

Route 78 Rotary Club grant application 2018

Project Title

Hope for Mtshabezi Clinic Construction

Project Background

Hope for Mtshabezi a Non- Profit Organization that has been providing free health care to the medically underserved people in South western part of Zimbabwe has been granted permission by the Gwanda Rural Council and Gwanda Ministry of Health and Child care to build a clinic that will serve the population of the that area.

Project Location

The clinic is located 49 km (31 miles) north of Gwanda town in Matebeland South (Zimbabwe)

Project Duration (Tentative): 6 month(s)

The project is expected to last 6 months give or take subject to availability of funds.

Organization Implementing the Project

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Project Beneficiary

The project will benefit the medically underserved population in the remote drought prone area of Matebeleland South Province in Zimbabwe.

- Reduction of infant mortality rates which are currently at 36.8 deaths per1000 live births (USA 5.8 deaths per 1000 live birth 2014) Improve

vaccination rates. Improve hygiene and nutrition for infants and children. Encourage breast feeding.

- Reduce Maternal mortality rates currently at 443 deaths per 100,000 live births (USA 28 deaths per 100,000 live births) HFM will improve prenatal care and educate expectant mothers on good nutrition.
- Improve life expectancy of population from 59.1 years in 2015 compared to (USA 78.7 same period) by introduction of preventative care rather than treatment. HIV prevention, TB prevention, Diabetes and High Blood Pressure prevention.
- Hope for Mtshabezi will have a vegetable and fruit garden on the property and hire community members to work creating jobs for the villagers and improving nutrition.

Project Description

Hope for Mtshabezi Trust started construction of the clinic in Mayezane on March 18, 2018. To date July 14, 2018 Hope for Mtshabezi has successfully finished building the structure and the roofers have started their part of construction

Project Objective

The main objective of the project was to construct a state of the art clinic that would be well equipped enough to deal with health issues that plague the people in the area.

The clinic has a waiting room, pharmacy, laboratory area and exam rooms for adults and pediatrics. It also has a treatment room to accommodate the sickest patients for stabilization before they are transferred to acute care hospitals

The clinic will also be equipped to take care of expectant mothers and to deliver none high-risk women if urgent need arises.

Project Activities:

1. The community of Mayezane cleared the land to begin construction.
2. A good reputable construction company, Stand Over Construction was hired to build the clinic and they employed local people for menial tasks creating jobs in the area and putting money back in the community to

alleviate poverty.

3. The community was also hired to bring pit sand, river sand and gravel to cut down on costs.

Expenditure:

Stand Over construction company quotation was \$34,000 USD

Site establishment, excavation, brickwork plastering, manhole excavation, soakaway excavation, septic tank and painting. Hope for Mtshabezi has an outstanding balance of \$18,672 with the Construction company. These funds don't include transportation of materials from the city Bulawayo 169 kms/105 miles away. They do not include roofing and solar energy supply and they do not include medical equipment. The cost of which is not expected to exceed \$20,000 USD.

Hope for Mtshabezi board members donate a minimum of \$50.00 a month and they are all expected to raise funds as part of their duties. They are committed to completing the construction project as a result they also donate more money than the minimum required.

The community of Mayezane has also proved to have taken ownership of the project. They will no longer have to worry about crossing rivers when it is raining, walking in hot weather in Summer and cold weather in Winter.

Funding needed to complete construction:

Plumbing material including septic tank, soakaway and manhole labor \$2,500

Doors and locks \$350

Electrical wiring and labor costs \$1,200 (materials not included)

Ceiling boards and supports (cost TBA)

Window panes (cost TBA)

Painting will be done by HFM boards members

Roofing sheets \$4,000 with \$850 labor

Sinks, examination tables, Refrigerators for medications. (cost TBA)

Should funds be available to complete construction, HFM will be ready to serve the community by 2019.

