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### **Project Title:**

Building a Self-Sustaining Learning, Skills, and Health Center for Vulnerable Children in Uganda

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### **1. Executive Summary**

Village Vision Care (VVC) is a community-based organization in Uganda dedicated to empowering vulnerable children and youth through education, skills training, health care, and holistic support. Many children in Uganda, especially orphans, children with disabilities, street children, children from abusive or extremely poor homes, and those in child-headed households, face serious barriers to education and safety. They walk long distances to overcrowded, under-resourced schools, face high risks of early pregnancy and abuse, and lack access to health care, safe water, and practical skills that can lead to employment.

This project aims to build and operate a self-sustaining Learning, Skills, and Health Center in Uganda. The center will combine early childhood and primary education with vocational training, talent development, health services, agriculture, and income-generating activities. Key components include classrooms, library, ICT lab, skills labs, a bakery, poultry and agriculture units, a solar-powered borehole, a health center, and trucks for construction and bakery delivery. The project seeks to raise USD 1,000,000 to support multi-year construction, equipping, and operation of the center.

Through this integrated approach, vulnerable children will access quality education, talent development (piano & guitar lessons) nutritious meals, safe water, health care, mentorship, and practical skills in areas such as tailoring, knitting and embroidery, bakery, crafts, leather and shoe making, reusable sanitary pad production, computer and phone repair, Briquettes making skills to protect the environment and agriculture. Girls will receive specific support to manage menstruation with dignity and avoid early

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pregnancy. As they grow into skilled, confident, and self-reliant adults, they will be able to support their families, contribute to their communities, and break the cycle of poverty.

## **2. Problem Statement**

In many communities in Uganda, vulnerable children face multiple, interconnected challenges. Children from extremely poor families, orphans, street-connected children, and those exposed to abuse and neglect have very limited access to quality education and care. Government schools are often overcrowded, with large class sizes, inadequate teaching materials, and limited ability to provide individual attention or psychosocial support. As a result, many children fall behind especially those with disabilities, lose hope, and eventually drop out of school.

Girls face additional risks and barriers. Many must walk long distances to reach school, exposing them to harassment, abuse, and the risk of early pregnancy. Menstrual challenges, including lack of sanitary pads, privacy, and safe sanitation facilities, cause many girls to miss class or drop out entirely. Without targeted support, girls are more likely to marry early, leave school, and remain trapped in poverty.

Health care access is also limited. Many families cannot afford medical services, and children suffer from preventable illnesses linked to poor sanitation, unsafe water, and malnutrition. Elderly people without family support often go without care. At the same time, youth unemployment is high, and most young people lack practical skills that would allow them to start small businesses or secure decent jobs.

Without safe learning spaces, health services, clean water, and practical, marketable skills, vulnerable children and youth have little chance to build a better future. They remain dependent, at risk of exploitation, and unable to break the cycle of poverty affecting their families and communities.

## **3. Project Description and Solution**

Village Vision Care (VVC) proposes to build and operate a self-sustaining Learning, Skills, and Health Center that responds directly to these challenges. The center will provide a safe, nurturing environment where vulnerable children especially children with disabilities can access education, skills training, health care, safe water, and psychosocial support under one integrated program.

### **3.1 Key Components**

The project will include the following components:

- **Early Childhood and Primary Education Wing:** Classrooms for nursery and primary classes, providing quality basic education, literacy and numeracy support, and child-friendly teaching methods. Teachers will be trained to work with vulnerable children and those with learning difficulties, ensuring that no child is left behind.
- **Skills Training Wing:** Practical training in knitting and embroidery, tailoring, bakery, leather and shoe making, crafts, and production of reusable sanitary pads. These skills will allow youth to generate income, start small businesses, or access employment.
- **ICT and Repair Training:** Training in computer literacy, phone repair, and computer repair to equip youth with digital and technical skills that are increasingly demanded in the job market.

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- **Agriculture and Poultry:** Demonstration gardens, poultry units, and livestock (including cows, goats and sheep) to provide practical training in farming and animal husbandry. These activities will support school feeding with fresh food and milk, and generate income for the center.
- **Bakery Unit:** A bakery runs as both a training space and an income-generating activity. Products will support school meals and be sold to the community. A delivery truck will help distribute bakery products and increase outreach.
- **Health Center:** A basic health facility to serve the children at the center and the surrounding community. Elderly people without care will receive services for free, while other community members will pay an affordable sustainable fee. The health center will focus on preventive care, treatment of common illnesses, maternal and child health, and health education.
- **Solar-Powered Borehole and Water System:** A borehole with solar pumping to provide safe water for the school and the community will pay an affordable sustainable fee. Access to clean water will improve health, support agriculture and livestock, and reduce the burden on children and women who often travel long distances to fetch water.
- **Transport and Construction Support:** Trucks to support construction, transportation of materials, and later to deliver bakery products and supplies for the school and center activities.
- **Mentorship and Psychosocial Support:** Regular mentoring sessions focusing on life skills, leadership, financial literacy, health, and personal development. Special attention will be given to girls' protection, menstrual hygiene management, and prevention of early pregnancy.

#### **4. Project Objectives**

The main objectives of the project are to:

- Provide safe, quality early childhood and primary education for vulnerable children.
- Equip children and youth with practical vocational and digital skills for self-employment and employment.
- Improve access to health care for children, youth, and vulnerable community members, including the elderly.
- Ensure access to safe water for the school and surrounding community.
- Reduce school dropouts, early pregnancy, and exploitation, especially among girls.
- Promote self-reliance and sustainable livelihoods for beneficiaries and their families.
- Strengthen the capacity of Village Vision Care (VVC) to support vulnerable children and communities in the long term.

#### **5. Long-Term Impact**

Over time, this project will contribute to lasting change for children, their families, and the wider community. Children who graduate from the center will have both formal education and practical skills,

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enabling them to secure jobs or start their own income-generating activities. Girls will be better protected from early marriage and pregnancy, and will have the knowledge and confidence to make informed decisions about their lives.

Families will benefit from improved health services, access to safe water, and opportunities to participate in training and income-generating activities. The community will have a local health center, bakery, and agricultural demonstration sites that create jobs and provide affordable services.

By promoting education, skills, and health, the project will help break the cycle of poverty and dependency. Graduates of the program will be equipped to support themselves and their families, invest in their children's education, and contribute positively to the development of their communities. The center will also serve as a model for integrated, self-sustaining community development.

**6. Budget Overview (Summary)**

The total estimated budget for this multi-year project is USD 1,000,000. The budget will cover construction, equipment, staffing, operations, and income-generating components. A simplified budget summary is provided below:

Budget Item	Estimated Cost (USD)	Percentage of Total
Construction of classrooms, skills labs, and health center	350,000	35%
Equipment and tools for skills training, ICT, bakery, and health center	200,000	20%
Solar-powered borehole and water system	80,000	8%
Agriculture and poultry setup	70,000	7%
Trucks for construction, delivery, and school support	100,000	10%
Staff salaries (teachers, health workers, support staff)—multi-year	120,000	12%
Meals, child support, and program activities – multi-year	60,000	6%
Monitoring, evaluation, and administration	20,000	2%

A detailed budget can be provided upon request and will be adjusted as quotations, designs, and implementation phases are refined. Village Vision Care (VVC) maintains audited financial statements and transparent financial management systems to ensure accountability and effective use of funds.

## **7. About Village Vision Care (VVC)**

Village Vision Care (VVC) is a Uganda-based organization committed to empowering vulnerable children, youth, and communities through education, health, and livelihood initiatives. VVC works with orphans, street-connected children, children from poor and abusive homes, and other vulnerable groups to restore hope and create pathways to a better future.

The organization has experience managing significant project funds, implementing community-based programs, and working with local and international partners. VVC is guided by values of transparency, accountability, compassion, and respect for the dignity and potential of every child.

## **8. Contact Information**

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## **9. Appeal and Commitment**

Village Vision Care (VVC) humbly invites your partnership in making this vision a reality. By supporting this project, you will help vulnerable children in Uganda access education, skills, health care, safe water, and protection, so they can build dignified and self-reliant lives.

VVC has experience managing significant project funds and working with vulnerable communities, and we are committed to the highest standards of transparency, accountability, and professionalism. We will use all resources entrusted to us carefully and responsibly, and we will share updates and results with our partners.

Together, we can transform the lives of children, support families, and strengthen communities for generations to come. Driving impact together!.

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