

End of year report
2016 Project
StreetHearts Haiti

The funds provided to your organisation for the current year by TFWA Care were donated following the approval of the TFWA Management Committee and board. Among the prerequisites for funding by TFWA Care are transparency and accountability. We would be grateful if you could send us a brief summary of the project, the objectives achieved, problems encountered, impact on the local community and indicators of the project's success. We will share the report with the Management Committee at the end of year meeting.

Please do not hesitate to report on the project's successes as well as any aspects that did not go according to plan. This serves to provide a greater understanding of the challenges and issues encountered by the communities on whose behalf your organisation is working. Any quantifiable indicators will also be helpful in your report.

Thank you.



Project details

1. Please summarise in a few words the project supported by TFWA Care, including the principle objectives and duration.

This project aimed to assist a Street Youth Shelter in Cap Haitien called Streethearths. There were three principal objectives:

- Funding for education
- Solar Energy
- Alternative fresh food sources and storage

2. What activities were carried out within the scope of the project over the course of the year?

Education funding was provided and 64 kids went to school in 2016. The Solar Panels have been purchased and discussions with Project SucSEED are currently in progress.

Evaluation

3. Has the project been successful? Please outline the success factors for each objective as well as the challenges encountered and solutions adopted to overcome them.

The project has been successful. The children have been able to attend school in 2016.

The solar panels were purchased but not yet installed due to environmental problems. We delayed due to the rainy season which included Hurricane Matthew. Further, the area is still experiencing extreme flooding and ongoing weather concerns. Fortunately, the compound where the shelter stands has remained relatively unharmed and will continue as their base of operations moving forward. For this reason the installation team has been delayed until February 2017.

As a result, the third portion of the project which requires energy has also been delayed until February. We have been in contact with project SucSEED, a student based group who have created a box that comes ready to grow plants. The boxes are very cost effective and require almost no effort except for water to produce plants. The SucSEED project was originally created for Canada's extreme North but we have found it to also be a perfect fit for Haiti. A second group, Verde Vertical has similar system which can be used.

Whichever group proposes the best option both in terms of efficiency and cost will be used. A fridge will also be installed on the property once the solar panels are installed. Many of the kids have never seen a fridge before and are eagerly waiting to see how it works!

4. Did the work accomplished this year help you learn lessons that will benefit future work?

Yes, I learned how to improve the lives of individuals living in impoverished conditions with little resources using sustainable methods. The same framework from this project can easily be repeated in other areas.

Sustainability

5. How has the project had a positive impact on the community/ies at the core of the project and what will be the long term benefits? Please explain if the project has helped empower the beneficiaries by providing greater autonomy.

Once the panels are installed, the shelter will require zero energy from outside resources. It will be able to produce vegetables to compliment the diets of the residents and they will be able to sell additional produce if any exists.

6. Will the project continue in the future or is it now complete?

If the TFWA wishes, the next step would be to add medical visits to the shelter.

School does have to continue and another \$25,000 USD would accomplish this which the organization continues to fundraise through other activities. This amount would pay for tuition, books, uniforms and supplies. Streethearts is adding children and plans to keep 79 kids educated into 2018.



Finance

7. Please provide a summarised breakdown of how TFWA Care funds were utilised for the project.
- Education \$5000 USD
 - Solar Panels \$12,571 USD
 - SucSEED Boxes \$360 per box: to spend 5 boxes
 - Fridge \$300
 - February Installation: Free

We did not spend TFWA monies for transportation and were able to garner free installation of the panels for February 2017.

Please attach your latest annual report as well as any pictures you would like to use to illustrate this report.

We would be grateful if you could send this to John Rimmer (j.rimmer@tfwa.com) by **November 11 2016 at the latest.**

** If you would like to submit a request for further funding for a **new project** to be funded by TFWA Care in 2017, please complete the form on the following page.

Please note that all projects must be sponsored by a TFWA member, or they will not be accepted for funding.