



Ugandan Ark For Children

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

Established

Nine years ago (2008), I, Ben Brandsen and my wife Suzana Makumbi - Brandsen, started a project in a small village called Bunamwaya where she was born and raised in the suburb of Kampala, the capital of Uganda. Our dream is a home dedicated to alleviating illiteracy free community by empowering the disadvantaged orphans and marginalised children with disabilities to realise their full potential.

Date registered

This organization is an NGO registered in Sweden and in Uganda.

The organization number for Sweden is: **802511 – 3658** and for Uganda is: in progress.

Mission

Our mission is to ensure that the orphaned children have a safe environment they call home, healthy, as well have a proper educated childhood, establishing a firm foundation for a productive adult life. These orphans live now with their grandparents who cannot support them financially through school, as well as provide the necessary basic needs. We also target children rejected by their parents because of physical disabilities.

Geographic location

The geographic location is a village called 'Bunamwaya', a half hour driving from the capital city of Kampala in Uganda. Our compound is located in this peaceful village with a high level of social contact.

ORGANISATION'S ACTIVITIES

- Provide livelihood to disadvantaged children.
- Provide livelihood to marginalised children such as children with disabilities.
- Provide entrepreneurial skill development training in ICT, Car mechanics, Cookery and Bakery, farming after secondary education.
- Provide education with the support of external financial sponsors paying the necessary school fees.
- Promote our goal and the information for our sponsors with the help of a web site.

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

We want to develop and build an orphanage in our own private compound to provide a safe place for the children mentioned above. The orphanage should accommodate a maximum of 24 children using a total of 6 bedrooms. Besides that we have planned to have a dining room, laundry, showers and even a classroom for children with individual needs. The outside measurements of the orphanage will be 30 meters long and 8 meters wide. We start with two stories but the foundation will be strong enough to build another floor on top of it.

3. OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

We will provide the children living in a safe environment and educate them according to European standards. Education will be accomplished through external schools and with more practical level inside our own environment.

4. EXPECTATIONS OF THE PROJECTS

Our goal is to run this project with less as possible expenses. And the use of environment friendly resources like solar energy and natural rain water. Fruits and vegetables will be supplied by our own resources.

5. THE BENEFICIARIES OF THE PROJECT

- We start with 24 children divided over 6 bedrooms.
- The age of the children will be between 5 – 18 years.
- The gender is both female and male.
- Ethnicity doesn't matter, mostly local children.
- The children are from local families in the village of Bunamwaya in Uganda.
- Specifically impairments of some children could be deaf, physically disabled and orphans.

6. DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT

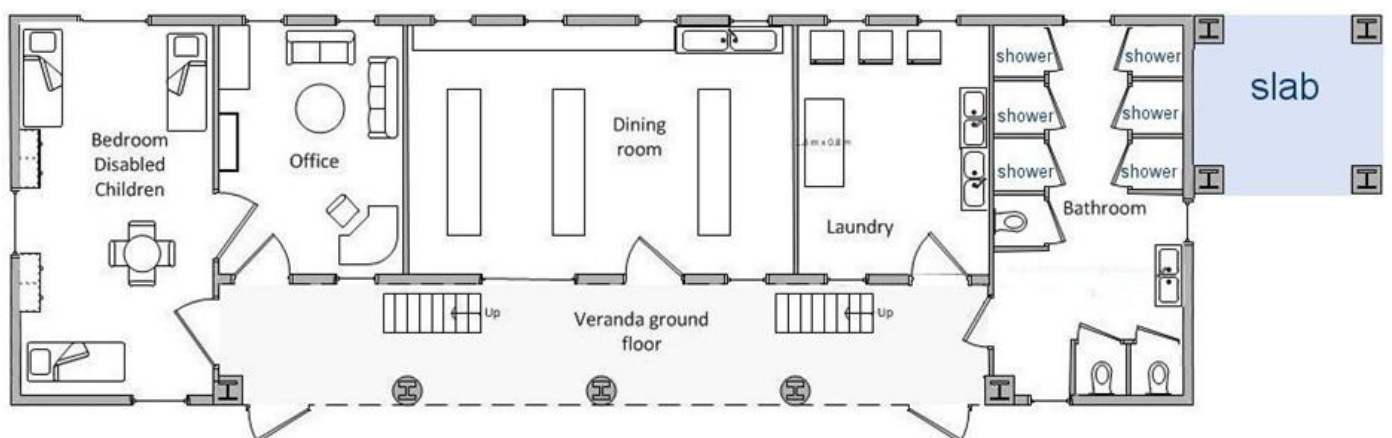
The newly constructed building will be two stories high. On the ground floor mostly service facilities like laundry, dining room, showers, toilets and a dedicated bedroom for physically disabled children.

On the first floor situated six bedrooms, every bedroom can hold four beds. As well class / teaching room for individual needs.

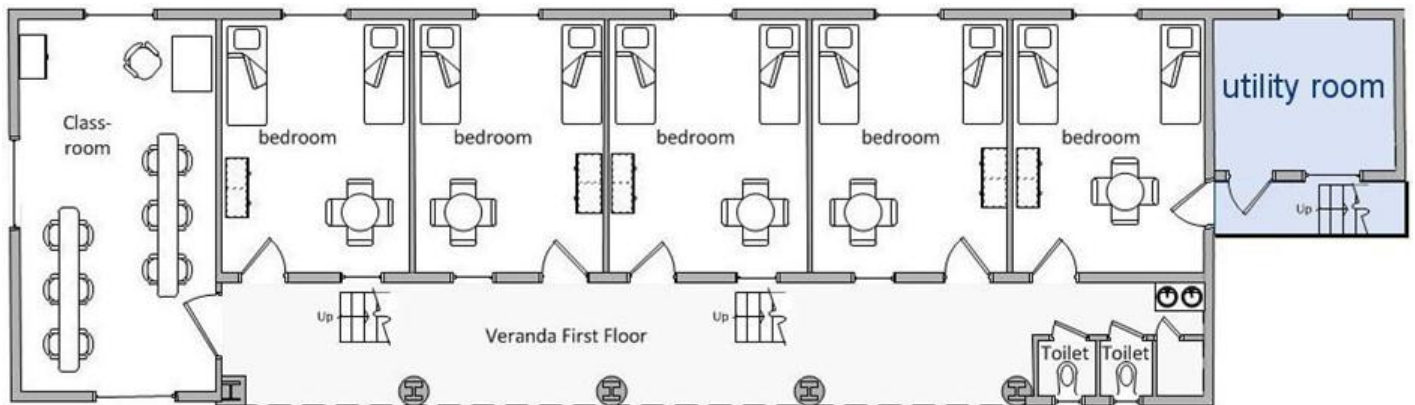
The construction shall be having a total length of 30 Meters and 8 Meters wide.

With a flat roof slab, were the environment friendly equipment can be installed like solar heaters, solar panels, and rain water tanks.

Drawing of the ground floor;



Drawing of the first floor;



7. CHALLENGES

The challenges we face could be to maintain the highest level of security for the children and protect them from criminal influences when they are outside the premise. Also the integrity of support staff members, for that we will inquire background information before support staff is hired.

8. PROJECT SUSTENANCE

The project will be sustained by sponsors and gifts from churches, businesses and other donations. By using natural energy resources and home grown food resources we can keep the costs of living as low as possible.

9. PROJECT BUDGET

● Building the bare construction	338000 Sek
● Drainage, water & electricity supply	141000 Sek
● Furniture, beds, bed clothing, curtains etc.	166000 Sek
● Appliances like; water tabs, switches / outlets, lights	75000 Sek
● Landscaping	25000 Sek
● Transport: inventory supply from Europe – Uganda	40000 Sek

Total: 785000 Sek