



## Developing sustainable solutions for education, health, water, sanitation and income generation.

Education is a major component of empowerment and sustainable development because, once achieved, it can never be removed.

With the generous support of our donors and the CIC-ICA partnership, our education program funds new classrooms in impoverished communities of Cameroon.

This program was developed within a holistic, participative planning approach that includes:

- The construction of 20 new schools over 5 years
- Upgrading the skill levels of volunteer parent teachers as well as the few professional teachers that exist in the region
- Providing didactic materials and tools, including textbooks and uniforms
- Providing a focus on educating the girl child
- Rewarding academic accomplishment and celebrating achievements in order to shift attitudes contra education and to foster excellence.

It is remarkable how far our donated funds can be stretched. A new 2-classroom school (including latrines) plus materials for one year costs only \$36,000, and has been proven to improve the lives of an entire community.

**How The Retired Teachers of Ontario/ Les enseignantes et enseignants retraités de l'Ontario (RTO/ERO) can help.**

Our organizations share a strong, common passion for improving the lives of children through education. We both truly understand the impact it can have on their wellbeing.

Through a partnership with ICA, your members will have the opportunity to have a lasting global impact on the lives of thousands of impoverished and isolated children and their communities in Cameroon. ICA offers the opportunity to contribute financially, as well as participating in person on our projects.

*Empowering communities through Partnership, Sustainability and Respect.*



## The only way to break the poverty cycle is through the development and empowering of the community as a whole.

ICA was established in 1994 in Canada. Through the generosity of our sponsors and the dedication of our volunteers and community partners, we have helped to; make clean water more accessible, fund and manage the construction of schools, purchase school uniforms, construct latrines in underserved areas, provide opportunities for sustainable income generation, and support a number of important local social programs.

### Past School Projects:

- G.S. Lekeng-Nwangong
- G.S. Ndumbin
- G.S. Njilap-Nwangong
- G.S. Tchougui-Nkong
- G.S. Amboh-Besali
- G.S. Bangang
- G.S. Menji-Fonjewmetah
- G.S. Nsoko
- G.S. Efong
- G.T.C. Njenawung

### Our Impact:

*"I thank you for your continuous support to the school both financially and materially. During the last academic year the payment of two PTA teachers and the supply of workbooks made teaching and learning more effective. The school scored in official exams 96.5% in Government Common Entrance into Form 1 [grade 7, high school] and 100% in first school leaving certificate"*

*– Headmaster Elias Tayem*



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