Screened for Cervical Cancer showing their Card after the exercise.

ADVOCACY PROJECT IN SHEA:



Advocacy messages prepared by women group leaders advocating for the rights of marginalized and poor women to have unhindered access, ownership and control of Shea parklands in their respective communities.



Section of Participants at the District Stakeholders Engagement Meeting between Shea Women Leaders and Key Stakeholders on the right of women to own and control Shea parklands in their communities.

LEGAL IDENTITY

Company Limited by Guarantee. Registrar Generals Department (RGD) Business registration Number: CG108362014. Tax Identification Number C0003674754. Certificate of Recognition Number from Department of Social Development of the Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection, 6427. US D-U-N-S Number: 561 271 337.

SUPPORT US TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT.

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APPENDIX –Detail Budget

Detail Budget for Completion of Ntereso Shea Butter Processing Centre					
Items	Quantity	Unit Price GHC	Amount GHC	Amount \$USD	Amount €
Roofing:					
Packets of 2 Star Roofing Sheets	9	380	3,420	674	594
Packets of Roofing Nails	12	22	264	52	46
Box of other Nails	7	45	315	62	55
Gallon of Wood Prima	2	50	100	20	17
Quarter rod	10	5	50	10	9
5 Yards of felt	5	5	25	5	4
Metal Poles & Fabrication	6	150	900	177	156
Workmanship- Carpenter labour	1	2,000	2,000	394	348
Transport (materials & movements)	1	200	200	39	35
Total			7,274	1,433	1,264
Wood Expenses:					
2x6	25	23	575	113	100
2x4	210	12	2,520	496	438
Facial Boards	22	30	660	130	115
Total for wood			3,755	740	653
Ceiling of Storerooms					
Plywood	18	30	540	106	94
Ceiling joints 2x4	13	30	390	77	68
3 inches nails-box	1	45	45	9	8
4 inches nails-box	1	45	45	9	8
1 1/2 inches nails-pound	1	20	20	4	3
Ceiling buttons bundle	4	20	80	16	14
Transport	1	80	80	16	14

			1,200	236	209
Total Wood works			12,229	2,409	2,125
Plastering Works					
Cement Bags	70	40	2,800	552	487
Seasand	5	150	750	148	130
Aggregate stones	3	200	600	118	104
Gravel	7	170	1,190	234	207
Water	1	500	500	99	87
Transport	1	506	506	100	88
Metal Doors & Windows	1	2100	2,100	414	365
Labour	1	2000	2,000	394	348
Total for plastering			10,446	2,058	1,815
Electricals					
Materials	1	700	700	138	122
Labour (Complete work)	1	500	500	99	87
Transport for field Office	1	150	150	30	26
VRA Grid	1	2,200	2,200	433	382
Total for Electrical works			3,550	699	617
Painting					
Buckets of Azar Emulsion Paint deep Pink	11	65	715	141	124
Gallons of oil Paint	7	60	420	83	73
Gallon of Putting Filler	1	55	55	11	10
Gallon of white emulsion paint-ceiling	2	65	130	26	23
Gallons of Petrol	6	20	120	24	21
Sand Paper-rough	1	20	20	4	3
Labour	1	600	600	118	104
Transport materials & Field Officer	1	100	100	20	17
Total for Painting works			2,160	426	375
Total for Building Works			28,385	5,592	4,933

Morrison stove	1	1,800	1,800	355	313
Total for Physical works			30,185	5,947	5,246
Training	1	2,000	1,500	296	261
Machines	1	1	12,500	2,463	2,172
Support Materials	1	1	1,500	296	261
Grand Total Amount Needed			45,685	9,000	7,940
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