

L'ESPERANCE CHILDREN'S AID RWANDA  
CHILDREN'S VILLAGE KIGARAMA

## **ACTION PLAN 2011**

L'Esperance Children's Aid Rwanda, Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to realize during the year 2011 the following activities:

### **(JANUARY – JUNE)**

#### **1. THE NURSERY PROJECT**

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to build during the months of January and February 2011 a professional nursery. The dimension of that nursery will be 1600 square meters. The goal of this project is to produce thousands of high quality fruit trees and offer them to the neighbor community for very low prices. The Children's Village Kigarama has signed an official contract with Rhoda (Rwanda Horticulture Development Authority) and BTC (Belgian Technical Cooperation). Rhoda and BTC will provide the financial and technical support for the implementation of this project. The construction of this nursery will be finished the last days of February 2011. This nursery will not only benefit the orphanage but also the entire community. The expenses of this project have been estimated around six million RWF (10000 USD) and will be covered by Rhoda and BTC.

#### **2. THE FRUIT TREE PROJECT**

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to transplant during the months of February and March 700 mango trees and 700 avocado trees. Rhoda (Rwanda Horticulture Development Authority) will kindly supply all the trees for free. All the mangos and avocado trees are commercial grafted varieties. A plot of almost three Hectares will be cultivated and prepare for the transplant of all those fruit trees. The Children's Village Kigarama is planning to finish transplanting the 1400 fruit trees latest at the end of March 2011. The transplanted trees will get all the rains of the months of April and May. The first harvest of those trees will happen in about three years. The Mango fruits will be dried and exported. The avocados will be used for oil extraction and the oil will be as well exported. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 3.4 million RWF (6000 USD) and will be covered by Migeprof (Ministry of Gender and Family Promotion). The orchard project will enable the Children's Village Kigarama to reach self-sufficiency and economic independency.

### 3. THE CHICKEN PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to establish a chicken project for the production of eggs. The area where the chickens will be is about 54 square meters. This facility will be built during the month of May and will have a capacity to accommodate 130 chickens. All the eggs will be used for own consumption improving the food diet of our 127 orphans. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 1.6 million RWF (3000 USD) and will be covered by Migepro (Ministry of Gender and Family Promotion). The consumption of fresh eggs will avoid possible protein deficiencies in our children.

### 4. THE IRRIGATION PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to establish an irrigation system for vegetable production. Engineers Without Borders – Colorado will come on June to build that system. Water storage in a big cistern will be distributed to the different plots where the vegetables are been produced. Most probably the system will consist of several sub tanks located at strategic places in the vegetable plot. The irrigation system will enable the Children's Village Kigarama to produce vegetables also during the dry season (June, July and August). The irrigation system will improve the life quality of the children by diversifying the food diet. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 10000 USD and will be covered by Engineers Without Borders – Colorado USA.

### 5. THE SOLAR LAMPS PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to install a system of solar lamps all around the campus of the orphanage. The Children's Village Kigarama does not have enough electricity power to illuminate the central area of the orphanage. Over twenty solar lamps will be installed in strategic places all around the campus. Some small children are afraid of darkness and because of that they are not willing to use during the night the toilet facilities. The solar lamps will solve that problem and will improve the ornate of the Children's Village. The solar lamps will be installed during the month of February. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 500 USD and will be covered by Mrs. Petra Pistor from Germany.

## 6. THE DVD PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to produce during the month of May a DVD containing different movies about the orphanage. During the last five years several different short movies have been produced by different entities. Andreas Werner (German Journalist working in Munich) will make the compilation of the DVD. Most probably the DVD will contain at least five different short movies. The DVDs will be distributed to all the supporters of the Children's Village Kigarama around the world for free. The expenses of this project have been calculated in 1000 USD and will be covered by Mr. Andreas Werner and his associates.

### **(JULY – DECEMBER)**

## 1. THE FRUIT DRYING PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to start drying pineapples in the month of July. Engineers Without Borders – Johnson Space Center (NASA) will come during the month of July and will install three different prototypes of fruit driers. One drier will use the waste energy of the kitchen stoves, another one will be a solar drier and the third drier will be a commercial electrical one. The Children's Village Kigarama will use all the driers and will select the ones working the best in our specific environment. EWB – JSC have already worked over a year long in Houston Texas developing those fruit driers. After selecting the best working driers more will be installed in the future starting the commercial side of the Orchard Project. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 10000 USD and will be covered by EWB – JSC. The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to export in the future organic/fair trade certified dried fruit to USA and Europe. The Orchard Project will enable the orphanage to become self-sufficient and economic independent.

## 2. THE EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to find way to improve the educational experience of our children. Teachers Without Borders – Halle/Belgium will come during the months of July and August to run different educational activities with all our 127 orphans and staff members. A team of high quality Belgian teachers will run all the educational activities. It will be the first time that TWB – Belgium will run a similar educational project in Rwanda. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 10000 USD and will be covered by Teachers Without Borders – Belgium.

## 3. THE ROOF PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to paint all the roofs of the seven family units during the month of August. Most of the houses of the orphanage were built during the year 2001 and most of the roofs are starting to get old and rusty. Several coats of anti-corrosive paint will solve the rust problem. Three different colors will be chosen to make the orphanage even more colorful. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 2000 USD and will be covered by Centura Health Center in Colorado, USA.

## 4. THE SOLAR SYSTEM PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to improve the already existing old solar system. The solar system installed many years ago is not strong enough to supply the electrical needs to the Children's Village. Rwanda in general is a very rainy country and there is not enough sunshine during several months in the year. In cloudy days the batteries are not fully charged and there is not power to supply light to the orphanage. Quiet often the children need to do their homework with the weak light of paraffin lamps. Engineers Without Borders – Karlsruhe/ Germany will come on August/September to fix that problem. More solar panels and more solar batteries will be installed. The improved solar system will considerably improve the life quality of our 127 orphans. The expenses of this project have been calculated in 10000 USD and will be covered by EWB-Karlsruhe.

## 5. THE CAMPING SITE PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to build a camping site at the shores of Lake Kivu. Birambye – International will come on September to build that camping place. Most probably the site will include composting toilet and shower facilities. The Children's Village Kigarama is one of the official camping sites of the Congo Nile trail. The camping site direct at the shores of Lake Kivu will be very attractive to everyone hiking on that trail. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 10000 USD and will be covered by Birambye-International.

## 6. THE BOAT PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to introduce new boat construction technologies to the Lake Kivu. Riccardo Fanciulli from Italy will come during the month of August to build the first boat of this kind. The Boat Project is a part of the Birambye-Lodge Project. Several boats are needed for the construction of the Birambye-Lodge and later on for the transport of passenger and merchandises. Riccardo Fanciulli and his associates will introduce to Rwanda this new kind of boat technology. The expense of this project are been estimated in 6000 USD and will be covered by the fundraising activities of Riccardo Fanciulli.

## 7. THE WINDSURFING PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to learn and teach windsurfing activities. Michiel Ouvry from Belgium will come on August to the orphanage with some windsurfing boards and some kayaks. Mr. Michiel Ouvry is willing to give windsurfing classes to some of the members of the Children's Village Kigarama. The idea is that later on windsurfing classes will be offer at the camping site and at the Birambye-Lodge. Mr. Michiel Ouvry will introduce later on more windsurfing boards and more kayaks. The windsurfing activities will most probably attract many visitors to the shores of Lake Kivu and will generate income for the benefit of the orphans and the community. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 5000 USD and will be covered by the fundraising activities of Mr. Michiel Ouvry.

## 8. THE GUAVA PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to plant during the month of September 2000 (two thousand) more guava trees. A plot of about 2 Hectares will be cultivated and prepared. Over three thousand guava seedlings are already growing at the nursery waiting to be transplanted. The quality of the guava fruits is excellent and the trees are very well adapted to the local environment. The guavas will be dried and exported together with the mangos and pineapples. The first harvest of fruits is expected to be in two years. The expenses of this project have been calculated in 3000 USD and will be covered by the fundraising activities of Loma Linda University in California, USA.

## 9. THE STOVE PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to repair the first firewood stove prototype installed at the orphanage. Engineers Without Borders – Colorado in cooperation with Manna Energy Limited installed about four years ago the first firewood prototype. This firewood stove was a real improvement at that time but now new and much better designs have been developed. Manna Energy Limited will come in September to rebuild that firewood stove. The new stove will use much less firewood and will have very low emissions of smoke. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 1000 USD and will be covered by Manna Energy Limited.

## 10. THE COW STABLE

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to rebuild and expand the cow stable facilities during the month of October. The orphanage has now two grown up female cows producing milk and three female calves. In the past the Children's Village planted two Hectares in forage production and planted over three (3) kilometers of Calliandra hedges. There is enough food, water and space to accommodate a maximum of ten (10) cows. The cow stable will be expanded to accommodate that amount of cows. The cows will supply enough milk for the kids, will produce lots of cow manure for soil fertilization and most probably in the future will be enough milk for commercial cheese production. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 3000 USD and will be covered by the fundraising efforts of Loma Linda University in California, USA.

## 11. THE FOREST PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to continue the developing of the native forest during the month of September. A plot of about 3 Hectares will be cultivated and prepared. Several thousand native trees will be transplanted creating a unique native forest for firewood production. The seedlings will be supply by Siegmar Seidel from Pares in Butare in cooperation with the German University of Koblenz. When all the trees have been transplanted two other Hectares will be cultivated and prepared. The expenses of this project have been calculated in 10000 USD and will be covered by L'Esperance Kinderhilfe International in Germany.

## 12. THE IRRIGATION CISTERN

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to build a second rain water irrigation cistern during the month of July. On the year 2009 the orphanage built a 76 cubic meters rain water cistern with the financial support of the German Embassy in Kigali. That cistern collects the rain water to two huge school roofs. During the last two years we have observed that the roofs collect much more rain water than the cistern can hold. During at least a period of four months the 76 cubic meters cistern is completely full and lots of rain water is been lost through the drainage. The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to build a second cistern that will collect all that water lost through the drainage. The cistern will have a capacity of 104 cubic meters. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 7000 USD and will be covered by the German Embassy in Kigali.

## 13. THE CD PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to produce another CD. Happiness Choir has already produced a CD during the year 2009. The choir is now ready to produce the second one with fourteen new songs. All the songs in the new CD will be produced (text and melody) by the members of Happiness Choir. The new CD will be recorded during the month of July. The expenses of this project have been estimated in 1000 USD and will be covered by the fundraising activities of Loma Linda University in California, USA.

## 14. THE SCHOOL DORMITORIES

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to continue the application for the construction of school dormitories. The orphanage is planning to develop a Vocational School with emphasis in organic agriculture, environmental technologies and business management. The school buildings are already finished but dormitories for about 300 students need to be built in a nearby plot. The Children's Village Kigarama will present to Jumelage in Kigali the proposal of this project approved by the sector of Gishyita. Technicians from Jumelage will do the technical and financial assessment during this year 2011. The expenses of this project have not been estimated and will be covered by the city of Bingen in Germany and Jumelage in Kigali.

## 15. THE MISSION PROJECT

The Children's Village Kigarama is aiming to conduct during the year 2011 two evangelistic meetings in two different locations of Rwanda. The first one will probably be done during the dry season on July and the second one during the end of the year on November. L'Esperance International in Germany will cover the expenses of this project (around 10000 Euros). Additional to the intense spiritual experience the children have the unique possibility to travel all around Rwanda and get to know well their own country.

If You would like to support us with one of these Projects, please contact us:

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Note: the banks in Kigali does not use the IBAN (International Bank Number)

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We appreciate enormously Your financial help.

With many warm greetings from the hills of Rwanda,

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