

**A JOINT ACTIVITY REPORT OF THE BOA BAKUNDU COMPUTER CENTER AND
THE BAMENDA SINGLE PARENTS COMPUTER SOLUTION CENTER PRESENTED
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This report is divided into two parts; that is Boa Bakundu and Bamenda centers. Each part shall be further simplified into the following; historical background, project objectives, activities, the impact to the society and challenges faced by the centers.

Historical background

The Boa bakundu project covers the following seven villages; Boa, Bombanda, Bombele, Kumukumu, Masaka, Dieny and Kombone mission. 95 percent of the villagers are dependent on subsistence agriculture. Cocoa is the main cash crop cultivated and other crops include cassava, maize, oranges and plantains. 2 percent of the population is involved in selling of cooked food, drinks and provision. Teachers who have migrated from the towns make up 1 percent and the others are sickling. Bad roads make it difficult for these agricultural products to be transported to the market, no vocational training centers to give alternative training to the youths. It was because of this that the computer training program was introduced to open the school dropout youths to other opportunities across the globe, it was also to provide employment opportunities to those who can work as secretaries in small documentations or even become employers.

Project objectives

The project had the following objectives;

1. Provide basic computer training to students and secondary school dropouts
2. Open the students to other alternatives of vocational training through internet
3. Train self-employed people who shall also provide employment to others by opening small documentations
4. Provide a computer as a loan to graduating students who present a good business plan in this sector. This loan shall be a revolving fund to guarantee sustainability of the project
5. Use computer to provide a link to local farmers and buyers in towns.
6. Print flyers and advertise business on people's behalf

Activities

Activities of the center shall include;

1. Running a cyber for the public to use and generate income for the center
2. Provide computer training to students who shall pay a token to help sustain the center
3. Operate a documentation to support the center financially as well as a practical center for trainees
4. Operate a photo studio to help generate income for the center.

The impact to the society

The center is used as a computer laboratory to both the primary and secondary schools in this area. Single mothers have also picked a career in computer because of this center. Some of our students are now being used by the ministry of public health as secretaries to local vaccination programs. Land disputes have reduced because documents are being duplicated and kept using our computers and copying machines. The center now acts as an information center in the community.

Some major and minor challenges

The main challenge facing the center is cost of paying an instructor and a copying machine. However we thank our great partner Computer for Africa for the 110000 frs given to Boa Bakundu center which was used to purchase ink for photo printing at the cost of 60000frs cfa and cables and sockets for the computer and UPS. Through the above support, the center was able to pay its instructor during the month of August without any stress.

We cannot however rule out the fact that the mindset of the people is centered on free things which sometimes makes it very difficult for them to contribute token fees for electricity bills and maintenance. But I have the strong belief that one day they shall all come to the knowledge that there is no free thing in life. Poverty also is a contributing factor to the people. For example we have some six students who are unable to pay a registration fee of 1000frs, yet as a pastor I can pity the situation but this plays a negative role in the functioning of the center because teachers, bills and repairs are never free. But God is seeing us through. Thank you.

BAMENDA CENTER

The Bamenda center was created to help support the Boa center financially and to provide a center where jobless youths can meet, discuss employment opportunities, undergo basic computer training before becoming job seekers. It mostly targets those school dropout youths especially girls who dropped out of school as a result of pregnancy. The center provides information on available job opportunities and how to write a good CV and seek for a job.

It is located in a small room equipped with three desktop computers and 4 laptops. Presently it is using volunteers as teachers and job researchers. For this center to function well, it needs a copying machine, a laminating machine, a perforating machine, a projector and an internet service. With these items I hope this center shall be registered subsequently as a vocational center to target school dropout and the thousands of job seekers who do not even know where to seek and how to seek for jobs.

In a nutshell, we thank our Mother Rosina Hugg and family, our partners for their endless efforts to help us realize our dreams even at their own expense when she is beaten by mosquitos. We thank you all for this support. God bless you all.