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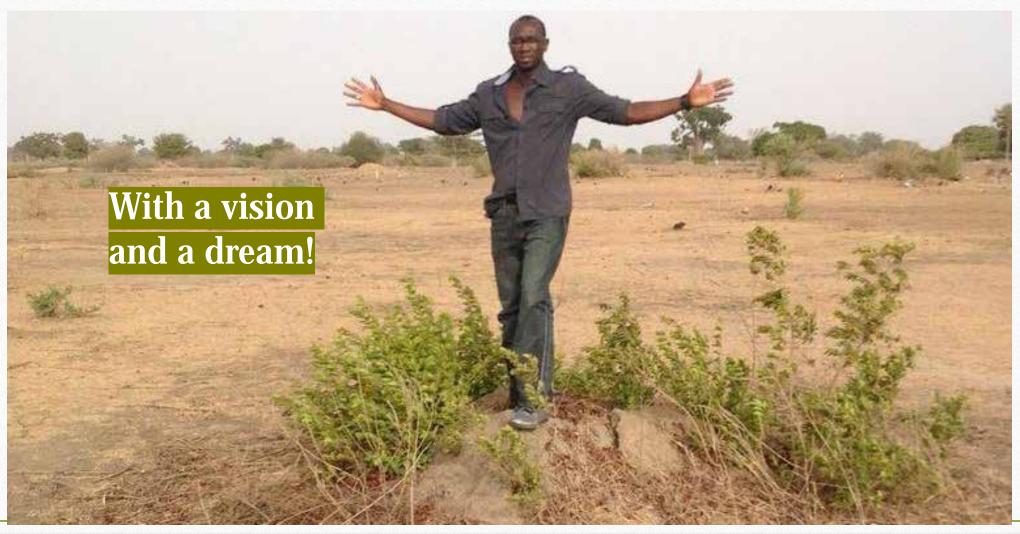
A Global Grant to Improve Economic Opportunities for Youth and Community Members in Sénégal, West Africa

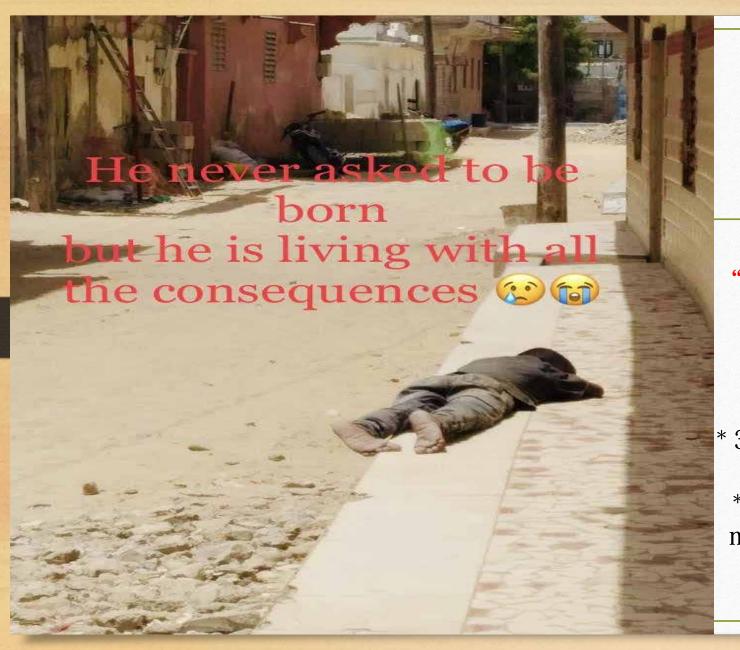
Rotary Area of Focus: Community Economic Development

Host Sponsor: Rotary Club of Dakar Millénium (D9101)



How did this idea for a Rotary project begin?





My Dream: Building a home & school for these forgotten children!

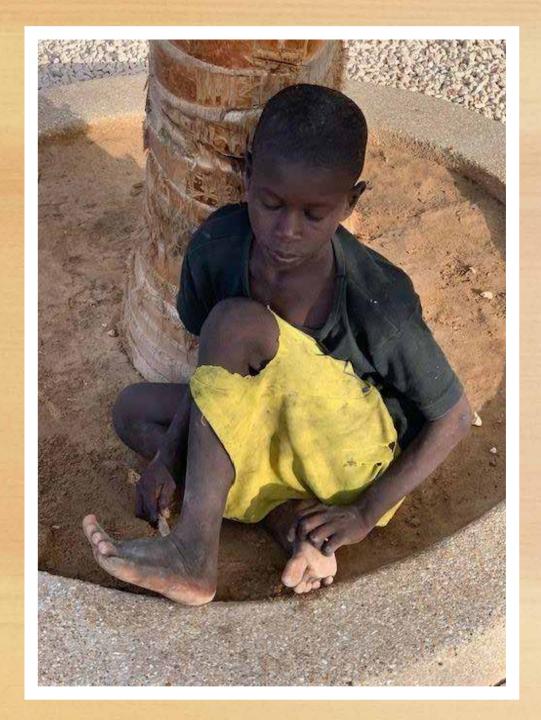
" It's just a start, but you have to start somewhere!"

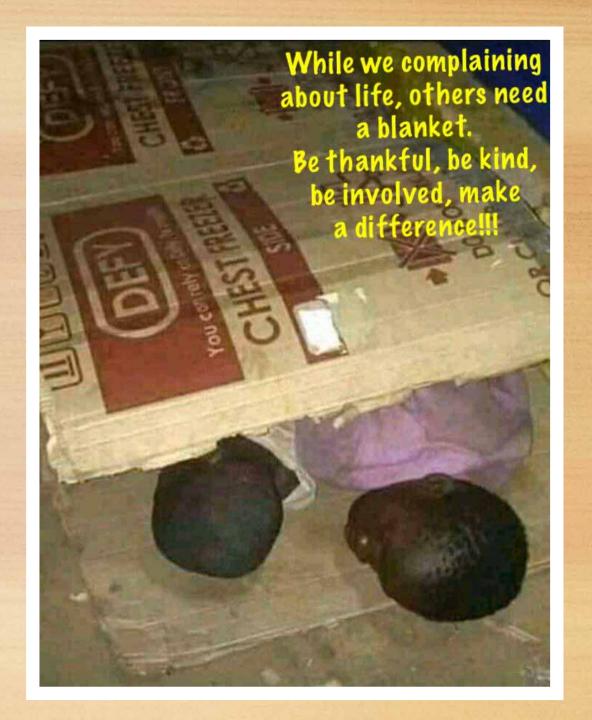
Note Bene!

* 39% of Sénégal lives below poverty line

* In the Capital (Dakar, population 1.6 million) there are 40,000 street children

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The School for Forgotten Children was built!

Complexe Scholaire Elhadj Moussa Ndoye In this global grant, it becomes the Vocational Training Venue





Enter Rotary!



Out of a single effort to build a school came the idea of a Rotary Global Grant to help a community!

Community Assessment:



Overwhelming desire to:

Reduce the number of people living in poverty.

Reduce the number of people forced to emigrate to survive.

Rotary Global Grant #2465059

This 2-year vocational training program (Title: Donner du pouvoir à l'avenir) provides

- a. Direct instruction in technical/occupational knowledge and skills
- b. Mentored apprenticeships in local businesses
- c. Career counseling and job placement assistance for graduates
- d. Outreach programs for area schools and communities

The goal is to Improve economic opportunities for youth and community members living in poverty in Sénégal.

Donner du pouvoir à l'avenir (cont.)

Method:

Develop a <u>model educational program</u> that increases the capacity of local schools like The School for The Forgotten Children to provide hands-on vocational training programs that lead to productive employment.

Goal:

Prepare young people and community members for jobs that provide income and skills that far exceed current subsistence-level opportunities.

Years 1 & 2 (First 6 months)

Years 1 & 2 (following 4 months)

Provide professional and vocational field-training (i.e., Mentored Apprenticeships) in surrounding communities and businesses





Years 1 & 2 (Last 2 months of Apprenticeship)

Assist in vocational counseling and job placement once training is completed.







Outreach Years 1 & 2

Open Houses at School every 6 months

- * Highlight career options
- * Highlight Apprenticeship business
- * Job fair for local businesses
- * Career counseling for community



Outreach Year 2

Pilot educational program in area schools

- * Classes in Financial Literacy
- * Exposure to Job Training Options
- * Career counseling opportunities

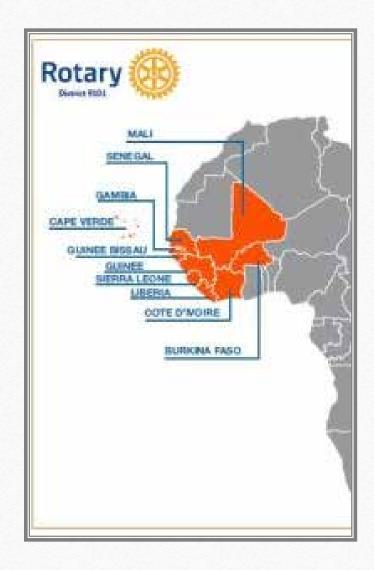
Beneficiaries

- Vocational training students 120 (60 each year)
 (30 who live at school; 90 who live in community)
- 2. Businesses served by apprentices 10+
- 3. Area school that benefit from vocational outreach programs 1+
- 4. Students in outreach programs 60+
- 5. Number of families served 125+
- 6. Community events (500/year X 2 years) 1000

1,316 over two years +

Colleagues to Count On:

Rotary in West Africa (D9101) brings enormous support to this effort



Local Community Support

Maguette Sene (of Malicounda) – Mayor of area in which school is located

Chamber of Commerce; Ministry of Labor

Area Schools and Universities

The Forgotten Children: Complexe Scholaire Elhadj Moussa Ndoye

This Innovative Rotary Program will:

- 1. **Model** the embedding of sustainable vocational training into existing schools and orphanages
- **2. Provide** 2 cohorts (60 students per year) with instruction, apprenticeship experience, and career counseling
- 3. Involve and support local businesses apprenticeships, job fairs, etc.
- **4. Provide** outreach to community schools by offering financial literacy to their students in Year 2
- **5. Respond to** the vision expressed in this grant's community assessment of having meaningful opportunities for families in Senegal to pull themselves out of poverty and avoid having to emigrate to other countries for work.

Long-term Goal of this GG: A model for the future!

GPE (Global Partnership for Education) <u>www.globalpartnership.org</u>:

73 million young people in Africa are jobless. Let's renew the commitment to increase investment in youth empowerment."

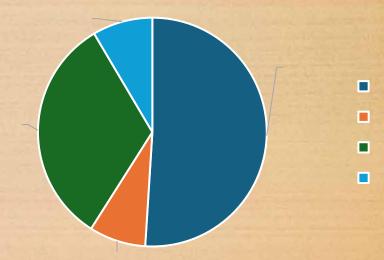
Total Budget: \$200,000

Income

Expenses

Budget Expense Categories

\$105,400	DDF raised (includes World Fund Match
\$	<u>Cash donations</u>
\$105,400_	Total raised to date
\$94,600	Total to be raised



With \$53,000 more in DDF (matched by Rotary's 80%), we will reach our goal!

An Open Invitation

For Rotary partners to help us make the model program happen!

Djeureujeff! Wolof

Merci! French

¡Gracias! Spanish

Thank You! English