

Grant Request to SD USA for the Lemba-Imbu School (The Democratic Republic of Congo)

December 29th, 2008

Organization requesting a grant:

Groupe Scolaire Susila Dharma de Lemba-Imbu (GSSD Lemba-Imbu)

Lemba-Imbu SD School Group

Address of organization:

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It is possible to reach Charlotte thru e-mail, but she has got to travel 10 miles to get to the nearest cyber-café, and much further when it is not working. During rain-season, it is much more difficult to go out of Lemba-Imbu as even the 4X4 wheel-drive vehicles find it near impossible to travel on the local roads. (note from Arnaud)

Head of the organization:

NDONA-MUINI Charlotte

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Project Manager:

NTENDI SANTU Paul Gaston

Santu is Charlotte's husband .

Same address and phone numbers.

The Lemba-Imbu SD School Group is a non-profit organization and is a member of SD DRC, a Development NGO legally acknowledged by the DRC Government and that has obtained the import duties exemption.

Amount of the requested grant: Running of the school: USD 9 597

Infirmary: USD 6 582

Duration of support: 1 year

Date of request: December 29th, 2008

SUPPORT TO THE RUNNING OF THE SCHOOL:

1- Name and address of project:

Lemba-Imbu School Group
1 rue Luzizila
Lemba-Imbu

2- Management of project:

Santu Ntendi Paul-Gaston (Promoter & in charge of PRs)
Ndona Muini Charlotte (Headmistress)

3-Short history of project:

The school was created in 1995 in a very destitute, underdeveloped and enclosed area of Kinshasa. It is very difficult to access. (see previous translator's note) Many Subud members and SDI know about the school and the difficulties it has to face. The school has been benefitting of the support of SDI and several national or local SDs (France, Holland, Norway, USA), the Blond Trust and Lienhard Berger, etc.
During the last 14 years, the school provided primary education to around 6300 children.

4- Description of activity:

The L-I school is a primary school for boys and girls without any social, financial or other restriction. It does great service to the local community as owing to the geographical and economical conditions, it is also undereducated. The area has more than 6 000 children who have to go to school each year, over a 16 000 population inhabiting 9 villages.

5- Direct beneficiaries:

- 486 pupils between 5 to 18years old will be able to complete their school year; 86 orphans or destitute children are cared of by the schools.
- a staff of 15, including 9 teachers for 9 forms, 4 administration staff, 1 worker and 1 guard, who can earn minimum regular wages to be able to survive.

6- Difficulties:

A critical and chronic poverty condition: most of the parents are doing market gardening, and see their gardens destroyed by floods at rain-season. It is so difficult to produce crops to make a living that life in Lemba-Imbu can be lived only on a day-to-day basis, which means that nobody can be sure of the day after.

7-8- What we are doing to solve them:

We are trying to sensitize the parents so that they try to find perhaps only a little something to contribute to help the school find summary ways to survive... But with the present situation, as long as the solution to fight against poverty has still not been implemented within our country, we are condemned to live this suffering without being able to know for how long! We are keeping on encouraging the parents to get together and organize into small saving and credit associations to make it possible to our communities to develop with hope.

9- Indicators:

When no pupils is leaving school for financial reasons and all complete their September to July school year, when there is no more group resignation of teachers, then we can say that the conditions have improved.

10- Risks:

If we could evaluate the risks, there will be none as long as the teachers are feeling appeased, if only at 60%.

11- Non-financial resources:

- a) The teachers, the administration and workers, all working in the school; the management team since always:
The head of the school, the parents' committee, a teachers' representative, the administrative secretary.
- b) The market gardening area.
- c) We are trying to get the support of UNICEF's; World Vision tried to help a few sponsored children for 2 years, but this has been discontinued now. Our only hope stays with SDI and our devoted donors.

12- Income:

The meager income comes from the school fees contributed by the parents of the pupils on a voluntary basis. School fee has been set at \$8 per quarter for a child.

13- Amount requested for every school year:

\$9 597 for covering the salaries during the year (11 months paid).

14- How can the project be helped?

- a) Supporting the infirmary that needs a maximum of 5 people.
- b) Supporting the market gardening activity that improves the meals and makes money for the school.

15- Other co-operations:

Through SDI, we are getting the support of SD France, Norway, USA, Lienhard Berger, the Blond trust, etc ...

16- This grant will be channelled through Charlotte's Bank account, but will be managed by the School Committee that is elected by the General Assembly of the parents of the pupils.

17- Yes, we may receive money from overseas through SD DRC.

18-Charlotte's bank account.

19- NDONA MUINI Charlotte

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GS SD Lemba-Imbu

Budget 2008-2009 U\$D

N°	Item	Unit cost	Cost/ month	Cost/ year
1	Salaries:			
1.1	Teachers : 9 X\$62,5 11 months	62,5	562,50	6187,50
1.2	Administration: work 7.20AM 7.20PM			
	- director: \$90 X 11months	90		
	- PR: \$80 X 11months	80		
	- secretary: \$70 X 11months	70		
	- guard: \$50 X 11months	50		
	- worker: \$20 X 11months	20	310,00	3410,00
1	Total Salaries		872,50	9597,50
2	Running costs			
2.1	Admin. Costs	325,89		
2.2	State/Province: SONAS-DGR/RPR	160,71		
2.3	Fees on Admin. Staff (full time)	602,67		
2.4	Staff Health Care	571,42		
2.5	Travels and Communications	116,00		
2.6	Training and Staff Meetings	303,57		
2.7	School Supplies	321,42		2401,68
3	Total expenses			11999,18

SUPPORT TO THE SCHOOL INFIRMARY:**1- Name and address of project:**

Lemba-Imbu School Group
Infirmary
rue Onatra N°30
Lemba-Imbu

2- Management of project:

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Ndona Muini Charlotte (Headmistress)

3-Short history of project:

The school was created in 1995 in a very destitute, underdeveloped and enclosed area of Kinshasa.

4- Description of activity:

This sanitary project was initiated for 2 main reasons:

1. Lemba-Imbu is a place where there are many difficulties and endemic illnesses that are a menace to the population. There is no reference or viable health centre to take care of our primary health care other than a few emergency dispensaries. Thus, with the impact of the school on the local and neighbouring population (around 16,000 inhabitants in the district), the health zone (sanitary authorities) and the community asked us if we could do something in that field. We said okay and bought the house that was in need of rehabilitation with the Blond Trust's 2005 grant.
2. Our pupils and staff have many health problems, and to get medical care outside our area is impossible because too expensive. We want to have our own centre to fulfil the needs of the community and of the school; it will contribute a little to the running of the school.

5- Beneficiaries:

- 486 pupils;
- 15 staff;
- members of the Lemba-Imbu local and neighbouring community;
- 86 pupils who are orphans and destitute are cared for by the school;
- Subud members in need.

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10-The building needs rehabilitation

- a.
- b. We have got: a place, volunteers, sand, our partner's equipment till we are able to get ours.
- c. We get the moral support of the community and their encouragement to create local development initiatives that are changing their life condition.

11- Other grants:

We have not yet obtained any grant.

12- Requested Amount: \$6 582

Total estimated cost: \$7 932

Local contribution: \$1 350

Requested amount: \$6 582

13- Life of the project:

Once the activity started, it will not stop, as the income generated by the health care will enable to pay the staff (maximum 5 people), to purchase the medical supplies and part will contribute to the school income: - 50% running of infirmary

- 30% purchasing medical supplies

- 15% school cashbox,
- 5% amortization.

14- We are co-operating with SD organizations through SDI that has got every data since the start of our basic activity that is a social and humanitarian school.

15- As usual, this grant will be received by SD DRC and delivered to the school managing committee constituted by: the headmistress, a member of the parents' committee, the delegate of the teachers and the school secretary.

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