

# **HOSPITALITY**

#### Casa Patrick

# **NEEDS:**

To improve the quality of the service offered at Casa Patrick, active since 2006, some improvements are needed. In particular it is necessary to build the laundry and the electrical system, and to purchase some school supplies and equipment for the physiotherapy and for the care of children with epilepsy.

#### **CONTEXT:**

As part of the activities carried out by the Pediatric Kimbondo, in addition to the response to basic needs, such as new 250 mt. shaft, to bigger realizations, such as the Center, the project Casa Patrick is particularly important.

The house was built in 2006 by AGAPE Onlus for the reception of children with disabilities. This house takes its name from an HIV positive child who lived the last moments of his life in the arms of Mario, the former president of the association. Inside the building there are over 110 children suffering mainly from epilepsy, mental diseases, physical handicaps and encephalopathy. All children and young people are abandoned, sometimes for the inability of families to raise them and support them, but also because they were considered witches because of their birth and to their being "different". Children are followed daily by various mamans in pairs who take care of them and also clean the house throughout the day, and by three nurses who provide care and administer medicines to sick children. There are also an educator and two physiotherapists.

Recently there has been realized certain works, including: enlargement of the house using the old adjacent garage, renovation of the toilets, increasing of the staff and optimization of the organization and operations.

# **GENERAL OBJECTIVE:**

Improving of the quality of services offered to the 110 children living in House Patrick.

# **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. Improve of the health situation of the House through the creation of a laundry room;
- 2. Renovation of the electrical system to provide improved energy efficiency of the house;
- 3. Purchase of school supplies and medical equipment for the physiotherapy;

# **BUDGET:**

Laundry realization: 60.000 €

Renovation of the electrical system: 17.000 €

Purchase of school supplies and medical equipment: 5.500 €

Educational Project: 15.000 € / year

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