

**CONCEPT NOTE**

**OF**

**ECD HEALTH CARE CLINIC**

**1. Executive Summary.**

Journey House Africa (JHA) is a Community Based Organization, Non-Profit and Non-Governmental initiated in October 2017 to help spearhead community driven development initiatives and enable needy community groups participate in integrated activities to achieve quality livelihood and be self- sustainable. JHA delivers its activities through the power and spirit of volunteerism approach to build sustainable communities/ intercultural exchange and thriving villages in our country. Our main purpose is to provide early Childhood Development programs, Education, promote women/girls and youth self-employment and resilience through voluntary work-camps, short and long term volunteering youth mobility, social inclusion, sports and physical activities, community development, promotion of peace among our diverse communities, understanding and unity of purpose.

JHA provides also services in entrepreneurship and development, information technology trainings and empowerment (ICT) a program known as Gashora Digital, ECD program, health and education in HIV & AIDS management and awareness, Rehabilitation of street children, supporting orphans and vulnerable children, deployment of both local and international volunteers to various community projects, community entrepreneurship/community microfinance trainings and monitoring (Community Savings and loaning) , Capacity Building sessions to youth groups, vocational schools, primary and secondary schools, organic farming and agricultural activities, Eco-Tourism, Environmental education and Management.

**The project main objectives.**

* To provide the medical/Health services to the ECD children & Children from the poor households and the poor students of Gashora Sector.
* Diagnostic and treatment of commonly occurring diseases and ailments of children and outdoor, indoor and pediatric Diagnostic services.
* To provide trainings on Mother and Child Health Care Service to any one who seeks for it, and under privileged including localities.

**2. Programs Overview of Organization & Proposed Concept**

**i) Proposed Concept & Challenges.**

Gashora Sector is one of the sectors that make up Bugesera District, The sector has a total population of some **9,000** inhabitants; it has 2 ECD centers, but without any primary health care unit. The children have to travel some 3 to 5 kilometers either on foot, motorbikes or bicycles , using inaccessible roads, to seek treatment for malaria and other children illnesses as mentioned above.

Upon completion of the construction of the clinic, Journey House Actions will support the qualified pediatric healthcare workers and supply basic medicines for the clinic. Educational activities aimed at prevention and management of diseases as well as counseling will be provided to local population especially parents/guardians of the children by trained staff that will be provided by the Sector authorities in collaboration with Journey House Actions management. In order to help actualize this initiative, the community members together with Journey House Actions will embark on a fundraising campaign to help erect the clinic (infrastructure).

**ii) Solutions**

This project aims to construct a basic health care clinic at our Early Child Development (ECD, Gashora Sector has a population of **9,000** people of which two-third are children of school-going age. Currently there is no healthcare facility in our ECD center; everyone child in need of medical attention commutes on foot and via any other means available some 3 kilometers to the nearest Health Center.

This project aims to construct a basic health care clinic so that our **500** ECD children and at least **30%** of the remaining children in the community of Gashora can have access to basic health care services (i.e. treatments for malaria, cholera, measles, Cold, Cough, Diarrhoea and vomiting, allergies, skin diseases, eye conditions, neurological issues and gastrointestinal conditions to mention but a few and as well as provide community health education for the prevention of diseases and maintenance of wellbeing. It is also anticipated that children require more complex care such as surgeries and admissions and such cases after being recommended by our clinic staff will be referred to Sector Health Center or District Hospital.

**3. Long-Term Impact:**

This project will increase the overall wellbeing of our ECD children and other children from the surrounding villages by providing health services especially in pediatric diseases and health education to parents/guardians. These interventions will contribute to good healthy and hence good education enough for the children.

This initiative is in line with Journey House thematic objectives which is “To promote and protect the health of the population through equitable provision of quality healthcare”.

It is our hope that with your support, we can work together and make a difference in the lives of the children of Journey House Actions ECD centers and the children from the surrounding villages.

**5. Summarized Estimated Budget**

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| **Sr. No** | **Activity/ Item** | **Budget allocation** | **Assumption** |
| **01** | Construction Health Care Clinic (Land & Infrastructure) | 12,000,000 | *We expect an increase of between 5% &b 10% due to construction material price increase* |
| **02** | Medical Equipment (beds, mattresses, microscopes etc ) | 15,500,000 | *Ok* |
| **03** | **Doctors Nurses and Staff Salary** | **TBD** | ***Salaries & remuneration to be discussed upon human resources needed*** |
| **04** | Medicine Cost (Variety) | 10,000,000 | *We plan to buy variety of medicaments as per the Doctor’s /Nurse’s requisition* |
| **05** | Office Equipment Cost | 3,000,000 | *Ok* |
| **06** | Training Cost | 2,500,000 | *Planned twice per term for one year* |
| **07** | Miscellaneous | 2,000,000 | *In case of expected inflations* |
| **Total Budget Allocation 45,000,000** | | | *We expect an increase of 5% .due to future pull inflation* |