

GONDAR ETHIOPIA COUNCIL
 EDUCATION WORK GROUP'S WORK PLAN
 FY 2016-2017

Mission Statement: The mission of the Education Workgroup is to improve the quality of education for children and adults, provide lifelong learning opportunities, and enhance cultural understanding among and between the people of Gondar and Corvallis.

[Note: Coordination of funds and management of stated work plan projects and activities in this document will be primarily defined in specific task orders written by EWG and details carried out by Link Ethiopia, a charity organization in Gondar and headquartered in London, England.]

Goal 1: Capacity and Access – Increase the capacity of Gondar’s schools, community organizations, and individuals to provide or access high quality education.

TASKS:	PROJECTED BUDGET	TIMELINE
<p><u>1.1 Improve Educational and Communication Resources.</u></p> <p>1.1.1: Explore the feasibility of sending visiting educators and specialists from Corvallis to join the Gondar College of Teacher Education faculty as partnerships develops as well as volunteer for projects within the Link Ethiopia Schools projects.</p> <p>1.1.2: Explore possible grant for joint project with WWWG, EWG and a Corvallis elementary school teacher and classroom to link with Gondar teacher and classroom for a TAHMO (Trans-Africa Hydrological/Meteorological Organization) which will be part of a network of weather stations being established throughout Africa. <i>(This idea was generated following a presentation at Talk for Water and a subsequent meeting with Gearhard Mallon-Behrns, 3rd grade teacher at Adams School, who is currently engaged in a granted project with a school in Kenya.)</i></p> <p>1.1.3: Plan for unanticipated expenses in relation to the shipment of the container sent in July, 2016</p>	<p>\$ 400.00 (at expense of educator)</p> <p>\$100 preliminary research.</p> <p>\$1000</p>	<p>Any time as needed</p> <p>Through 2016/2017</p> <p>September 2016-January 2017</p>

<p><u>(Continued from Goal 1)</u> 1.1.4: Support establishing an on-going collaborative effort involving the Gondar College of Teacher Education (GCTE staff to be determined) and EWG</p>	<p>\$500 Ray William</p>	<p>On-going monthly, once established.</p>
<p><u>1.2 Phase out the development of Tsadiku Yohannes Elementary Public School as a “Model School” project in Gondar.</u></p> <p>1.2.1: Bring to completion the following projects during FY 2016-2017 in the model school projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) replacement of existing computers in IT classroom (via container shipment) 2) add books and educational materials to TY library literacy (via container shipment) 3) add science equipment, materials and books to lab classroom (via container shipment) <p>1.2.2 Explore the feasibility of accepting a proposal from TY for classroom rehabilitation for classrooms damaged during recent storms. Project to be under the coordination of Link Ethiopia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Request Elsa Kebede, Link Ethiopia, to follow through on this proposal for Tsadiku Yohannes School, Gondar Education Dept. and other NGOs and determine shared costs, responsibilities and project parameters. <i>Repairing the damaged classrooms was a project that TY proposed to Link Ethiopia to share with CSCA-G’s EWG including shared responsibilities.</i> <p>1.3.1 Explore the feasibility of a joint project between Shembekit Village and the CSCA-Gondar Council, Water Watershed Work Group and Education Work Groups to build a kindergarten for the Shembekit Village School. Funding to be shared by the three entities. <i>Building a kindergarten for the school was a project requested by the Kebele leaders, including the proposed sharing of the cost and discussed at the April EWG meeting.</i></p>	<p>See 1.1.3</p> <p>Proposed cost to be determined</p> <p>Approx. \$10,000 to be shared by the partners</p>	<p>Sept 2016-March, 2017</p> <p>FY 2016/2017</p> <p>FY 2016/17</p>

Goal 2: Intercommunity Relationships – Encourage partnerships and build relationships between individuals in Corvallis and Gondar involved in the provision of and participation in educational opportunities.

TASKS:	PROJECTED BUDGET	TIMELINE
<p>2.1: <u>Explore the feasibility of the formation of a “Community Connections” Committee for building sustainable relationships between Corvallis and Gondar.</u></p> <p>2.1.1: Maintain communication and partnership with Link Ethiopia according to MOU by scheduled SKYPE calls and email exchanges monthly.</p> <p>2.1.2: Confer with community schools and organizations (e.g. OSU’s Center for Civic Engagement , Hydrophiles, International Scholars, Youth Advisory Council, Boys and Girls Club, other OSU service organizations, and Parents Group of Adopted Ethiopian Children) to promote activities (as was accomplished with Friendship Bracelets, Eye to Eye Projects, and Art Cards) for sharing between Corvallis and Gondar children and schools.</p> <p>2.1.3: Schedule presentations and materials to share with Corvallis teachers, parents, and students.</p> <p>2.1.5: Request Link Ethiopia, at the London Headquarters, in collaboration with C-GSCA’s Education Work Group, to facilitate obtaining a US travel visa for Gondar’s Regional Project Coordinator (Elsa Kebede).</p>	<p>TBD</p> <p>\$20.00 Skype costs</p> <p>\$400 for setup, refreshments, etc. (UEd-Eqpmt-suppl)</p> <p>\$200 for poster displays</p> <p>\$2000.00</p>	<p>TBD</p> <p>Monthly</p> <p>As can be scheduled</p> <p>Monthly or quarterly</p> <p>Spring, 2017</p>
<p>2.2: <u>Broaden partnership with Link Ethiopia to facilitate and support annual work plan.</u></p> <p>2.2.1: Explore the feasibility of a pilot project with Link Ethioia to support nutrition for families and children</p> <p>2.2.2: Bring to culmination Link Ethiopia sponsored project for libraries and reading literacy in Gondar schools with expected final achievement report</p>	<p>\$100.00 (DA-Adv-Promtn)</p> <p>\$0</p>	<p>For planning in FY 16-17</p> <p>Fall 2016 Winter 2017</p>

2.2.3: Explore the feasibility of joining LE's child sponsorship program		Fall 2016
2.2.4: Establish with Link Ethiopia a formal process for recruiting and sending Corvallis volunteers (delegates) for service projects needed in Link schools.(see 1.1.1)	\$500.00 (DA-Adv-Promtion)	Spring, 2017
2.2.5: Explore the feasibility of collaborating with Link Ethiopia in current and future income generation projects in Gondar..	\$0.00	2016-2017

Goal 3: Cultural Understanding – Build Cultural Understanding and Appreciation between the residents of Gondar and Corvallis.

TASKS:	PROJECTED BUDGET	TIMELINE
<u>3.1 Sponsor and Conduct Cultural Events in Corvallis.</u>		
3.1.1: Increase sister city awareness through school presentations, newspaper articles, website updates, and contact with OSU and civic service organizations.	\$100	Monthly
3.1.2: Support Sister Cities week through the window display at Footwise, Saturday Market information table, and library bulletin boards.	\$50	As they occur
3.1.3: Explore the development of an “Educational Study/Work Tour” to Ethiopia as a way to bring local residents to Gondar, connect our two cities, build relationships and also grow our membership.	\$100 Initial Promotion costs	As they occur
1) Establish a sub-committee to develop this idea to propose to EWG at a regular scheduled meeting.		

Goal 4: Organization Resources – Build personnel and financial resources in the C-GSCA’s Education Work Group to achieve mission and goals.

TASKS:	PROJECTED BUDGET	TIMELINE
<p><u>4.1 Collaborate and Network.</u></p> <p>4.1.1: Maintain communication with the Gondar Ethiopia Council, Public Awareness Chair, and Youth Advisory Council to promote its mission, projects, need for volunteers, and fund-raising efforts.</p> <p>4.1.2: Continue to maintain communication and partnerships with WWWG in raising awareness and generating support for projects that support our mission and also recruit interested residents in the community.</p>	<p>\$00.00</p> <p>\$00.00</p>	<p>Monthly</p> <p>On-going</p>
<p><u>4.2 Fundraise.</u></p> <p>4.2.1: Collect items in Gondar to be sold at Ethiopian Cultural Dinner Auction. NOTE: This dinner will not be scheduled for 2016/2017 year.</p> <p>4.2.3: Schedule annual ‘garage (GS) sale (early fall) ,and other needed fund-raising events (miscellaneous=M).</p>	<p>\$300.00</p> <p>\$100 for signage and advertising</p>	<p>When visiting Gondar</p> <p>When scheduled</p>
<p><u>4.3 Report Progress.</u></p> <p>4.3.1: Provide monthly and annual reports to the CSCA-Gondar to sustain coordination and updates of activities.</p> <p>4.3.2: Prepare monthly agendas and minutes to Education Work Group.</p> <p>4.3.3: Submit articles to newsletter and website.</p>	<p>\$00.00</p> <p>\$00.00</p> <p>\$00.00</p>	<p>Monthly</p> <p>Monthly</p> <p>On regular basis</p>