



Washing hands in a primary School for blind children



Health Clubs in Secondary school



Working with different partners: Village Chiefs & private companies



Sustainable Schools: Day of the African Child in a village



« Batonga girls » Scholarships for secondary school girls.

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### Patrons:

Sponsor	\$ 5,000
Benefactor	\$ 3,000
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### Supporters:

Contributing	\$ 52	\$ 1 a week
Sustaining	\$ 365	\$ 1 a day
21 <sup>st</sup> Century Donors		\$ 8 Year

### Specific Donations:

Mosquito treated bed net	\$ 10
Block of 4 Toilets	\$ 4000
Water well	\$ 5000
Drinking station	\$ 40
Hand washing station	\$ 40
Combined drinking and hand washing station	\$ 75
1000 tablets of worm medicine	\$ 20
Scholarships/ Secondary Education	\$ 300
Scholarships/ Higher Education	\$ 1000

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**NO ONE IS ALONE**



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**AAA's work is based on 3 programmes:**

1. "JUST KNOW" Campaign
2. "Health before Wealth" Concept
3. "Women's Economic Autonomy"

## MISSION STATEMENT

**We believe** that no one is alone. We succeed when the youth we serve become agents of their own change and use their knowledge to change their communities.

**We reach** Sub-Saharan African youths whose lives are affected by AIDS.

**We affirm** that tomorrow's responsible parents are the knowledgeable youth of today.

**We educate** youth with the knowledge they need to stay alive and teach them to share that knowledge with their peers.

**We build and provide** extended family support networks in local villages and communities to provide security, food, education and healthcare to children orphaned by AIDS.

**We create** healthcare awareness by funding women's and children's health programmes.

## AAA's 3 PROGRAMMES

1. The "**JUST KNOW**" campaign emphasizes:

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

2. The "**Health before Wealth**" concept promotes:

- Safe potable water and sanitation;
- Hand washing with soap and taking de-worming medicines;
- Income generating activities, such as distributing treated mosquito bed nets and Water Guard (a liquid that purifies water) to create a health fund for women in rural areas.

3. "**Women's Economic Autonomy**" through our **Scholarships Programme**:

- It enables teenage orphan girls to receive a secondary, general or technical, as well as university education, leading to financial and economic autonomy, thus greatly reducing the risk of being infected with HIV through sexual abuse and violence.

## AFRICAN ACTION ON AIDS (AAA), INC.

AAA was founded in 1991 to support children affected by AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa through creating stronger and healthier local communities.

### Our Projects:

**Centres of Excellence:** AAA currently oversees projects in local communities known as **Centre of Excellence in** Cameroon. The goal of these projects is to improve the lives of orphans and other children at risk through targeted activities in the areas of education, basic health, and nutrition. Applied knowledge includes drinking potable water, washing hands, taking de-worming medicines as well as HIV/AIDS education, counseling, testing and commitment at the individual level to stay AIDS free;

**Entry-Level Micro-Credit Programmes:** The other important goal is strengthening local communities as they are indeed the foundation of all sustained activities benefiting orphans. Therefore, AAA ensures that the basic needs of these communities are met through using Entry-level Micro-Credits, known in Cameroon as CVECA (Caisse Villageoise d'Epargne et de Credit Autogérée), as an instrument that "Builds Health before Building Wealth". At the same time, community networks are encouraged and strengthened as important mobilizing tools. They facilitate the sharing of experiences and help disseminate success stories, thus slowly building local confidence. By helping the communities generate their own solutions instead of seeking outside assistance, they are led to discover, in the process, that they have resources to take care of their orphans and distressed children.

**Resources transferred to them through your generous support will enhance their own by maximizing local resources and building local economies.**



## AAA and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs):

Through the above projects, AAA has been working on several of the MDGs, such as: MDG #2 (Universal Education), MDG #3 (Promoting Gender Equality and Empowering Women), MDG #6 (Combating HIV/AIDS, Malaria and other Diseases), and MDG #7 (Environmental Sustainability).

## Our Achievements:

- More than 3,000 orphans, mostly girls, have successfully completed at least 7 years of school under AAA's sponsorship;
- More than 150 have graduated from university or from vocational schools;
- 1,000 orphans are eligible to attend school full time, or have a school lunch every day, or get preventive health education through films, seminars and camps;
- 20,000 treated bed nets have been distributed and are being used by 100,000 individuals which includes 4000 families, boarding school and orphanages.
- 4,000 drinking stations have been distributed, mostly in rural areas;
- 4,000 hand washing stations have been distributed;
- 200 training sessions have been organized and attended by at least 10,000 community members.

