



**AFRICA (KENYA)**  
**Variety Village For Boys And Girls**  
**RAWCS #1-2000/2001**

*Description:-* This is a **Salvation Army** Village, which provides a two year course in metalwork, carpentry, leather craft, sign-writing, painting and tailoring.

*Further Information:-* “Variety Village” is an extension of the Salvation Army “Joy Town” school for crippled children. The centre caters for 24 boys and 12 girls, aged from 15 to 25 years. **Most of these young people are on crutches or wearing callipers; some are in wheelchairs.**

The students produce items for sale, thus assisting with the finances of the Village, providing a sense of achievement. There is also an optical section where lenses are ground and fitted to handmade frames for subsequent sale. The girls are involved in the optical project and sewing courses, where children’s clothes are made for sale. Employment for the able-bodied is difficult to obtain, for the disabled it is difficult without this type of help. Most students who complete courses are able to find employment in their own areas, and are presented with a small set of tools on graduating.

*Cost:-* A\$75 will keep a student at the Village for a year. A\$150 will sponsor a student for the total course period of two years.

*Donations and Copies of Correspondence to:-*  
 Project Funding Contact, PP Bryce Lillecrapp,  
 “Fernfield”, EDEN VALLEY SA 5235

*Overseas Contact:-* Major Wallace Mwaniki,  
 Variety Village, Salvation Army, PO Box 1472,  
 THIKA, KENYA

**AFRICA (ZIMBABWE)**  
**Prevention Of Blindness For \$12**  
**RAWCS #3-2000/2001**

*Description:-* The **Rotary Club of Harare** provides ointment for blindness prevention and also funds for a training program and hospital travel.

*Further Information:-* Zimbabwe is a country of nine million people, with some 1,250 doctors and 7,360 nurses. There are only five mobile eye clinics to cover the entire country.

Trachoma is a virus infection, found mainly in the dry dusty regions of Zimbabwe and is aggravated by malnutrition and unhygienic conditions. People living in rural areas have often regressed beyond ointment treatment and an operation becomes necessary.

The Council for the Blind, supported by the Rotary Club of Harare, train people to work in villages and provide bus warrants for people travelling to their nearest hospital.

Funds are required to train people for village work, for additional mobile clinics and to provide for bus warrants.

*Cost:-* A\$12 will provide the essential 4 to 5 tubes of tetracycline for application 3 times per day. This will cure the disease, if caught in the early stages, and thus help to prevent subsequent blindness.

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 Project Funding Contact, PP Bryce Lillecrapp,  
 “Fernfield”, EDEN VALLEY SA 5235

*Overseas Contact:-* P.P. Peter Johnson,  
 Rotary Club of Harare, PO Box 512, HARARE, ZIMBABWE

**AFRICA (ZULULAND - SOUTH AFRICA)**  
**Rural Zulu Classrooms**  
**RAWCS #4-2000/2001**

*Description:-* The Eshowe Christian Action Group, a non-racial ecumenical body with no paid staff or expense account, helps to build standard Zulu classrooms, in co-operation with parents and the Kwazulu Authorities.

*Further Information:-* The aim of this project is to have every community in the District of Eshowe, help itself, by supplying an adequate educational facility, for all the children of Kwazulu. At existing schools, it is not uncommon for a teacher to have more than 70 pupils in a class.

In the past five years over 600 classrooms have been built, but there is an urgent need for a further 200 classrooms. A standard plan for a double classroom along with detailed tender documents ensure the best construction for the available funds. Local labour and materials are used in construction, water tanks are included.

Donors are encouraged to adopt a school and thus receive continuing reports on their particular school. Before construction is considered, parents are required to deposit R1,200 (approx A\$350).

An annual audited financial statement is presented by accountants Coopers and Lybrand.

*Cost:-* A double classroom costs R14,000 (Approx A\$4,000). This amount is derived from three sources.

1. Parents - R1,200 (approx A\$350)
2. Kwazulu Education Department - R5,000 (approx A\$1,425)
3. Donations - R7,800 (A\$2,225)

Classrooms can be sponsored by several clubs and be considered as a district project. Donations of \$50, \$100 etc, will accumulate and help towards another building.

Classrooms are named after donors, who receive a report, with photographs. A baked enamel aluminium name plate is bolted over the door of each classroom and a list of donors appears twice each year in the national press.

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 Project Funding Contact, PP Bryce Lillecrapp,  
 "Fernfield", EDEN VALLEY SA 5235

*Overseas Contact:-* Frederick C Volbrecht,  
 Rotary Club of Eshowe, PO Box 229, ESHOWE 3815,  
 NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA

**AFRICA (MAURITIUS)**  
**Support For Children Needing**  
**Surgery In Australia**  
**RAWCS #5-2000/2001**

*Description:-* This project is to prepare children in Mauritius to travel to Australia to undertake life-saving surgery.

*Further Information:-* The Society for Aid to Children Inoperable in Mauritius (SACIM) is a voluntary, non-profit organisation which cares for children with congenital heart defects and other medical problems for which treatment is not available in Mauritius. Some of these children come to Australia for treatment. The Mauritius Government pays for airfares, and Australian doctors and hospitals usually donate their services. Escorts are chosen from suitable volunteers travelling to and from Australia.

*Cost:-* A donation of A\$300 will cover initial preparatory costs for a child to come to Australia for treatment.

*Donations and Copies of Correspondence to:-*  
 Project Funding Contact, PP Bryce Lillecrapp,  
 "Fernfield", EDEN VALLEY SA 5235

*Overseas Contact:-* PP Chota Moollan,  
 Rotary Club of Quatre Bornes, Box 314,  
 PORT LOUIS, MAURITIUS

**SOUTH AFRICA (NATAL)**  
**Functional Literacy for Adults**  
**14 years and upwards**  
**RAWCS #7-2000/2001**

*Description:-* To provide the framework for nearly four million illiterate people to gain a functional capacity in reading, writing and numeracy within five years. This District to District project has the potential to greatly enhance the lives, the living conditions and the future of the vast indigenous population. Over a ten year period the number assisted would increase to millions of people.

*Further Information:-* A Carl P Miller investigating team from District 9830 (Tasmania) has established a Multi District project with District 9270 (Natal) to provide funding for facilitators to be taught to teach teachers so that the teachers are able to instruct in both their mother tongue and on to English. South Africa has 58% illiteracy and desperately needs to redress the situation as the population now exceeds the 40 million plus mark. These people, desperate for knowledge, are prepared to help themselves, but outside assistance is imperative to establish a framework that can cater for this massive need.

*Project Needs:*

- (1) Cash for teacher training.
- (2) Classroom requisites such as exercise books, pens, pencils, chalk, teacher and student manuals, text books, library books, etc. Due to freight costs and specialised needs of text books and manuals in specific languages, these are best purchased in the home country.

*Cost:-* The cost of training one facilitator is \$25,000 compared to \$1,000 for training one teacher. Clubs may chose according to their own means, to provide part of the cost of training a facilitator or the lesser cost of training a teacher, or any donation would be gratefully received. Regardless of the size of donation, clubs will receive full reports on the scheme's progress.

**Important note:** This project is designed to be self supporting and once operational will be self perpetuating. Its aim is to help those in need to help themselves.

*Donations and Copies of Correspondence to:-*  
Project Funding Contact, PDG Dennis Henschke,  
46 Lambert Road, ROYSTON PARK SA 5070

*Overseas Contact:-* District 9270, Literacy Committee Chairman, PDG Vic Bredenkamp, 22 Glen Deodar, 528 Townbush Road, PIETERMARITZBURG 3200, SOUTH AFRICA Phone & Fax: (0331) 472530

*Local contact:-* Mr Larry Gofton, 630 Ten Mile Track SCOTTSDALE TASMANIA 7261

**AFRICA (ETHIOPIA)  
Fistula Hospital for Poor Women  
with Childbirth Injuries  
RAWCS #8-2000/2001**

*Description:-* Fistula Hospital for poor women with childbirth injuries in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Many young mothers, often teenagers, give birth to a stillborn child and suffer dreadful internal injuries as a result of extended labour in childbirth. The causes include the remoteness of villages, early marriages, lack of roads/transport and lack of available medical service etc.

*Further Information:-* Two Australian doctors the late Dr Reg Hamlin OBE and his wife Dr Catherine Hamlin AC started the Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital in 1974, although they had commenced treating fistula patients in the early 1960's. More than 17,000 young women have been cured as a result. There is 93% success rate with the surgery.

A fistula is a hole between the vagina, the bladder and sometimes the rectum, which allows urine to pass out continously. This causes the patient to have a repulsive smell. The women are usually abandoned by their husband and ostracised by society. Most arrive at the Hospital, weak, smelly, frightened and in a state of hopelessness. they are not welcome in a general hospital because they smell and wet the bed and other patients complain.

*Cost:-* The hospital is run as a charity. Patients are destitute. The operation and hospital expenses are provided free of charge. For each patient it costs on average about A\$300 to A\$350

A 'Rural Village' project is being built to accommodate patients who cannot be cured and require ongoing medical care. The cost of this new project is over A\$500,000. There are component parts of the project, which vary in cost from A\$15,000.

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Project Funding Contact, PDG Dennis Henschke,  
46 Lambert Road, ROYSTON PARK SA 5070

*Overseas Contact:-* Charles Sherlock,  
Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital, PO Box 3609,  
ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA

*Local Contact:-* Rev. Stuart N. Abrahams, Hamlin Fistula Welfare and Research Limited, 75 Nicholson Avenue, WESTLEIGH, NSW 2120. Phone: (02) 9875 2530, Fax: (02) 9875 3610, Email: snabra@ozemail.com.au and the International Director, Rotary Club of Elizabeth, PO Box 233, ELIZABETH, SOUTH AUSTRALIA 5112

**AFRICA (ETHIOPIA)  
Reforestation Program  
RAWCS #9-2000/2001**

*Description:-* Reforestation undertaken by the Ethiopian Orthodox church is part of a national effort to reverse environmental degradation.

*Further Information:-* The Ethiopian Orthodox Church has a long tradition in conservation and reverence for tree planting.

Since 1986 the Church has established 46 nurseries where seedlings are grown and distributed to surrounding villages. A community education program teaches the value of tree planting and shows methods to ensure survival. More than 90% of seedlings survive to become trees. Each nursery produces 300,000 seedlings per year and cost \$20,000 to run.

*Costs:-* Costs per hectare of planting based on 1997 figures are:

Seedling production	A\$170
Pitting (one year)	70
Weeding (one year)	90
Replanting (one year)	30
Protection (5 years)	1800
Tending	90
<b>Total</b>	<b>A\$2250</b>

This amount covers the cost of producing a five year stand of one hectare of Eucalyptus planted two metres apart.

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46 Lambert Road, ROYSTON PARK SA 5070

*Overseas Contact:-* Mr.Taye Bekele, Forestry Co-ordinator, Ethiopian Orthodox Church, PO Box 503, ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA, Fax 551 455

*Local Contact:-* Rotarian Malcolm McArthur, Rotary Club of Adelaide, GPO Box 2106, ADELAIDE SA 5001