

**7. Some urgent needs**

- Computers, Laptops, Digital Cameras, Cell Phones, Computer Parts, Printers and Fax machines, Office Stationery, Scanners, Photocopy Machine
- Clothes
- Shoes
- Toys
- Wheelchairs
- Medical Equipment
- Educational Books For our Library
- Sewing Machines
- Carpentry Tools
- Farming Tools
- Public Address System (Microphones, speakers, amplifiers, ...)
- We accept any kind of useful equipment.

**8. How You Can Help**



*Volunteer your skills.*



*Make a secure online donation via PayPal through our website at [www.hintonline.org](http://www.hintonline.org) Consider supporting us regularly*



*You can also make a direct bank-to-bank transfer into our UK Bank account. Contact us account details.*



*You may also donate any of the items listed in section 8 above.*



*You can organize an event to raise funds for our work right where you are.*

**9. Some of our current/past corporate donors:**



Oxford University, England



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**TACTICAL TECHNOLOGY COLLECTIVE**  
Tactical Technology, Netherlands



Valley Life Centre, USA



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Kabissa, Washington, USA



Digital World Foundation, Italy

*"Never underestimate the power of a clear path"*

*Helps International*

(HINT)

*Cameroon*

**Our Mission/Purpose Statement**

*To improve on the social and economic well-being and health of the poor through education, skills development, and job creation.*



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with the government of the Republic of Cameroon.

## 1. Who We Are

Helps International (HINT) is a community-based non-profit NGO that was founded to help improve on the social and economic well-being and health of the poor through education, skills development, and job creation without discrimination of race, color, religion, political beliefs, gender, national origin, or disability.

## 2. Our Objectives

- To fight poverty and unemployment by providing marketable skills in ICTs, agriculture, and business set-up & management.
- To provide interest-free loans to jobless and poor youths for business start-ups, thereby reducing unemployment.
- To improve on the health condition of the poor by setting up Health Centres in poor communities.
- To contribute to the fight against the rampant transmission of HIV/AIDS and other STIs through education and development of self-reliant projects for jobless adults, and vulnerable youths.
- To provide education, health care, clothing, and feeding assistance to orphans, street children and very poor children from subsistence farming homes.
- To contribute to community development through projects such as wells, portable water, health units, schools, Electricity...
- To offer emergency relief to victims of natural and/or man-made disasters when need arises.
- To HELP anyone in need whenever we have the resources to.

## 3. How we are organised

HINT Cameroon is led by an Executive Council comprising an **Executive Director** who works in close collaboration with an **Administrative Assistant, General Secretary, a Treasurer, Financial Secretary, and Communication Manager**. A **Board of Directors** provides overall guidance.

## 4. Our Projects/Strategies

- i. **Information & Communication Technologies (ICTs)**
  1. **Community ICT Training Centres**  
Provide **access** to and job-oriented **training** in Computers, Internet, secretarial administration, web design, Networking, Computer Maintenance, Desktop Publishing, Photo Editing.
  2. **Computers for Development (ComDev)**  
Provision and installation of Computers in Schools, Community Centres, Non-profits ...
- ii. **Education**
  1. **Child sponsorship**  
Providing, textbooks, fees, and uniforms to orphans and children from poor families.
  2. **Community Education Libraries**  
Ensuring that children in primary and secondary schools have the textbooks they need to be successful in their studies.
  3. **Community Education Centres**  
Providing orphans and children from poor homes the opportunity to still have a dissent education despite their poor backgrounds.

## iii. Health

1. **Community Health Centres**  
Making it possible for the local community to have access to low-cost and affordable health care services.
2. **HIV/AIDS**  
Sensitisation/awareness, Training Community Educators, Prevention, Counseling, support for PLWHA.

## iv. Economic Development

1. **Micro-finance**  
Providing interest-free loans to young enterprising youths for business start-ups.
2. **Research Institute for Social Entrepreneurship & Technology (RISET)**. RISET will provide a two-year intensive entrepreneurial training to youths between the ages of 17-30 who have a passion to transform communities through Social Entrepreneurship. In the meantime, we run short seminars for young business people.

## v. Community Development

1. Providing clean drinking water to underprivileged communities.
2. Providing electricity in underprivileged communities through Solar Energy.
3. Emergency Relief.

## 5. Achievements

- More than 600 youths have been trained since 2003 to be able to effectively use the computer and the internet.
- We currently run 2 IT training centres located in Buea, Cameroon equipped with over 30 computers.
- More than 50 children have been helped to attend school.
- More than 25 unemployed youths have been trained as web designers. With their new skills, they can generate income that will help them overcome poverty in their lives.
- About 12 people have so far received loans for micro-businesses.
- More than 60 community leaders have been trained to become HIV/AIDS Educators within their communities.
- HINT is a certified training partner with Kabissa's "Time to Get Online" Training program. Kabissa is a Washington-based NGO.
- HINT won the Global Junior Challenge competition in 2004 in Rome.
- HINT' was a participant at Africa Source II, which ran from Jan. 8-15, 2006, in Uganda, organized by Tactical Technology, Netherlands.
- HINT's Director is a graduate of the 2006 class of the Global Social Benefit Incubator (GSBI) program at Santa Clara University, USA.
- HINT has been congratulated by Cameroon's Minister of External Relations with a letter dated Jan. 24, 2005 and referenced 000219/DIPL/D3/SDCNG/ONG

## 6. Our Financial Policies

Integrity, financial accountability and transparency are our guiding principles in financial matters. At the end of each year, we audit our accounts and we send a financial report to all our donors.