

Be *A* HERO®

*Goma Democratic Republic of Congo
"Mama Jeanne's Orphanage"*

PROJECT PROPOSAL



In Partnership with:
Harvest Ministries International

Be A HERO – General Information

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Founders



Wesley and Stacey Campbell, founders of Be A HERO, have a long history of working for mercy and social justice globally, speaking at 50 conferences per year. These authors of four books, including Wesley's most recent, "Be A Hero - The Battle for Mercy and Social Justice", have also produced 22 CDs, are members of the teaching faculty of the Wagner Leadership Institute, and sit on various Boards. Wesley and his wife Stacey live in Kelowna, BC with their five children.

Overview – Be A HERO

Be A HERO is a registered Canadian Charity with a mandate to educate, inspire, equip and facilitate people of all ages to challenge them to "Be A HERO" to the 1.2 billion children at risk due to poverty, homelessness, child labour, slavery, sexual exploitation, aids and plagues, and war. In partnership with proven, seasoned organizations we fight to save dying children by sponsoring orphans; building orphanages and schools; developing micro-enterprises; advocacy; prayer; and arranging "Hero Holidays" for people to see first-hand the desperate situation that many of our world's children live in, and to help at an orphanage or other mercy project.

Be A HERO was conceived to meet the need for a strategy to connect thousands of people who have a heart for 'children at risk' to the ground-level organizations who are actually doing the work – running orphanages and schools, rescuing children from slavery, feeding the poor. Many times, people have a desire to do something to help needy children, but have no idea how to go about it. Be A HERO provides the compassionate with step-by-step directions on how to gather those in their sphere of influence and, together, do something life-saving and life-changing! Be A HERO is working in partnership in 28 nations.

Be A HERO is structured in such a way that 100% of all donations for children's homes or projects go entirely to the designated project. This is possible because we have businessmen that specifically fund the administrative costs, staff and overhead, so that every dollar that is intended to help a child at risk can go directly to the need. We can issue tax receipts for both Canadian and US donations. Since inception in late 2003, Be A HERO has sent more than 3 million dollars to projects for children at risk.

Overview:

Harvest Ministries International

Art Lucier and his wife Heather are the pastors of The Harvest in Kitimat B.C. Harvest Ministries International works with Be A Hero in raising sponsorship and financial resources for Mamma Jeanne's Orphanage and various projects in Goma City, DR Congo.

Along with teams of volunteers, Art travels to Africa to lend a hand in numerous endeavours. The involvement with Mamma Jeanne's Orphanage has produced a new road, new buildings, and the installation of a water catchment system.

In September 2006 a team of 15 went to Goma City to deliver funds, and oversee a new dormitory, the completion of a new foundation and slab for a future school/church.

Mamma Jeanne's Orphanage History and Overview

Mamma Jeanne started bringing in orphans and separated children in 1993 at Masisi. Children had been orphaned, or become separated from their parents during interethnic conflicts and successive wars in 1996 and 1998 at the Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo in general, in Masisi territory in particular.

In 1997 Mamma Jeanne moved the children to Goma City due to the widespread insecurity in Masisi territory.

Since 1993, Mamma Jeanne and her staff have cared for more than 800 children. Some have been reunited with their relatives, Many have been victims of rape, and a small number have been infected by HIV/AIDS.

The stated goals of Mamma Jeanne's home are:

- work to reunite separated children with relatives
- care for the children physically, provide them with love and counseling to aid in their healing after severe trauma witnessing murder, rape, beatings etc
- provide the children with an opportunity to attend school (currently the children walk to a government school – future plans are to build and maintain their own private school where the quality of education will be much higher)

Mamma Jeanne and her husband, Pastor Prosper, along with about ten other adults, were caring for 250 orphans in an inadequate building on ½ an acre. The ½ acre site was solid lava and laid in the path of future eruptions.

Due to lack of space and lack of beds they had eight kids per bed. Also due to lack of funding these children could not be fed every day and often went to bed hungry.

Their income was \$500.00 CND per month, which was provided by Kitimat Harvest Ministries International in Kitimat, British Columbia, Canada.

Also a couple of local doctors from the Congo helped with food occasionally. These same doctors allow Mamma Jeanne to farm a separate parcel of land, 30 kilometers away. On this parcel they grow corn and other vegetables but they must borrow a vehicle or hitchhike to get there which makes this very inconvenient.

Change of location:

In 2005, Harvest Ministries went to Goma with the intention of building another structure on the original site. When they saw how small the site was and the location of the site (directly in the line of future volcano eruptions, the last eruption was in 2001) they decided to find a larger, more suitable parcel of land to build on.

Harvest Ministries bought Mamma Jeanne 2 hectares (5 acres) of land for \$20,000.00 (\$5,000.00 from Harvest ministries and \$15,000.00 from a Canadian donor). This new

land, though there is lava beneath the soil, has dirt and grass. It is not in a direct path of future volcanic eruptions, although former eruptions have caused lava to flow nearby. There is also a lake below with clean water.

Under the direction of Art Lucier and his team Harvest Ministries built a 24' x 50' concrete block building with a metal roof on this new parcel of land, and purchased some beds and bedding.



In 2006, a team from Kitimat, BC returned to Goma with donations from Be A HERO and Harvest to install doors and windows in this first dormitory for the girls, and begin construction on another dorm (for the boys). They also completed the road, built the two water catchment systems, and built the foundation and slab for a school (which will also be used as a community center).

They also bought a neighbouring property of 2.5 acres (cost \$7,000.00) which includes a large house and two foundations for buildings that were started but never finished. This house will be for the Director and some children, and the foundations will be used for future development. The two properties now total 7.5 acres for the children.

The new water system, installed in September, 2006, was made possible by a donation through Be A Hero by the Napa Valley Language Academy in Napa Valley California.

The new on-site water system involves a huge reservoir. This containment device



collects water via down spouts as rain runs off the building beside the tank. Without this in place the young women need to walk three miles, three times a day, with two 50 pound jugs, one on their heads and another on their backs. Often, the water they bring back has small parasites which can cause disease when ingested. With the new water system in place, water can be collected on-site and filtered. The photo (left) shows the tank being installed. Concrete is put in

place around the tank to prevent it from being stolen. Gutters and down drains are hung from the building to be connected to the tank in order to collect the rain water.

This will improve the quality of life for the women and children enormously.

Sources of finances:

- Mamma Jeanne's staff farms a parcel of land, growing corn, beans, potatoes, cabbages, and onions. Some of the harvest is sold to provide income, and some of the food is used to feed the children.
- The Be A HERO child sponsorship program is now working to raise sponsors for these children, to provide regular monthly support, ensuring that the children's basic needs are met.
- Harvest International Ministries from Kitimat, BC also assists financially with the needs at Mamma Jeanne's.
- A few local doctors help out when they can, loaning vehicles to transport crops, and occasionally supplying food.

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- Install the ceiling in the girl's dorm, and the floor and ceiling in the boy's dorm (\$1200.00)
- Connect power to the site from the nearby school (\$3000.00)
- Install a third water catchment system to provide even more water (Two are presently on site)
- Build 1 more dorm building 24' x 50' each (\$15,000.00; capacity 80 children)
- Furnish the boy's dorm and the proposed dorm - beds, mattresses, blankets (\$1000.00 each building)
- Finish the school/community centre building and add a kitchen (\$25,000.00)
- Equip and furnish the kitchen (\$3500.00)

- purchase a vehicle for farming, transporting supplies, taking children to medical care etc. (used 4 x 4 crewcab – \$10,000.00)
 - build a lava rock wall around the seven acres, to divert any future lava flow in the event of an eruption, and provide security and safety for the children. (\$12,000.00)
 - build widow's homes on the site, as caregivers for the children (\$5000.00 each)
- Operating expenses will be covered by child sponsorship, through Be A HERO's child sponsorship program.

In December 2007 the Napa Valley Language Academy raised \$3,200 to help build a rock wall around the orphanage to provide safety for the children in the midst of the ethnic and tribal wars and to provide protection from lava flows. A team from Canada left in January to begin construction of the wall, and deliver letters and photos from the NVLA children.

In addition to funds raised at Napa Valley's concert, local families chose to sponsor 25 children from Mamma Jeanne's, providing food, clothing, medicine and school supplies.

Budget for Relocating and Expansion

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Mamma Jeanne's Orphanage	
Capital Budget for relocation and expansion:	
Funded and Completed Projects:	
Description	Amount Funded
2-Hectres of land (South Goma)	\$20,000.00
Power to Site (from nearby school)	3,000.00
Purchase of neighbouring property and buildings	\$7,000.00
Girl's Dormitory #1 24 x 50'	\$21,000.00
Boy's Dormitory #2 24 x 50' (not quite complete)	\$12,000.00
Road	\$3,500.00
Supplies: Beds/Mattresses/Blankets/etc.	\$1,000.00
2 water catchment systems	\$2,500.00
Foundation and slab for School/Community centre	\$8,000.00
Capital Expenses To-Date Totals:	\$78,000.00

.Proposed Capital Projects	
Description	Amount Projected
Ceilings for dorms, floor for dorm #2	\$1,200.00
Dorm #3 24 x 50'	\$15,000.00
Complete School/Community Centre, add kitchen	\$25,000.00
Residence Building 40 x 80'	\$20,000.00
Property & Compound Fence (Lava containment)	\$12,000.00
Kitchen Equipment & Cafeteria Supplies	\$3,500.00
Beds/Mattresses/Blankets/etc. Dorm#2 & 3	\$2,000.00
Vehicle for orphanage (used 4x4 Crew cab)	\$10,000.00
Widows homes (\$5,000 each)	\$50,000.00
Total Projected Capital Expenses	\$138,700.00

100% of all funds donated for this project will be applied directly to the project. Be A HERO does not keep anything for administration. Be A HERO is able to do this because the Hero Partnership and Pillar Program participants designate their donations specifically for administration. If you would like to invest in this project, we accept donations by cheque or by credit card.

If you wish to sponsor one of these children please complete the attached Gift Form and fax, email or mail it to our office. A partial sponsorship, which contributes towards the food, shelter, and clothing costs, is \$33.00 per month. A full sponsorship is \$63.00 per month, which also contributes towards the medical and education costs for the child.

The payment options for child sponsorship are:

- one cheque for the year (\$396.00 or \$756.00)
- authorization for credit card withdrawals, either monthly or one amount for the year
- automatic withdrawal (please attach a VOID cheque)

Please make any cheques payable to "Be A HERO", and mail them to:

In Canada:

Be A HERO

P O Box 25077 Mission Park,

Kelowna, BC. V1W 3Y7

In USA:

Be A HERO

2504 W. Main St. Ste K

Bozeman, MT 59718

Note on all correspondence " Goma, Gongo"

You will be sent a receipt for income tax purposes early in the following year.

For information on other Be A HERO projects, please visit our website at

www.beahero.org.

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Be A Hero Gift Form

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____ Zip/P. code _____

Country _____ Phone (_____) _____

E-mail Address _____ Occupation _____

I would like to:

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|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Sponsor (partial)
\$33.00/mo or \$396.00/yr
(inc \$3.00 handling fee) | <input type="checkbox"/> Micro-business sponsorship
\$ _____
for _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Order Be A Hero
message DVD
\$15.95 USD + s & h + taxes
(contact us for amount) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Sponsorship (full)
\$63.00/mo or \$756.00/yr
(inc. \$3.00 handling fee) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hero Partnership Program
(Administration and Expansion)
per month – please circle amount
\$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 | <input type="checkbox"/> Order book “Be A Hero:
the Battle for Mercy and
Social Justice”
21.95 USD + s & h + taxes
(contact us for amount) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children’s Home Project
\$ _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)
_____ | |

country: _____

I would like to pay by:

Cheque: include 12 monthly post-dated cheques, or one lump-sum cheque for the year. **Make cheques payable to “Be A HERO”**

Automatic Withdrawal: include a VOID cheque with the amount to be withdrawn each month and the date of the transaction. Options are 5th, 20th or the 30th.

Visa or **MasterCard** Card # _____ Expiry Date: _____

Name on Card _____ Amount to charge \$ _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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