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SUMMARY

Name, contact details and principal objective of the project sponsor

Prince Mossi Association established 16th November 2004 as a non-profit international solidarity organisation according to French law of July 1st 1901

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Motto :

« *Take responsibility through education, literacy and technical training* »

One Mission

Support the development of the girls and young women in the Kaya family centre, in the farm school of Zimsa, and in the literacy centre of Tangasgo in Burkina Faso

Two Objectives

Professional training of girls and women

Strengthening the productivity and the social capacity of the practical farm at Zimsa

Three Locations

One domestic science centre at Kaya

One literacy centre at Tangasgo

One farm school at Zimsa

Specific objectives

- ▶ Basic literacy
- ▶ Strengthening acquired knowledge
- ▶ Training for women and girls in 3 properly equipped buildings
- ▶ Health awareness courses
- ▶ Preparation for Domestic Science Certificate and the BEPC (Certificate of Secondary Education)
- ▶ Agriculture, animal husbandry, market gardening, dairy production (10 cows)
- ▶ Creation of micro farms
- ▶ Sponsorship of 40 children
- ▶ Educational support for the youngest during school holidays

Use literacy and training in revenue producing skills to give the girls and women of Kaya and its surrounding villages the means to succeed professionally and achieve financial independence.

Indeed learning to read and write is the first step away from poverty. However this has to be accompanied by technical training to give to each the essential tools she needs to manage her own future.

In our work contributing to the socio-economic development of the people in the Kaya-Barsalogho area, ACEED has learnt how important it is to accompany our trainees in the practice of their skills.

This training is designed and carried out at the request of the people and with the agreement of the local authorities. In order to have good conditions for learning in properly equipped buildings, ACEED and Price Mossi incorporate into their projects such things as access to drinking water, to solar energy, and to toilets. Also we are involved in the fight against deforestation through establishment of tree plantations and the purchase of solar ovens. In addition we have been sponsoring the education of 40 children for the past 7 years.

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Barnabé Ouédraogo, president and founder of ACEED, Criado Association for the personal fulfilment of Deprived Children.

He works with the future project beneficiaries. Mr Ouédraogo is responsible for the smooth progress of the courses and control of acquired skills in collaboration with regional burkinabé supervisors. He sends expense documentation and activity reports to the Prince Mossi association and provides supporting photos and video data.

Geographical location

- ▶ Kaya, a town of 54265 inhabitants (2006 census), in the north central province of Sanmatenga, Burkina Faso, West Africa.
- ▶ Zimsa village of 1400 inhabitants in the Barslogho department of Santamanga province in north central Burkina Faso.
- ▶ Tangasgo village of some 1000 inhabitants 12 km (7.5 miles) from Kaya

In this region of Kaya in the south Sahel people's daily lives are hard. Everything is in short supply : water, electricity, schools, medicines. Everything is in short supply except the will of these men and these women to take charge of their destiny and together organise their development.

Actions already undertaken

The partnership established in 2002 between the Prince Mossi Association and Barnabé Ouédraogo's Criado Association for the Fulfilment of Deprived Children at Kaya aims to give women and girls the means to become self supporting, to take charge of their lives and then free themselves of this outside support.

It is with this in view that The Prince Mossi Association and ACEED develop and execute small scale projects defined and carried out by local inhabitants, conforming to their own traditions and using suitable locally available technologies.

To create a new kind of facility in the region we built a domestic science centre, a literacy centre and a farm school in response to the two main scourges of the people: illiteracy and famine.

So far we have been able to equip both the literacy centre and the farm school with tubewells which provide pure drinking water to more than 2000 people.

Two of the three Zimsa farm buildings have been equipped with solar panels as well as toilets.

The domestic science centre which is located in sector 3 of Kaya town is connected to mains water and electricity. It has three classrooms (a fourth is under construction), access to the internet and a mini library.

In these facilities there are regular computer classes, literacy classes, classes in dyeing fabric, making soap, sewing and dressmaking, health awareness, agricultural training for 40 women at Tangasgo, 60 girls at Kaya, 30 Women at Zimsa and around 100 people for specific courses.

We sponsor schooling for 40 children for the seventh year running. Support classes are provided for the youngest of them during school holidays.

Origins and Objectives of our action

In Kaya 85 out of 100 young people are totally uneducated. Most girls leave the school system without knowing how to read. Early marriage for young girls could partially explain this dropping out which leads to a return to illiteracy

In this south Sahel region the population, over 90% of which depends on agriculture, is struggling to survive. The combination of these two extreme situations creates a dramatic situation for girls and women. Prince Mossi and ACEED are concentrating all their efforts to help the most deprived among them. Teach literacy, train then farm the land profitably as a way to fight illiteracy and hunger are our objectives.

We need to remove obstacles to the education of girls by providing specific training programmes which will result in revenue generation for the extended family.

In order to try to free a good number of girls from this disastrous situation the Prince Mossi Association in partnership with ACEED since 2004 has been able to set up numerous training programmes. And to make these actions permanent, we train our students for several years in new, well equipped, facilities.

Project Objectives

- ▶ Fight against poverty of girls and women in rural society
- ▶ Provide training in skills consistent with local needs
- ▶ Provide 20 girls by class with training leading to a qualification and to a state recognised examination
- ▶ Fight against deforestation and soil erosion
- ▶ Create an environment planted with trees
- ▶ Provide access to books in the Kaya domestic science centre
- ▶ Improve family revenues and so allow malnourished children to be cared for and sent to school



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- ▶ Teach girls and women to take care of themselves reducing financial dependence upon their husbands
- ▶ Ensure proper nourishment for students in the centre at every session and instruct them in the use of a solar oven
- ▶ Provide all students with a favourable learning environment : drinking water, electricity, latrines, appropriate agricultural equipment
- ▶ Allow farmers with equipment to improve harvests while respecting the environment, improve their diet and live on the proceeds of the sale of surplus

Today, no official national policy provides financial support to the populations of these villages, remote from anyone and anything. Only the goodwill of the Burkinabe people themselves supported by Barnabé Ouédraogo , president of ACEED, will help them avoid the worst. They wish to be honest law abiding Africans, people of integrity, solidarity and dignity aware of the world around them. After all, let us not forget this is Burkina Faso, "land of the incorruptibles".

Project evaluation

The Burkinabe literacy centres, including the Kaya domestic science centre, are an integral part of the state education system in the basic informal teaching category.

The state inspectors ensure that training is provided seriously and with respect. They visit regularly and perform unexpected inspections ACEED Association president Barnabé Ouédraogo also exercises constant oversight. He takes photographs, reports on the training environment, and provides full assessments at the end of each exercise.

At Kaya

Daily roll call, evening homework, year end exam to qualify for next year, Receipt of CAM certificate after three years training

Finished product sales are increasing

Good management of the dressmaking boutique

Open day at the centre to show all of its achievements to the Kaya townspeople

Number of girls entering work is increasing

At Zimsa

Start up of food self sufficiency process for the girls at the centre and the inhabitants of Zimsa

AGR : Sale of agricultural produce at the market in Kaya

Access to micro credit for those who want it

Income for the management committee

Cooler environment thanks to tree planting programme

Zimsa ladies literacy programme. Course completion certificate allowing progress to level 2

Each participant receives easy to understand pictographic documents

Certification of course completion for awareness training sessions (malaria, excision, hygiene)

At Tangasgo

Literacy session level 3

Certification for the girls who have achieved their goals

Distribution of treated mosquito nets and easy to understand awareness session pictogrammes made to reach those who remain illiterate

Project extension

- ✓ The most motivated girls who have received their CAM Diploma will take training and apply to work for the state Regional Voluntary Service
- ✓ 3 girls plan to set up a market garden producing tomatoes and onions with the support of Prince Mossi and ACEED (micro farming)
- ✓ 2 girls will raise sheep and goats with the support of Prince Mossi and ACEED (micro farming)
- ✓ 10 girls will go into dairy farming
- ✓ Part of the harvests and produce from the AGR (Revenue Generating Activities) is sold in the Aceed shop to help fund the micro credits provided to the girls. This independence will continue to grow in parallel with harvests, livestock sales, clothing etc. Food is the first step towards self sufficiency
- ✓ Facility installation costs are going down in 2013/4. The management committee of Aceed is taking over the cost of maintenance. Prince Mossi will slowly withdraw from the project. Inasmuch as the financial partners live up to their promises it seems reasonable to envisage a move to autonomy starting in five years time.



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General Project Presentation

Pole1

Main domestic science centre for deprived girls in Kaya

Those who benefit from this project are seriously deprived girls from 14 to 20 years old without schooling. There are 20 by class.

In this centre we plan to teach them to read and write and complete their skills training in three years

This domestic science centre is equipped with a computer room and 8 computers, a sewing room with 8 machines, an office and reading centre. Access to water and electricity is assured; the centre is located in sector 3.

During the first year the students receive training in : dressmaking, market gardening, animal husbandry, aviculture, computers, dyeing, soap making, awareness of the main scourges in society eg HIV/Aids, malaria, forced marriage etc

During the second year in addition to reinforcing knowledge already acquired, lessons are alternated with practical training at the Zimsa farm school according to the study programme.

At the end of the three year training course the girls can pass the state examination for the Domestic Science Aptitude Certificate (CAM) and with which, with Aceed's help, they can find work.

In Africa when someone has a job the entire extended family can eat. The fallout from this project will clearly improve the lives of several hundred people. This shows how important the centre is for the village of Kaya. Teaching French which is the language used throughout the country will enable them to communicate with everyone they meet

A reading centre provides students and others with access to books hitherto absolutely non-existent due to the prohibitively high cost

Use of Word, Excel, and when the network allows, access to the Internet, permits these girls to avoid the numeracy divide which otherwise would completely exclude them from the world of work

Pole 2

Practical Training Farm or « Farm School » at Zimsa

This farm school, practical training centre, is equipped with a tubewell for drinking water from which the 1000 or so inhabitants of Zimsa are now able to benefit. An office-storehouse and the dormitory equipped with solar panels provide a real illuminated living space at night for the village children who do not hesitate to come to study there in the evenings. A dormitory, two toilets and two showers provide undreamed of comfort

In addition to these structures, established by Prince Mossi from spring 2010, there are two chicken sheds, an enclosure with 10 head of cattle, sheep and goats, one donkey, chickens and a slurry tank. Ground nuts, "Niébé" beans and sesame are already grown by hand on part of the 6 Ha ACEED property as well as on surrounding lands.

As far as the market garden activity is concerned, tomatoes, eggplant and onions are being grown. Jatropha (spurge) hedges are used to separate the different plots and also provide the oil seeds used for soap manufacture at the Kaya domestic science centre. The girls from this centre helped plant 3000 seedlings in 2011. A mango orchard and moringa tree plantation have been growing since summer 2012.

Objectives

For the girls from the Kaya domestic science centre: Receive agricultural training, obtain a Domestic Science Aptitude Certificate (CAM) and become financially self-sufficient to establish themselves as micro farmers

For the people of Zimsa as well as of the surrounding villages: Learn how to operate a tractor along with modern methods of cultivation and animal husbandry to better feed themselves and live from the sale of their agricultural production.

For the women of Zimsa: Learn how to read and write in order to access training and in turn establish themselves as micro farmers

Pole 3

Tangasgo literacy centre

Since 2007 the women of Tangasgo have access to a literacy and training centre where they have attended three course sessions to learn how to read or to improve their reading skill, two course sessions where they have learnt how to weave and to dye good quality fabrics

This literacy centre built by Prince Mossi has been equipped with three weaving looms and above all with a tubewell for drinking water. This not only makes it easier to handle the fabrics but also supplies unpolluted water to the people of Tangasgo until then without pure water! For two years the 40 women of Tangasgo were working on their own, but in 2012 the Burkinabé state took over responsibility for literacy training. Prince Mossi has contributed to the training effort by providing the canteen food which is an essential element in ensuring regular attendance of the students. Awareness sessions for the entire population – malaria, HIV/aids, excision – are carried out there.

Prince Mossi Positives

- ✓ Four young French members of the Humanitary Assistance Association (AAH) volunteered to spend 7 weeks at Kaya. They provided computer support for the girls at the centre gave support lessons to the primary school children and helped with work in the fields. An exceptional human experience.
- ✓ Promotion for development and international solidarity : Prince Mossi's president spreads the message in France, talking to school groups, youth groups, students at the Pau Technical University, the girls association in Lescar... Each talk is followed by actions the young people to generate funds for our projects
- ✓ An ACEED football team was formed in June 2012. These are boys who volunteer for the heavy work on the Zimsa farm and who asked to form a team. It's a done deal thanks to two French benefactors.

Budget 2013

General:	49964€	64903 dollars
Kaya:	12248€	15910 dollars
Zimsa	27542€	35777 dollars
Tangasgo:	1235€	1604 dollars

Recognised to be of general public interest the association provides (French) tax deductible receipts



Dyeing at Kaya



Reafforestation at Zimsa



Course completion at Tangasgo