



DAY OF THE AFRICAN CHILD – Phase two

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Learn About African Action on AIDS (AAA)

AAA is a tax exempt non-profit organization registered in the USA and operating under section 501(c) 3 of the IRS code. It is also registered in Cameroon (auth. No00174/A/MINAT/DAP/SDLP/SAC). It has special consultative status with the United Nations ECOSOC and the UN Department of Information.

AAA's work is based on 3 programmes:

"JUST KNOW" Campaign emphasizes:

- Knowledge of one's body
- Knowledge that leads to behavior change
- Knowledge that helps to visualize a future without AIDS

"Health before Wealth"

Concept promotes:

- Testing for HIV
- Clean hands (hand washing stations)
- Clean water (drinking stations)
- Dignified toilets
- Fighting against Malaria (treated mosquito bed nets)
- Vaccination
- Anti worms medicin

"Women's economic autonomy"

through our Scholarship Programme. This scholarship enables each teenage orphan girl to complete at least a secondary, general or technical education that will lead to financial and economic autonomy, greatly reducing the risk of being infected with HIV through sexual abuse and violence.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AS HUMAN CONNECTION

As an organization, AAA is committed to Community Service with a focus on girls Education. This year we did honour girls who end Primary School Education with high scores in Maths. At PNEU School, Yaounde, eight of them scored 100% in Mathematics, compared to just one last year. They are: **Jatsa Tsimi Claude Nobela, Ngum Shekinah Glory Ngwa, Njako Njami Estelle Nadine, Sally Somo Kpufotitin, Seuna Berners Lee Christina, Shiro Shina Bakume Eyong, Tamufor Mani Laeticia and Tchigui Toukam Winnie.**

But our commitment to girls' education mostly comes in form of a scholarship with the objective of increasing the pool of vulnerable girls eligible for continuing into Secondary, University and Professional schools. Community service and volunteer work are forms of human connection in which people, not only reach out to help one another, but also learn from one another. The people we are there to help at times become our teachers because they show us other ways of being human to each other. In order not to come across as insensitive, AAA members must keep an open mind while encouraging the children we support to become committed to community service. We share our hopes and fears with them in the hope that they do the same for others in a position of need within their community. We insist that wealth is not a prerequisite for personal contribution and community growth. We are proud to highlight that four of our school girls (**Barda, Hailida, Nyangon and Toussichat**) signed an engagement to fetch water for an elderly woman of their community each Saturday. Moreover, **Nyangon** decided to contribute some of the money she earned babysitting for community development, and **Ngo Biog** is now a volunteer with an organization taking care of vulnerable children in her community....They use community service as a means to reinforce HUMAN CONNECTION!

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PNEU girls who end Primary School Education with 100% in Maths.



Ngo Biog taking care of vulnerable children in her community



Nyangon gives some of her babysitting money to the community!