Child Development Fund

Newsletter 5

This CDF Newsletter reports briefly on the current situation of our small foundation. In the previous newsletter we presented a number of ideas and plans for projects to be financed from contributions this year. First, the good news: from November 4, 2010 to June 6, 2011 we received a total of Euro 2,410 in external contributions. Our goal for the end of the current year is EUR 5,000. In addition to the external contributions, we contributed EUR 2,140 from speaking fees and sales of TingaTinga paintings¹.

For this year we have incurred the following obligations:

- 1. 10 Scholarships for children (mostly girls) in Mutonga, Kenya at a cost of EUR 180 per child and year.
- 2. 10 scholarships for children (mostly girls) in Nyanza, Kenya at a cost of EUR 180 per child and year.
- 3. Vocational training scholarships at a cost of EUR 1,000 per person and year for two young women in Jambiani, Sansibar (one for training as a "Laboratory Technician" and the other as a "Small and Medium Business Entrepreneur").²
- 4. A one-time grant of EUR 1,000 for the purchase of two good quality sewing machines for the Project Mutonga, Kenya.

These commitments mean that the Child Development Fund must acquire (in addition to the expected interests from the foundation's capital) at least Euro 5500 in contributions in the next years in order to be able to fulfil our current obligations. We should therefore

For information about our *TingaTinga* project see www.tingatinga-berlin.de.

For the implementation of this project we have entered into a written agreement with the British NGO ZAP ("Zanzibar Action Project"), which is also locally active and works together with our project manager. This arrangement avoids inefficient duplication in project management and grants. We profit in addition from mutual exchange of experience.

like to request you to help us in winning new friends for the foundations work if possible.³

The selection and counselling of the children receiving scholarships is carried out by the ChildFund Kenya, which will report to us regularly about their progress. In addition the children themselves write approximately once a year about their own impressions. We hope to be able to report on this aspect of our work in the next newsletter. The two sewing machines are used for the training of young women in a new vocational school in the Mutonga region.

We plan to travel to Kenya and Zanzibar at the beginning of next year in order to see for ourselves how the projects are proceeding. We also want to learn more about the "Voluntary Savings and Loans" [VS&L] programmes in order to gain new ideas for future projects.

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³ Reminder: Contributions should be sent to: Child Development Fund (CDF) (Barbara und Günther Schmid), Bank für Sozialwirtschaft, Stuttgart, BLZ 601 205 00, Konto Nr. 778 1826; Swift Code/BIC: BFSWDE33STG, Account/IBAN: DE98601205000007781826. *Important!* Please give with the donation your private address and you will get a receipt for contributions to a recognized charity.

⁴ We can be reached at the following E-Mail addresses: <u>schmidhdb@aol.com</u>; <u>gues@guentherschmid.de</u>. Please see our home pages for more biographical information about us: <u>www.editionpamoja.de</u>; <u>www.guentherschmid.eu</u>.