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There's a great amount of enthusiasm in Kabondo. The project is growing slowly but surely. The negotiations with the owner of the orphanage have been reinitiated since he has sped up the process to obtain title to the land. So prospects are good that Hope Home can remain where it is currently located. This will facilitate the planning and implementation. The status is as follows:

- The request for recognition of the orphanage is being signed by the responsible Minister;
- The outside of the building has been freshly painted; there are beds, closets, mosquito nets for everyone, kitchen materials; there's even a bit of electricity in the evenings for lighting and television;
- The children's health is followed up on a monthly basis at the hospital in Oyugis;
- A donkey (Toto) was purchased to fetch water; there is a playground; the children also have a dog (Cookie);
- Neighboring land has been zoned as residential, and building is commencing.



In agreement with the Private Foundation's objective, the following priorities have been set:

Hope for Kabondo's primary objective is to set up the orphanage, Hope Home, increasing its capacity to 20 children, purchasing the land needed and expanding the existing building for this purpose, as well as to support its daily operation.

The second objective is to support orphans living alone.

To improve the integration of Hope Home into the local community, a limited number of additional projects can be supported, benefiting both the orphanage and the local community (i.e. wells, playground, ...).

The following investments have been approved:

- A well (the responsible organization has filed a request to drill)
- A big electric generator, a refrigerator
- A solar panel for heating water
- A second cow for Hope Home, a few more cows for the women in the community;
- A few sewing machines for the community

- A playground, to be built on public property in the neighborhood (youth will be engaged to help with the construction)



Planned:

- T-Shirts with text: "I am positive and take 2 pills per day. Free", in the local Luo-language
- Sponsorship of material for two sports-teams: a women's volleyball team, and a boys foot-ball team.
- Purchase of a 4-wheel drive