ACCESS TO EDUCATION TO UNDER PREVILEDGED CHILDREN SCHOOL PROJECT

ORGANIZATION PROFILE

Tororo Women and Disabled Person Development Initiative (TWADDI) is a registered organization working to improve lives of the marginalized. It was started in 2010 but registered in 2014; (Reg. No. 018/2014); with major emphasis on creating accessibility to Education, Agriculture, environment & development Scheme. TWADDI is blessed to own the land on which school is located, dully owned by the organization.

Execute duties in respectfully and do what is acceptable in our principles of Equality for all; development process that promotes equality and access to equal opportunities. Uphold the rights and dignity of all people. Hard work and Team work, collaboration with stakeholders. Honest and abide by strong moral principles.

Ensure children have access to education that is meaningful, make sure Girls are not excluded from education, because they are girls. Promote equal respect of boy and girls; efforts are made to increase access to education.

PROJECT PROFILE:

TWADDI started up a community school; many children did not attend school; before we started with 20 children in 2018, but now the number is increasing we have 180, we have been able, to run the school on the very minimum resources available; to disadvantaged children, all children receive good quality education. School Location: Auyo Village. Parish: Ojilai. Sub County: Iyolwa: District: Tororo in Uganda;

School Name: Jollyfant Community Nursery & Primary School. School Vision: To be a Model Primary School School Mission: To empower children with intellectual, Spiritual and vocational skills. School Motto: Toil for your future. Current Enrollment: 180. Teaching Staff members: 7. Non-Teaching staff Members: 2. Current school facilities: Classrooms: 5 Staff room: 1 Latrines: 1 Kitchen: 1

It started in 2018 with commitment of TWADDI members as a seed project to provide equitable education services to disadvantaged children forging a bright future, serving as a model for other schools. We provide exercise books, pens and pencils since children cannot afford these materials. The school has grown with backing of community, in whom it has won trust. With poverty to most parents, quality education remains a dream.

Your support will directly help give the impoverished children of Auyo the school buildings and facilities which will ensure they receive a proper education. Textbooks are vital to providing a high quality education. We have far too few and are stored in piles on the ground. This project will provide shelves for the books, plus tables and chairs for the children to learn from.

PROJECT GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- To improve and expand the existing school to house more pupils so as to increase on the number of the sponsored under privileged children, with better facilities.
- By providing these essential supplies, we are enhancing the quality of education and learning to effectively make sure that the school can survive in proceeding with its goal.
- Early Marriage Prevention initiative resulting from educating girls which take them many years in school, effectively helps girls resist pressures to marry early and dropout of school.

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM

Tororo district has the lowest school enrollment, due to the high cost of attending school which prevents children from receiving education, yet good education is the key to breaking the cycle of poverty.

Majority of the population live in poverty, Most of the children are left with their poor grandparents and some are left homeless, alongside those with living parents but who are in abject poverty in the area, the challenge still remains the distribution of the fully government funded Universal Primary Education schools.

Most girls in the project area marry at a tender age of below 14 and miss out on education that can help them avoid a life of poverty, abuse, and infant and maternal mortality. Girls enter early marriages and they suffer from childbirth complications, domestic and sexual abuse, high infant mortality and poverty.

Cultural norms believe women opinions are not really important; Men believe are the only ones who know what is best for women. The project will prove that they have abilities to contribute to society development.

School latrines and washing facilities are very poor, the project will create proper facilities which will assist with the self-esteem of the teachers and stop them leaving to go elsewhere.

JUSTIFICATION FOR THE PROJECT

The magnitude and complexity of the problem of lack of access to education in Auyo and villages around cannot be ignored. Most pupils indicated that they had to work on farms in order to grow food to eat. Such children can never be able to complete their education, majority of the children living in the area, and living in the surrounding areas are orphans. Others are children from families where parents put little emphasis to educating their children.

The conclusion therefore, is that our buildings can no longer accommodate the ever increasing pupil numbers. And as our job and obligation, the Executive committee of TWADDI came up with this concept in order to design and to counteract this problem there are many children who do not have access to basic education.

These are less privileged children to whom access to education remains a distant dream through your partnerships for support to construct other blocks to accommodate the children to expand the capacity of this existing school to enroll more children; to make them become responsible citizens of tomorrow.

If a girl receives seven or more years of education she will marry four years later, have fewer children, and be much less likely to die in childbirth or be abused by a husband. Education starts a virtuous cycle in which these girls, their children and generations to come will all have better, more peaceful lives.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project will improve the existing structures; shuttering/ flooring, and roofing the other which hasn't been roofed. The project will build classroom block; this means that many children will receive education.

Construct a water tank to harvest plentiful rain from roofs of buildings to provide safe drinking water and water for cooking, washing and hygiene. Without water storage the school either has to pay someone to collect water, money we don't have, or children have to walk to collect water during day instead of spending time learning in the classroom, or rely on a drum where the water is only available after it has rained.

The school only has few poles with a small amount of shelter as their kitchen. This project will give an area to cook in away from the rain, an area to serve the food, plus a lockable store for any foraged wood for the fire and a place to store maize for the children's porridge and can no longer get stolen. The school would no longer store wood and grain in the office and classroom.

Children need to have fun during their playtime, this project will provide slide, swings and a witches' hat roundabout to keep them playing and love to come to school every day.

We lack musical instrument packages communities, love their music and it is essential for a education, sport is an essential part of a child's learning the project will provide a combination of music and sports packages.

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN

As an organization, we have done the following for the Project. Assess the need for expansion of the existing school through holding consultative community meetings with the concerned village- based stakeholders. Continued use of the funds solicited from the group members to put in place the existing structures to start as the first tangible step towards achieving our bigger dream and Provide basic education to vulnerable children.

EXPECTED PROJECT IMPACT

- The project will increase pupil enrollment creating greater opportunity for underprivileged community children, Better facilities will improve school performance; this will enable children to compete favorably.
- The facilities will be used for community functions like immunization, Voting and other public gathering;
- The increased number of pupils will enlarge the local market for the villagers for their fruits, sugarcanes etc
- The construction project itself will create employment for the villagers like casual laborers.
- The school will conduct hands on skill training from which it will create job opportunities to young mothers.
- This will help children to stay in school and complete their education and pursue their desired profession.
- Healthy, well-educated and emancipated women are an excellent foundation for a new and free society.
- Children offered quality education to pursue their dreams to become independent and self-sufficient.
- An educated girl is less likely to marry & have children while she herself is still a child
- An educated girl is more likely to be literate, healthy & survive into adulthood as are her children.
- An educated girl is less likely to be vulnerable to abuse, exploitation & disease.