

Still working on this but wanted to post a few updates! I have been in daily contact with John trying to work out government logistics as well as getting an architect to draw up plans for the school so that we can show the DAO what will be built and get a more exact cost/budget put together.

I would love your feedback on this new iteration of this idea! Also please feel free to DM with any questions or if you feel like you could help in any way with this.

ApeSchool: Building a primary school in West Africa (Ghana)

Category: Brand Decision

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ABSTRACT

Fund the construction of a school building in West Africa (Ghana) to provide a safe, clean and functional learning environment for the future builders of Web3.

TEAM/AUTHOR DESCRIPTION

[BojangleGuy](#) (Hunter Crandall): I spent a few years of my life in Ghana (West Africa) doing humanitarian work. It is something that changed my life forever and I am super grateful for the opportunity I had to spend a few years in such an amazing country. I return to Ghana on a regular basis and [try to help](#) as much as possible. It is something I will continue to do for the rest of my life. I now spend most of my time running a business with my wife, traveling the world, and taking care of my 2 kids!

John Hounlessodji: I met John while living in Ghana back in 2015. He was one of those people that from the moment I met him I knew we would be lifelong friends. John is a successful businessman and has helped provide for thousands of people through his multiple businesses. He has spent most of his life in construction and has overseen numerous construction projects. He is currently building an apartment complex in Accra. John will be the project manager overseeing this project and ensuring construction is done on time and on budget.

[@apboat](#) (Appiah Boateng): APboat is also a life long friend who lives in Ghana. He is studying software development at the Ghana Institute of Management And Public Administration (GIMPA) and is slowly starting to learn the world of crypto. He will act as our boots on the ground. He is a member of the DAO and will make sure we all feel like we are there every step of the way.

MOTIVATION

One of the biggest issues in Ghana (or any underdeveloped country) is the access to a quality education. Though it may seem insignificant, a basic primary education (typically from age 3-15) will give a child a much greater chance to break the cycle of poverty and keep them from forced labor, teen pregnancy/marriage, and allow them an opportunity to become something great.

There would be no monetary ROI with this AIP. That being said, I think the ROI of giving children a chance to receive an education and the chance to be the next great scientist, engineer, doctor, teacher, astronaut, or anything else they may dream of becoming is worth more than any amount of money.

RATIONALE

COMING SOON

SPECIFICATIONS

Our goal is to build a brand new school in the village of Dzodze. The current school which serves KG, Primary, and JHS students (students ages would range from 3-15) is completely destroyed/non-existent. The reason we chose this location is due to the high population density (it can serve more children than an extremely remote village) and the government's willingness to donate the current land which saves us from having to buy land and build a school in a new location.

Once funding is received we will immediately start construction. We expect construction to take approximately 4-6 months. (see image of proposed school design) Once construction is complete we will furnish the school and have an official ceremony to turn the school over to the government.

As part of this proposal I am asking for \$10,000 (see full budget below) to cover travel expenses to visit the construction site 1x during the construction phase as well as travel expenses for myself and one other member of the DAO (this could be open to all DAO members and voted on or someone nominated by Special Counsel) to attend the hand off ceremony.

STEPS TO IMPLEMENT

1. Determine final location for where the school will be built. (Pending local government approval)
2. Begin construction

3. Complete construction
4. Hand over ceremony from the DAO to the local government

TIMELINE

Once funding is received we will begin construction immediately. After speaking with John (Project Manager) who will oversee this process, we estimate it to take 4-6 months to complete construction of the school. We will then schedule a ceremony to officially open the school and hand it over to the local government. Provided we don't run into any construction/supply chain issues we expect this project to be finished in ~6 months.

OVERALL COST

\$250,000 USD

\$210,000 building material costs and labor

\$30,000 school fund to buy desks, chalkboards, school supplies, uniforms, tech, books, etc. If there is any left over from this fund it would be saved and used for future supplies.

\$10,000 travel reimbursement for DAO representation 1x during construction and 2x for the hand off ceremony.

I will attach a few photos from my recent trip (Nov 2022)

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