

“Solidarity with the poor must be seen as the essential element of the Christian life.” – Pope Francis



Pick a Project to Support OLMC’s MISSION in NIGERIA

When Father Onunwa returned to his village in Nigeria last January, he found significant unemployment, especially among the educated youth. He and the town elders identified ways to help the community while creating opportunities to develop sustaining work and service. They established NGO with a Missionary Account to protect the funds that may be raised for this purpose. ***Turn the page for details about all the projects.***

Projects:	Cost/per	Goal (#)
Snail Farming	\$500	12 – 15
Vegetable Garden	\$500	10 – 20
Pig Farming	\$500	5 – 6
Oil Mill Project	\$6,000	1
Garri (Yucca) Processing	\$6,600	1
Poultry Farming	\$2,000	10
Bakery	\$7,500	1
Motorcycle	\$1,600	10

Questions? Contact JoeFerrara.olmc@gmail.com

Snail Farming:

With new advanced method for cultivating snails for food, it is any easy, effective and productive business. Snails are expensive on the present market. Cost is \$500 to begin a business, and we hope to support 12 – 15 people to begin such a project.

Vegetable Gardens:

The growing season is long. Greens, Garden eggs, tomatoes, Red and green peppers, spinach, yams are grown. The major limitation is proximity to a water supply for irrigation. Cost is \$500 to help someone get started, and we hope to assist 10 – 20.

Pig Farming:

It takes time to nurture and grow but they do grow well and eat anything. \$500 will get someone started, and we hope to support 5 – 6 different locations.

Oil Mill Project:

This requires a digester, an engine, a press, a sifter and drums for cooking the palm nuts and separating the byproducts. The cost conservatively is \$6,000.

Garri Processing:

Garri, (Yucca in Spanish) is like cream of wheat. It is the staple food in the village. It requires a small grating machine, a manual server, a drier, and some frying pans. Cassava is processed to garri in one day, with the new technologies available. One set up costs approximately \$6,600.

Poultry Farming:

Production from the pullet (hens for egg production) is daily and broilers for meat mature in three months, making this business most productive. It is costly to begin but if done well can be a great employment opportunity with many benefits. The learning curve and number needed to make it profitable is a start-up of \$2,000. We hope to support about 10 people.

Motorcycle:

It is a lucrative business for young boys. It is a major vehicle of transport from the village to the township. Estimated cost - \$1,600. We hope to sponsor 10 young boys.

Bakery:

Bread baking in the village would serve everyone. Cost is about 7,500 for a small bakery.

Can You Help?

We encourage support of part or all of any of these projects. Joining together with friends or family may allow one project to happen by your efforts and sacrifice.

Pick a project: _____

Make a Pledge: _____

Name: _____

Email/Phone: _____

Make checks payable to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Memo: For Mission in Nigeria).

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