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1. Who are you?

SOS CLEAN WATER, Inc. is a non-profit and charitable organization that is working to bring relief to rural communities in Sub-Saharan Africa who suffers needlessly from a lack of access to clean water and proper sanitation.

2. Are you a 501(c)(3) organization (Is my gift tax deductible)?

Yes. SOS CLEAN WATER, Inc. is a public charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law.

3. Where do you work?

SOS CLEAN WATER, Inc is currently focused on raising money to construct water wells, rainwater catchments, filtration systems, and adequate sanitation facilities for unfortunate communities in Ivory Coast (Cote D'Ivoire) first and then across Africa.

4. Where does this money go?

Like any non-profit organization, we have many expenses outside of water project construction costs, such as:

- Awareness campaigns in schools and businesses
- Writing and administrating grants to support our work
- Preparing reports on water projects
- Building partnerships
- Human Resources
- Website hosting
- Donation processing fees
- Computers
- Equipment expenses, maintenance, and purchase
- Database and newsletter services
- and a bunch more

By making any amount of donation, know that you play a vital role towards the accomplishment of our mission and we sincerely appreciate your investments in this work. Know that your donations are multiplied as they enable SOS CLEAN WATER to inspire newer donors to give.

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5. What type of Organization are you? Religious? Political?

Neither. We are simply a charitable non-profit organization.

We work to help unfortunate people regain hope without any discrimination of ethnicity and religion.

6. How do I know the money was well spent?

We are part of all processes, from raising funds to getting clean water. We provide project specific details and a final report, including photos of the accomplished water and sanitation faculties to show how people's donations impact rural villages or school children. We will build a lasting relationship with our donors, by creating confidence in our work and credibility through our projects.

7. Do you help dig wells?

Yes we do. Some of our board members will be on the field to work with local labor.

8. How much does a well cost?

The cost to dig a well in Africa varies greatly from one site to the next. On average, the cost is between \$6,500 and \$35,000, depending on depth of the water, the number of people served, and the type of well.

9. Can I volunteer?

Of course! Currently, we are seeking individuals who are inspired to act.

We are looking for anyone who is willing to tell others about SOS CLEAN WATER. Directing or leading people to our cause and website is the key to our shared success. Everyone has the ability to tell someone else. If you have any social networking connections, please involve everyone you know. This is perhaps the single most important way any one person can help!

Please get involved today by setting up your fundraising goal, convincing friends, coworker, and family to support the cause.

Collecting donations to be used to reach our goal: SAFE-CLEAN-POTABLE WATER for everybody.

10. Are you accepting project proposals?

No, not at this time.

11. Projects we support.

Using local labor and management, and [donated funds](#), we help dig wells, build small dams, collect rainwater in large tanks, and filter dirty water with Biosand water filtration systems. We believe it is essential for assistance such as ours to be a help, not a hand-out.

We believe that providing clean water restores hope by enabling our partners to make a "whole-life impact" in the communities they serve through their broader development activity. We desire to see access to clean water enable schools to

thrive, people to get back to work, farming to provide enough food to earn a living, and suffering to be alleviated as health improves.

We believe the issues facing Africa, India and other under-developed parts of the world are not simply today's problems. We know that a lack of clean water stands in the way of tomorrow's hope. And we're sure that together we can change that.

[Read our Shared Statement on Water](#)

Won't you please consider [joining us!](#)

[Read more about our programs »](#)

12. Where we work.

We have projects in Cameroon, Haiti, and India.

13. How we began.

When we heard first-hand from our friends in Kenya about the [devastating effect](#) the lack of clean drinking water is having in communities where they work and live, we had to act.

We began our work to alleviate suffering in August of 2006. And what started with a few inspired teens and adults, in Saint John, NB Canada - now based in Concord, NH, USA - today reaches thousands of new people every day with a compelling call to action. The Water Project, to date, has helped over 60,000 people improve their access to clean water. All of us have experienced the impact a few voices can have. We know that every effort and contribution matters. That's why we continue to tell others, so that they might do the same.

We are asking everyone we meet to come with us and work towards a common goal of seeing water make it to the mouths of the nearly one billion people throughout the world who today suffer needlessly.

We're asking you to very seriously consider how you might [be a part of this effort](#) with us.