

Furaha Orphans' Centre - Infrastructure Needs, July 2008

Goal 1: New dormitory

This picture shows the boys' dormitory, recently completed in April 2008.

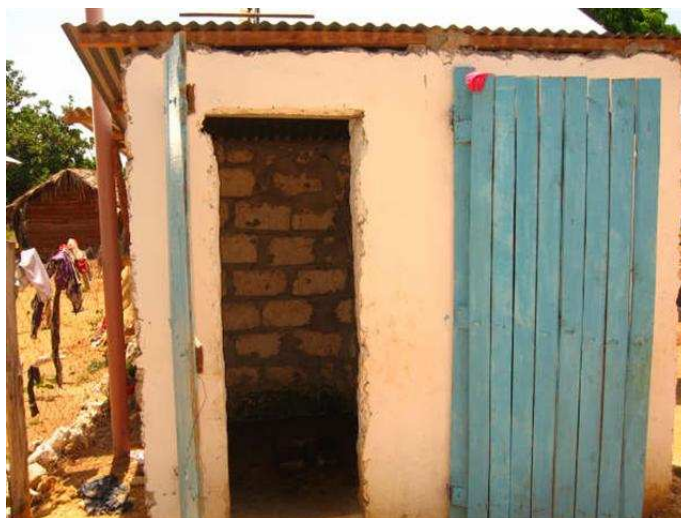


We hope to purchase an adjacent plot of land with a semi-completed structure on it (see photo on the right). This will serve as the girls' dormitory and study/dining area for the children under the care of the Orphanage.



Goal 2: Permanent washrooms for girls and boys separately.

This picture shows the current latrines used by the orphanage. There are no facilities for washing – the children use buckets and wash behind makeshift walls. We hope to improve this situation as soon as possible.



Goal 3: Improved cooking facilities

This picture shows the current cooking facilities. Ugali/beans or chapati (the staple foods) are cooked in a big pot over a fire inside this room. One of the priorities is to install a chimney for ventilation, as well as create a surface for preparing food & cleaning and keeping utensils.



Goal 4: Furniture

The orphanage currently has one table for dining/studying (see picture). We hope to buy more tables and benches, to be used for dining and/or studying.



We also hope to buy shelves and cupboards for the children to keep their books and clothes. The dormitories currently only have beds.



Goal 5: Permanent dining hall

The orphanage currently has a non-permanent structure made of slates of wood and a thatched makuti roof (see picture, building on the left). We hope to have a new dining hall made out of permanent materials (bricks and an iron roof). This is especially important during the rainy season when this structure is prone to leaks.



Goal 6: Brick wall

This picture shows the thin metal fence which surrounds the orphanage. Given the security concerns in the area, and in order to better protect the privacy and safety of the children, we hope to build a permanent brick wall around the orphanage. This concern has been raised by the Director on numerous occasions - there is no electricity at night, and intruders with stones have tried once before to enter the orphanage grounds.

