THE FRIENDLY HAVEN

Sponsorship program for orphans and children in need



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1. What is 'The Friendly Haven'?

The Friendly Haven is a special program for orphans, children living in the streets or with HIV/AIDS. It was launched in 2008 by four togolese NGOs and a French volunteer. It is based in Atakpamé, a city in the center of Togo, West Africa. The Friendly Haven provides school supplies, school fees, food, clothes and medical assistance to children in need. It also has a special income generating program for widows, launched successfully two years ago. And last but not least, the Friendly Haven is about to build an orphanage and youth development center.

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NGOs taking part

- *CRAC (Reflexion and Action Circle for Cohesion)*: www.ongcrac.populus.ch : the most active NGO of the program, created in 2000, winner of the Women's World Summit Foundation Prize in 2006
- Akaralé and CREJe (Reflection Circle for the Empowerment of Youth): two local NGOs working for those living with HIV/AIDS, provinding them with medical and psychological assistance
- *CRAPEF*: an NGO to empower women and young girls, both financially and psychologically
- *CARITAS Atakpamé*: http://www.caritas-africa.org/togo.htm : the togolose branch of Caritas International, working for education, providing training, fighting poverty and hunger,...

New partners in 2011:

- Le Salut Togo: http://www.onglesalut-togo.org/: a local NGO to fight poverty and promote democracy
- Femmes plus and Assistance Plus: two NGOs to help women with AIDS and women faced with judicial issues
- Departemental Direction of Social Affairs: the local branch of the Ministry of Social Affairs
- *AFSADE*: a french NGO for the promotion of cultural exchange between French and African children.

2. ACHIEVEMENTS in 2010 - 2011

- Supporting 200 children from 1 month to 18-years-old, bringing them back to school with new school supplies, providing for their school fees, their food, their medical needs and clothes.
- Organizing special events for the children: parties for Christmas, Easter and cultural activities.
- Supporting two groups of 15 widows each in their income generating activities, helping them to develop their own business to become totally autonomous and support their families.
- Giving several training sessions for the widows, in management, health and sanitary issues, HIV/AIDS prevention, the togolese judicial and inheritance system.
- Organizing special events in August for the International Day of African Women, with a special attention brought to the medias who reported our activities in the whole country.
- Buving 28 acres of land for our future Ophenage and Youth Development Center





Food distribution

Easter party

3. OUR AIMS FOR THE YEAR TO COME

- Supporting 250 orphans, finding them host families and helping them in all aspects of their everyday lives
- Going on supporting our two group of widows, making them totally independant financially and able to support other women in situation of poverty
- Digging a well on the land we bought, in order to build an orphenage and Youth Development Center for 40 children
- Organizing a summer camp for 50 French children to meet with our Togolese orphans, with special cultural and sport activities and making of a short movie.

4. BUDGET FOR THE LAST SCHOOL YEAR (2010/2011)

Expenses	In CFAs	In Euros	In US \$	% of total
Children sponsoring program : school fees and supplies	1 180 000	1 800	2 430	21 %
Children sponsoring program: health issues	507 000	775	1 046	9 %
Children sponsoring program: Food and clothes	557 000	850	1 148	10 %
Fund for the income-generating activities of the widows	589 000	900	1 215	11 %
Piece of land of 14 acres	2 000 000	3 050	4 118	36%
Cultural events and parties	393 000	600	810	7 %
Training sessions	279 000	425	573	5 %
Communication and administrative expenses in Togo	65 000	100	135	1 %
(considering we only have volunteer workers)				
TOTAL	5 570 000	8 500 €	11 475	100%

Income	In CFAs	In Euros	In US \$	% of total
Donations from individual sponsors	328 000	500	675	6 %
Donations from companies, banks,	4 716 000	7 200	9 720	84 %
Support from local partners	132 000	200	270	2 %
Local fundings	394 000	600	810	8 %
TOTAL	5 570 000	8 500 €	11 475	100 %

5. WHAT WE NEED FOR THE YEAR TO COME

Going on sponsoring our 250 children and 30 widows : 4 000 €

■ Digging our well: 26 000 €

Starting to build our orphenage and Youth Development Center : 22 800 €

TOTAL: 52 800 €

6. HOW TO SUPPORT THE PROGRAM AND BECOME A SPONSOR?

If you wish to be part of 'The Friendly Haven', we welcome you and thank you!

To make a donation, please contact the French fundraiser of the Program: Ms Bénédicte VAPPEREAU.

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