

A photograph of four children sitting at a table. In the foreground, a plate of white rice topped with a brown bean stew is visible. The children are looking towards the camera with various expressions. The background is a red wall with a blue horizontal stripe.

"STREET CHILDREN"
CENTRE OF HOPE
TANZANIA



COLLECTIVE CALLING



INTRODUCTION



The “Centre of Hope” (COH) site is located in Nyansha village, the first village west from Kasulu Town along the Kigoma Road. The school is to be jointly governed by a partnership of Amenity Charity Organisation (ANCO), Tanzania Institute of Adult Education (TIAE) & Collective Calling NGO.

Collective Calling will be the driving force through Europe bringing volunteers, expertise, funds & resources to the COH site. The COH will educate, equip and empower 60 children, alongside providing food and shelter for 32 of those children. Our vision is to transform hearts, minds and empower communities.



EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Initially, the COH will provide lodgings for 32 young people – 16 males and 16 females – who will be taught basic literacy and enrolled in the non-formal education programme the government has laid out as its access point to education for those who failed to complete primary school. Students will be grouped according to ability into two classes, one in each classroom and there will be two teachers employed full time to lead them in their studies.

It is intended that additional volunteer teachers will be recruited to help the staff and broaden the knowledge base the students can access. These volunteers will primarily come from Kasulu District and Europe via CC outreach. They will be provided with food, transport, references and information assistance in furthering their own studies or careers, wherever possible. All the teachers will be able to make use of the office space located in the classroom building. English will be eased in as the classroom language so that students will graduate from their programmes with an additional, economically valuable language.



LIVING SPACE

The students will reside in the present dormitory building, four per room, with girls and boys separated in different wings, and a matron will occupy the staff chamber at the centre of the building. It is envisaged that the side-entrances of the dormitory will be the usual entrances to the building for the students, to control the privacy of each group.

Boys and girls will use separate toilet facilities, and will use the wash block in same-sex shifts, while the other group completes daily duties supervised by the matron. This is also in order to protect the privacy of each group, which is especially important because of the severe oppression of women in the region and the normalcy with which violations of their rights are regarded. Other facilities available to the students of the COH will be the kitchen/canteen and basic sports ground that will be cleared by volunteers/students/staff using hand tools.



WATER & SOLAR

Water will be sourced from the existing well, which will be covered, as well as from a rainwater harvesting system and 33,000L water storage tank. The solar panels will provide some electricity for night-time lighting and for staff to charge electronic devices.

THE IMPACT



- 32 children no longer living on the street
- Family re-unification where possible
- Adoption for orphans where possible
- Getting an education that will lead on to opportunities for higher education, apprenticeships and work placements.
- Mental health and well-being improved
- Prevention of disease
- Skill sets developed
- Love and hope being instilled into these children's lives giving them a brighter future.