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Project Title:

“Recovery and Reintegration Support for 10,000 Prisoners in Ethiopia”

URL (Vanity): <https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/recovery-support-prisoners-ethiopia>

Funding Goal: \$1,000,000

Project Duration: 5 Years (60 Months)

Key Themes

Primary:

1. Promoting humane treatment, rehabilitation, and dignity for prisoners.
2. Providing psychological support, trauma healing, and counseling services.
3. Reducing reoffending through skills training and reintegration support.

Secondary:

1. Improving prison conditions through hygiene, sanitation, and health services.
2. Empowering prisoners with education and vocational training.
3. Strengthening family reunification and social reintegration pathways.

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“Ensuring that no one is left behind in the pursuit of a better life.”



Project Summary

No One Down Relief Organization (NODRO) will implement a 5-year national rehabilitation initiative to support 10,000 prisoners across federal and regional correctional facilities in Ethiopia, including Oromia, Amhara, Tigray, Afar, Somali, Addis Ababa, and SNNPR.

The project will focus on:

- ✓ Psychological recovery and trauma healing programs.
- ✓ Educational and vocational skills training (carpentry, tailoring, ICT, metalwork).
- ✓ Health and hygiene improvement.
- ✓ Legal aid support for vulnerable detainees.
- ✓ Reintegration training, mentorship, and post-release support.

The project will:

- ✓ Provide trauma counseling and psychosocial support to 10,000 inmates.
- ✓ Deliver literacy and vocational training to 3,000 prisoners.
- ✓ Improve prison hygiene, water access, and sanitation for 5,000 inmates.
- ✓ Train 500 prison staff in humane treatment and rehabilitation approaches.
- ✓ Facilitate family reintegration visits for 2,000 prisoners.

Impact: Restoring dignity, reducing crime recurrence, and building safer communities.

Pressing Issue and the Problem

Ethiopia's prisons face chronic challenges:

- ✓ Over 35% of inmates suffer untreated trauma (Federal Prison Commission, 2024).
- ✓ Many prisoners lack basic hygiene, clean water, and healthcare.
- ✓ Limited access to education and skills perpetuates poverty-driven crime.
- ✓ High reoffending rates due to lack of reintegration support.
- ✓ Children of incarcerated parents face emotional and economic hardship.

Without intervention:

- ✓ Prisoners remain trapped in cycles of poverty and trauma.
- ✓ Reoffending continues, increasing community insecurity.
- ✓ Mental health crises remain untreated.
- ✓ Released prisoners struggle to rebuild their lives.



How the Project Will Solve the Problems (Solution)

Over 5 years, NODRO will implement a holistic rehabilitation model that integrates recovery, skills, and reintegration:

- ✓ Provide trauma counseling, group therapy, and mental health support.
- ✓ Deliver vocational training: carpentry, tailoring, agriculture, ICT.
- ✓ Improve hygiene and sanitation: WASH kits, cleaning materials, water tanks.
- ✓ Strengthen prison libraries with educational books.
- ✓ Train prison officers on human rights and rehabilitation.
- ✓ Provide legal aid to vulnerable detainees.
- ✓ Support reintegration: job linkage, mentorship, family counseling.

Key Activities and Budget Breakdown

Activity	Target	Estimated Cost
Psychosocial support & trauma healing	10,000 prisoners	\$250,000
Vocational & educational training (kits, tools, trainers)	3,000 prisoners	\$200,000
Hygiene & sanitation improvement (WASH kits, cleaning tools)	5,000 beneficiaries	\$150,000
Legal aid & rights awareness	2,000 inmates	\$70,000
Training for prison staff (human rights & rehabilitation)	500 staff	\$80,000
Reintegration support (job linkage, counseling)	2,000 prisoners	\$100,000
Family reunification & social support	1,500 families	\$50,000
Monitoring, evaluation & reporting	Baseline/endline + quarterly	\$50,000
Program staff, administration & logistics	Project team	\$50,000
Total		\$1,000,000



Potential Long-Term Impact

- ✓ 10,000 prisoners receive rehabilitation and recovery support.
- ✓ National reoffending rates reduced by 40%.
- ✓ Prisoners gain skills for employment and self-reliance.
- ✓ Stronger families and safer communities.
- ✓ A replicable model for rehabilitation across Ethiopia.

Sustainability

After project completion:

- ✓ Trained prison staff continue implementing recovery and skills programs.
- ✓ Prison vocational centers remain active with provided tools and equipment.
- ✓ Local government and community partners support reintegration efforts.
- ✓ Graduates become mentors for new prisoners.

Donation Options

- ✓ **\$10** – Provides hygiene kits for one inmate.
- ✓ **\$25** – Supports one counseling session.
- ✓ **\$50** – Provides vocational training materials for one prisoner.
- ✓ **\$100** – Supports reintegration counseling for an inmate.
- ✓ **\$250** – Covers trauma rehabilitation for 5 prisoners.
- ✓ **\$500** – Equips a vocational training workshop.
- ✓ **\$1,000** – Supports full rehabilitation and reintegration for 10 prisoners.
- ✓ **\$5,000** – Establishes a full skills-training unit in one prison.
- ✓ **\$10,000** – Funds a comprehensive rehabilitation module in one facility.

Coordination and Community Engagement

- ✓ Ministry of Justice, Federal Prison Commission.
- ✓ Regional prison administrations.
- ✓ Community and faith-based organizations.
- ✓ Private sector partners for job linkage.

Why Trust NODRO?

- ✓ Proven track record in humanitarian and development interventions across Ethiopia.
- ✓ Transparent budgeting and independent annual audits.
- ✓ Strong government partnership and community trust.
- ✓ Experience in psychosocial support, livelihood programs, and rights-based approaches.

Photos

Primary Photo 1: Prisoners participating in vocational training (carpentry).



Primary Photo 2: Group counseling session led by NODRO psychosocial team.



Primary Photo 3: Reintegrated youth starting a business with skills learned in prison.





Monitoring & Reporting Plan

- ✓ Quarterly narrative and financial reports.
- ✓ Impact evaluation and success stories.
- ✓ Beneficiary feedback through surveys.

Key Metrics:

- ✓ Number of prisoners receiving psychosocial support.
- ✓ Vocational graduates employed or self-employed.
- ✓ Reduction in reoffending.
- ✓ Improved hygiene and mental health indicators.

KPIs:

- ✓ 10,000 prisoners supported.
- ✓ 3,000 trained in vocational skills.
- ✓ 2,000 reintegrated successfully.
- ✓ 40% reduction in relapse to crime.

Project Location:

Federal and Regional Prisons in: Oromia, Amhara, Tigray, Afar, Somali, SNNPR, and Addis Ababa.

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✿ Project Motto

“Restore dignity. Rebuild lives. Strengthen communities.”