

AAE La Gonave report – Countryside activities

NURSERY

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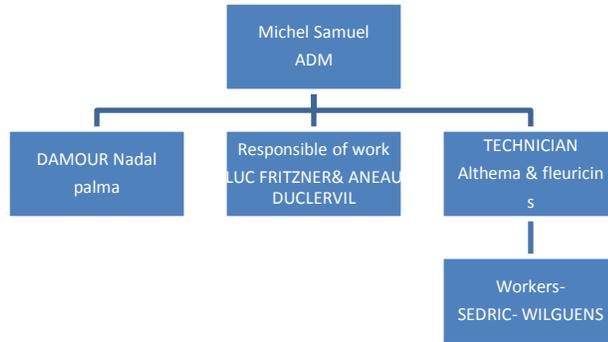
We congratulate everyone who supports AAE in its effort to go ahead and to have force in order to become a self-sufficient ; working is hard but harvesting is easy and good . That is why we take time to grow crops because we want to do good thing.

We have started with different kind of little projects that hopefully prove the importance of our works here and shows our donors what we have done donors and that we have well employed their generosity.

I wish to apologize as the photos in our reports; our camera does not keep the date well and we have problems in transferring them from a portable USB to the main computer. We hope that they illustrate enough of our efforts in the nursery here on the Island; it is a difficult job mainly due to the lack of water, as everyone knows that gardening needs a good quantity of rain, especially in the dry season. We will continue paying for water and transport, as we are glad of our current results and will continue on.

Besides vetiver and moringa, we have planted rows of tomato papaya, parsley, leek, and so on. As they grow, they need to be transplanted and this also involves more water; we normally use motorbikes to transport water cans, but petrol is expensive and the motorbikes are confined to this job. We are considering purchasing a donkey or mule for this job so we can save more money and can increase the capacity of the garden.

At this stage, we are satisfied that the money given to us for this nursery has been well spent, the community is responding to our efforts, cooperating, contributing with work and duplicating our examples as they can in their own yards.



Above: rows of plants. Right now those rows become a reality for us

Below: plants at transplantation stages and in containers.



CHICKEN COOPS

The first aim of the chicken coops is to produce eggs for the children diet because some eggs used here come from abroad and are not good quality, that is why we use our chicken in the chicken coops. We have two chicken coops in NAN-RISKE and PALMA, the chickens at NAN-RISKE give lots of eggs for the children at the club every Saturday but not enough yet to feed all our four sites.



As you can see that the chicken coops need more chickens. The one at NAN-RISKE had 19 chickens but 6 of them died by the Sandy passage cyclone here, however the eggs you see are from them. There were more eggs at NAN- RISKE soe we sent some to Mare-Sucrin, our other site that doea not have a chicken coop yet, for the children's Saturday club. Palma also had 19 chickens but most of them died because of the passage of hurrivane Sandy. Nadal will increase that chicken coops because he is the supervisor upthere there is only 8 left in.

SATURDAY CLUB

The children's Saturday club program includes environmental education in our four branches for a total of approximately 320 children. Our program is available on demand and the program is paid for until August.

The club started on the first of December, and we could not send a regular monthly report - sorry - because one problem has happened and we lost the memory stick with the photos for the sites. We are very sorry for what happened but, we will send you photos. We budgeted the Saturday club program in a real way, yes that have been done clearly even if some changes have occurred because of the weather and depending on what plans for the day.

Even if a lot of problem happened in the Project , as losing the memory card with the photo s for Mare-Sucrin and Palma , and also the camera that has the wrong date setting at Nan- Riske , but I do all I can do personally to solve those problem and hope that will not arrive in future .

It is my job to send reports every month and also to have general supervision at all our four sites on the Island , that's requires time and maintenance in the my own second hand motorbike to make sure that our program is on the right way.

As we have planned to give the children fruit in place of candies; it is sometimes difficult to find, mangoes, banana, orange, grapefruit, and water . so, sometime we are obliged to give them some bread with peanut butter from Palma, caw milk, banana, cheese , water and so on, but it is still a good diet

Hereunder the photos for that program , because there are some photos that I have not sent in a detail report on our four sites together so that you can see , understand and trust us , but As I told you a report without picture is not a proper report , that is why I believe in myself to work for my community.





Conservations of the Land in NAN-Coton

As we prepare for the school plan one obligation has been to oversee the collection of the rock in order to fence and safeguard the area, especially along the road to the land. It is a lot of work but it has been accomplished as Nadal's project and with the community voluntary work, it cost us only food for a week, and \$ 50 US has been taken from the emergency fund.



LAND TAXES PAYING FOR TWO YEARS ‘

The land taxes fees for those three pieces of land we are \$13.8 US for each piece, and we must pay two years at a time. So 13.8 X 3 pieces of land X2 years.

That’s mean we have to pay \$ 82.8 US for the two years. So, we also got that from the emergency found.

Management balance sheet

DESCRIPTION	QTY	PRIX -UNIT	TOTAL	GREAT TOTAL
workers	2+AAE MEMBERS	\$ 30 weekly for food	\$ 30 weekly for food	\$ 120 US monthly for food
Paper tax for land	3 pieces of land	\$ 13.8x3x 2 years	\$ 82.8 for two years	\$ 82.8US from emergency found
Fence at rock	////////////////////	////////////////////	\$ 50US	\$ 50US from emergency found
Water carrying weekly	4	\$10 US	\$40US	\$160 US MONTHLY
Gaz for motorbikes*	4 gallons	\$5US	\$20US	\$20US monthly
Technician	1	\$40 US	\$40 US	\$40 US

*These are private motorbikes that are offered for free.

Money spending for this month,

Table of the money received for those projects with percentage using \ or not using yet.

Total of money received \$3600 US

project	qty	Qty use	Balance	% of using it
emergency	\$750 US	\$182.8 US	\$ 567.2 US	18.28%
Saturday club 4 branches	\$720 US	\$ 360 US	\$ 360 US	50 %
Sewing room	\$180 US	\$ 0 US	\$-0 US	0%
Nursery	\$1000 US	\$ 1000 US	\$-0 US	100%
Children’s Christmas	\$200 US	\$200 US	\$-0 US	100%
Tinini’s school (private sponsor)	\$200 US	\$200 US	\$-0 US	100%
Robert expenses	\$200 US	\$ 200 US	\$-0 US	100%
Extra fund	\$350 US	\$ 137 US for nursery	\$ 213 US	47%