

Educating, inspiring and motivating a Generation

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Description:

Faibien (which means to do-good) works to educate, feed, motivate and raise the environmental awareness in Haiti. We have developed a plan to set up Visual Learning Centers to help teach, feed and inspire the Haitian people. In order to do so we are in need of financial grant assistance. The idea is to reach different groups in Haiti by using visual educational methods in various parts of the country. Visual learning centers give the ability to reach mass population in rural areas that often have inadequate resources such as electricity and running water. This program also offers disaster preparedness and basic survival skills in the event of an emergency.

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Visual Learning & Nutrition Project in Haiti

Faibien Corporation is seeking aid to build thirteen Visual Learning Centers (VLCs) throughout Haiti within the next two years (5 in Port- au Prince, 2 in Les Cayes, 2 in Cap-Haitian, 2 in Port De paix, 1 in Saint Mark and 1 in La Gonaives). There is a great need to educate the population of Haiti especially the children and young men and women. Because of the high illiteracy rate in Haiti, It is extremely difficult to properly educate it citizens. In fact more than half of the Haitian population cannot read. The VLCs located throughout the country will help to eradicate this problem by using a visual learning format to teach adolescents and young adults of Haiti. This program will expand the imagination of the youth in rural Haiti by getting them involved in educational programs which will cover various subjects, including language, math and science. The centers will facilitate learning by allowing those who are unable to read the ability to learn through the use of designated visual educational programs , such as “How it’s made “ and other science and math shows.

The primary objective of this project is to improve the communities in Haiti and to change the mindset of the population through the use of education. In addition to education, the people of Haiti are lacking food, shelter, and basic essentials necessary for everyday living; as a result there is a lack of hope. The majority people in Haiti do not have running water nor electricity and in some rural areas some have never seen a light bulb, never the less a television or computer. Having these Visual Learning Centers will help the people of Haiti find hope. We are helping by providing jobs and a positive message that can help bring change for the betterment of the public.

The cost to run these thirteen Visual Learning and nutrition Centers, including utilities and labor is \$1,656,513. We are bringing light to the darkness, but we need your support to make the idea of educational, nutritional and economical growth in Haiti a reality.

Company Information

Faibien has a vision to help those less fortunate grow mentally, spiritually and socially. Faibien Corp. is well known in Haiti for advocating for the Haitian people. The founder, Ms. Clodette Mompont has the passion and the will to help those in need. Ms. Mompont exemplifies the term "Faibien", which means "to good unto others" daily. In her community, she is regarded as an ambassador of good will, volunteering her personal time and finances to help improve the lives of others. www.faibiencorp.org

The objective: Our primary objective is to educate and advance economic growth by opening video learning centers locating throughout Haiti. We will be running video learning programs such as "How Its Made" and " Zoo Animals" which promote the use of imagination and deductive reasoning. The program will run 7AM-7PM seven days a week. Many Haitians are ignorant not by choice but more so because of a lack of exposure to the everyday technology; which also causes some individual a lack of imagination and motivation. The situation of the Haiti people has become dyer and the need to educate the people must be addressed now.



The Goals: To reach mass population and to influence them in a positive way. We believe that it is not about where someone learns as long as they are learning. Haiti has steadily gotten worst in the domain of educating, feeding, and treating its citizen with respect, and we see that's a direct coalition to education. The important factor about learning is most and foremost teachers. That is the reason we have temporarily put on hold the idea of constructing large school buildings which would require more financial assistance and are instead moving forward with the visual learning centers. We decided to get teachers, security personal, tents, learning videos, and chairs. The people want to be educated and it is time to educate them now. Our project will give hope and dreams to a desperate and hopeless population immediately.

Cost Summary

Teachers 4 per locationx13= 52*\$4,542=\$236,184 a year

Security guard..... \$3,225 each yearx39=\$125,775 a year

Nutrition Cost..... \$6938 month x13=\$90,203 monthx12=\$1,082,447 a year

Cooks..... \$2820 x26 =\$73320 a year

Location cost \$1,800 year x13 =\$23,400 a year

Large Tent \$1,500 each x 13=\$19,500

Small generator.... \$1,200 each x13=\$15,600

Screen \$1,500 each x 13=\$19,500

Video Projector.... \$799 each x13=\$10,387

Laptops..... \$500 each x13=\$6,500 year

DVD's \$ 480 year x13=\$6,240/ year

Gas \$420 each per monthx13=\$5,460 a year

Misc \$32,200 /year

Product/nutrition=\$1,165,634

Employees=\$435,279

Land cost \$23,400

Miscellaneous=\$32,200

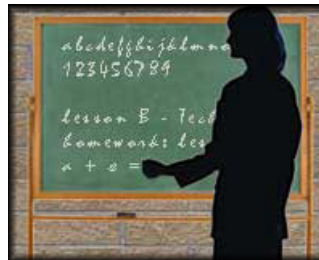
Cost per location: \$127,424 a year

All locations: \$1,656,513 a year

Cost Analysis and Description

Teachers:

Faibien Corporation will hire fifty-two teachers to operate the thirteen Visual Learning Centers throughout Haiti. We will have four teachers per location and the VLC's will remain open 7 days a week between 7am and 7 pm. The teachers will be able to provide knowledgeable answers to any question that anyone may have. The subjects will be Math, Science, Reading/writing and History. We will have the teachers on a rotating schedule to have at least two teachers on site at all hours during the time were open. The teachers will have lesson plans prepared two weeks in advance, in addition teachers will attend training program to keep their skills sharp and updated. They will also receive technology training to pass on to the students. Teachers will be paid \$189.5 bi-weekly, which comes to \$4,542 annually per teacher. The total amount for 52 teachers per a year will come to \$236,184. The teachers will follow policy and procedure to maximize the learning potential of everyone who enters the center. VLC's will be open to everyone and teachers will not discriminate base on gender, religion or race. Teachers will not practice corporal punishment of any kind, in addition, teachers will be friendly and professional to everyone they encounter at VLC's.



Security guards:

Faibien Corporation will hire forty-one security officers to protect and secure the thirteen locations we have throughout Haiti. We will have three security officers at each VLC working rotating shifts. The guards will be dressed in security uniforms while on duty as they work to safeguard our interest as well as the general public. They will follow the policy and procedure of the Haitian Government as pertain to Armed Security Guards. Anyone who wants to learn may come in and participate as long as they are not disrupting or hindering the safety of others. Guards will be paid \$124 bi-weekly, which comes to \$3,225 annually per guard. The total amount for 39 guards will come to \$125,775 per year. The guards will use necessary force to protect the teachers, public and product. Guards will also be responsible to open and close the

VLC's daily. The projector, generator and DVD/videos will be stored nightly in an offsite facility located near each of the VLC centers where the guards can retrieve them daily.

Nutrition Cost: Our plan is to feed the potential 25000-50thousand that we will encounter monthly. Furthermore, we plan to serve a nutritional Breakfast and lunch to the students. Our projected cost to serve breakfast and lunch for the thousands of people, the amount is \$6938 a month per location times thirteen is \$90,194 a month times twelve is \$1,082,232. That projected amount would feed over three hundred thousand student/client we will encounter during the course of the year.



Cooks: We will hire twenty six local cooks to prepared nutritional food for the individuals attending our facilities. The cooks will work five days a week from 8am -3pm Monday to Friday and will work 10am-2pm on Saturday. They will be paid \$87.5 biweekly and that is \$175 per month that's \$2100 a year per cook which comes to \$54,600a year total.

Location Cost:

The cost of rent per location will be \$1,800 a year, for a total of \$23,000. We will use prime areas, to maximize the exposure of the VLCs and to make it readily available for educating the public. Renting a location, allows us to be flexible to make location changes if necessary. For

example, if we were faced with a national disaster, we can simple move the VLC to a different location and continue to educate the people. We will continue to work with the Haitian government to reduce the cost, especially in some the rural areas.



Tents:

Large tents that can hold between 30-35 individuals will be used at each location. These tents will protect from the sun, rain and other inclement weather. The people of Haiti are ready to learn now and the tents serve as an effective setting to educate the people immediately without having to build large concrete structures. The important thing is the fact that we will be educating the people. Each tent will cost \$1,500 for a total of \$19,500 for all thirteen locations. The tents are expected to last anywhere between two to three years.



Portable Generators:

The lack of electricity in Haiti requires that we have use of a small light -weight portable generator at each VLC. The Generator we have in mind is the Honda 2000 watts portable generator. Theses gas generators weigh only about 50 lbs. Each generator can hold up to three gallons of gasoline and will use approximately one gallon for eight hours of use. Each night they will be kept in a storage location near the VLC where the security guard will have access to it. The cost per generator is \$1,200; all thirteen will total to \$15,600.



Screens:

Large portable screens are needed to run the math and science program. The screen will be a minimum size of 80Hx120W and will be portable to have easy access around the Visual Learning Centers. The screen will last between two or three years and will be use concurrently with the projector, laptop and generator. The cost for each screen is \$1,500; for a total of \$19,500 for all thirteen.



Video Projectors:

The Projectors will be use to connect the people to a technology driven world. The average projector can last between two and three years. The projectors weight about 25lbs and will be use to run math and science program such as “How it’s made” and other technology programs. They will run no more than two hours at a single time in and will have regular cleaning and maintenance to keep them in the best running condition. The cost for each projector is \$799, with one at each VLC’s for a total of \$10,387. Having the projector is extremely important,

because so many Haitians are illiterate and cannot read nor write. Therefore, having them see the various programs will help them grow by using their imagination.



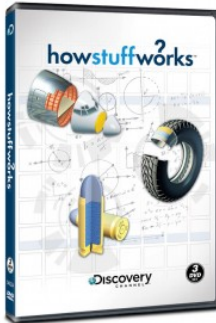
Laptops:

We also need a way to run the learning programs. For that we will require laptops at each visual learning center location. The laptop will be used to run the DVD's and teachers will be able to use them to prepare their learning agendas and schedules. In addition they will have access to Microsoft office and other needed programs. Each laptop will cost \$500 ;for thirteen laptop that's a grand total of \$6,500.



DVD's:

We will use a visual learning format to educate the people of Haiti. The visual format will make it easier for Haitian to use their imagination to simplify the learning. Videos such as "How it's Made", " How Stuff Works" in addition to other math, science and reading/writing video programs to make learning fun and interactive for all. The projected cost of the learning videos per VLC is \$480 annually. The price for all thirteen locations will be a total of \$6,240 a year.



Gasoline:

The centers will be located in areas where electricity is not available. We need gasoline to run our generator. Our analysis shows that we will need three gallons per location a day, and that cost will vary based on energy cost. Our research shows that we required \$420.00 US a month per location and that is a grand total of \$5460.00US a year.



Miscellaneous:

A) Repair:

Some of the issues that we might have to address are the cost of supplies (paper, writing utensils etc...) and maintenance and repair of our products. Repairs may be needed for our equipment and we must be able to respond quickly to any problems that may occur. It is imperative to have a consistent presence in the community. We will be allocating \$8,200 a year to make repair of our products.

B) Travel: the cost to travel to Haiti is \$1,000 quarterly that will be approximately \$4,000 a year. The break down per travel is as follow: flight \$500, hotel for 3 days \$300 and food/etc \$200.

Benefits

The Haitian public will benefit from this program. Our ultimate goal is to eventually build proper school buildings to house the youth, but since more than half of the population is illiterate, and the Haitian people are in need of education. We want to start right away by implementing the Visual Learning centers. We will start now by helping to develop and educate and feed the young and old alike. The idea is to get everyone involved in math, science and illiteracy program in addition to offering something good to eat and for most might be their only meal of the day. Visual Learning Centers will also help Haitian's economically because we will eventually grow to hire hundreds if not thousands to manage our daily functions. We are projecting to reach 25-50 thousand people a month who will spend an average of 2.5 -3 hours watching math, science and literacy programs at the Visual Learning Centers. In addition to just watching the programs, we will also have teachers on site to help answer questions that anyone may have about what they are viewing. Based on what we know, Haitian's are eager to learn new information and to apply what they have learned. Our prediction is that a Visual Learning Center in the community will benefit everyone.

