

Proposal of the establishment of a base food stock for the orphanage.

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Introduction

The Kasai Occidental is one of the two worst provinces of DRC both for food security and acute malnutrition. Butoke has an orphanage with a capacity of 50 children, currently 46 are interned. Food purchases for the orphanage come per year to USD 45.000 Out of that about 26 ton are base foods locally produced and can be purchased for USD 15.000 if purchased during the harvesting period in December, but if purchased as we go along they will be purchased probably for USD 30.000 or more as prices rise as foods become more rare starting March when prices double and often quadruple in price by november.

If we buy all now as the harvest progresses and stock it we can avoid these price rises and safe precious resources.

PROPOSAL

We propose to World Hope a small project to cover the purchase of the base foods and their transport to Tshikaji. Indeed purchases will have to be made at a distance from Kananga for most of the foods except perhaps cassava and part of corn.

The attached table shows the daily consumption in the orphanage, the weekly consumption and the yearly consumption and its purchase price if all can be bought now. The food items named are for daily consumption and are all local products that can be stocked.

The food can be stocked safely in our own buildings. Stocks will be divided in yearly reserve and weekly provision released every week To avoid security problems a night watchman will be available.

Reporting on this project will be done at different stages:

1. End December 2010 we will give a narrative and financial report on the purchases and the creation of the yearly stock and the weekly stock
2. End June we will give a midterm narrative report
3. End November 2011 will be the final report

Calculation of consumption of base foods in the orphanage (50 children and youngsters)

	Unit price kg	per day	per week	per year	cost yr
Corn	0.266 \$	25 kg	175 kg	9100 kg	2,421 \$
Cassava	0.188 \$	12.5kg	87.5 kg	4550 kg	856 \$
Beans	0.80 \$	5 kg	35 kg	1820 kg	1,456 \$
Rice	0.80 \$	10kg	70 kg	3640 kg	2,912 \$
soja	0.80 \$	7.5 kg	52.5 kg	2730 kg	2,184 \$
peanuts	0.80 \$	7.5 kg	52.5 kg	2730 kg	2,184 \$
wheat	0.80 \$	5kg	35kg	1820 kg	1,456 \$
bags	1 \$			331 bags	331 \$
transport					1,200 \$
				26.4 ton	15,000 \$