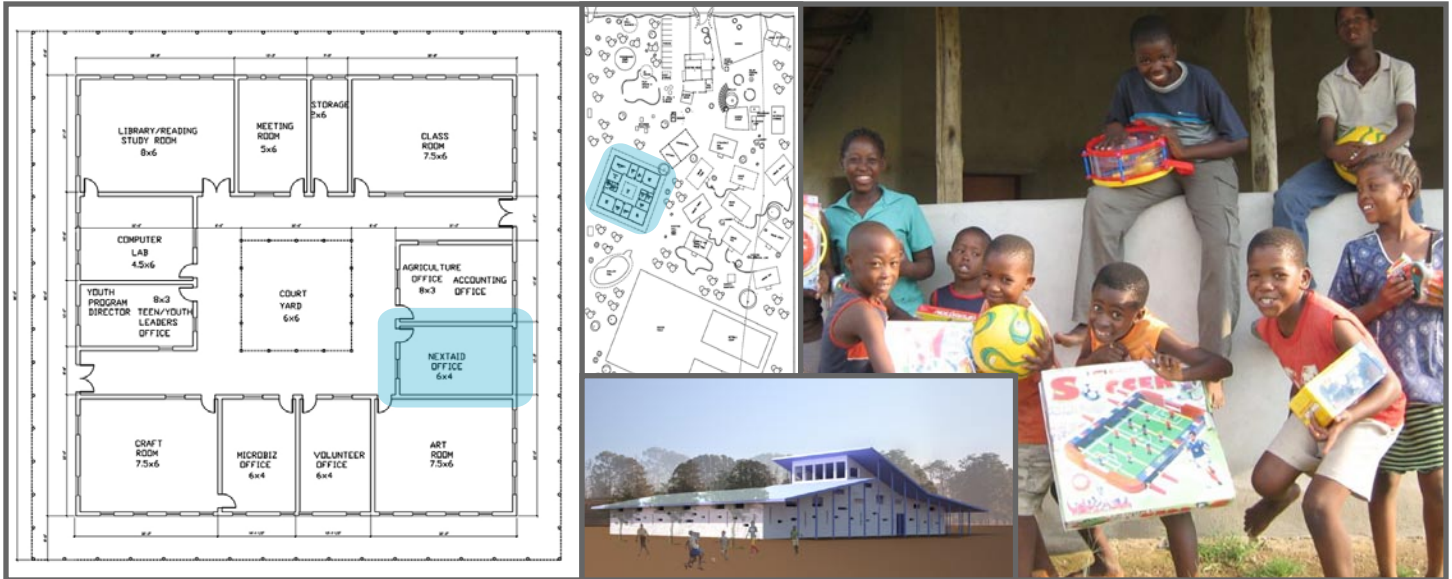


Adopt-A-Project Program Project Specification Sheet

NEXTAID YOUTH WITH A VISION COMMUNITY CENTER AND CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL VILLAGE IN DENNILTON, SOUTH AFRICA



▲ NextAid Office in the Main Center

Designed by Joseph Kennedy, Louise Lakier, and Geoffrey Collins

Purpose

The NextAid office will provide a space for international volunteers or NextAid personnel to work on-site in Dennilton. It will be an area for long-term or short-term visitors affiliated with NextAid to conduct their work in the areas of: natural building, capacity building, administration, orphan and childcare programming, and community development. NextAid envisions a program of cultural knowledge exchange, whereby volunteers will live and work on-site for terms of 2 weeks up to a year to provide training and enrichment opportunities at the center in areas such as: arts, technology, business management, and education.

Size

Approximately 6m x 6m

Features

- Multiple use tables/ desk areas with seating
- Computers and shared printer
- Shelving and file storage

Methods & Materials

- Compressed earth block wall construction (bricks made locally)
- Metal roof with water catchment (gutters and cistern)
- Electrical (lighting and power)
- Built in shelving and cupboards

Cost

\$5,000 USD

Your contribution is tax-deductible. You will be acknowledged in creatively designed signage on the structure in Dennilton and if you choose, on our website and in our materials.

Background

NextAid is a Los Angeles-based non-profit organization committed to developing and implementing environmentally sustainable, economically and socially empowering solutions to the AIDS orphan pandemic. Through grass-roots efforts, NextAid provides opportunities for concerned individuals across the world to make a tangible difference.

Our flagship project is successfully underway in a poverty-stricken rural town called Dennilton, two hours northeast of Johannesburg. Working with ecological architects and experienced natural builders, NextAid broke ground in July 2005 kicking off the construction of the NextAid Youth Community Center and Children's Residential Village.

Now six buildings are completed including a performance space, energy-efficient outdoor kitchen and seating area, two earth-bag offices, and a straw bale house. The village will serve as a safe home for 50 children, a multi-purpose center for the greater community, and a model of best practices for future projects throughout Africa.

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