## Provide support to Local and Church Institutions

Organization Name: Franciscan Boys Home, Bethlehem

Project. No:

**Proposal Subject:** 

Purchase and install new kitchen appliances and wood cabinets

**DB0238** 

Organization Profile: No. of beneficiaries 33 boys

**Total Request** 

€15.500.00

The Franciscan Boys Home was founded in 2007 by the Custody of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. It offers special services for 33 Palestinian male children between the ages of 5 to 18 years old, who come from Christian disadvantaged homes. Rising unemployment and poverty in Bethlehem district has contributed towards family violence, alcoholism and drug abuse, among other negative social problems which are increasing each year. These boys are provided with shelter, food, health assistance, education opportunities and psychosocial assistance whereby most of them stay at the home full-time. However, the children leave on Saturday to visit their families and then return on Sunday. The Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land covers most of the running costs of the Home, including the salaries of 12 persons, that include a social worker, 6 teachers, 2 cooks, 2 cleaners, and a gardener. The Franciscan Custody also pays all the tuitions fees on behalf of all the students.

## **Project Description**

The Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land rented a space 13 years ago from the Franciscan Sisters in Bethlehem (the White Sisters) and established the Franciscan Boys Home. The Custody covers the running expenses of the Boys Home each year, which is a valuable contribution towards a needed service for children in need. Donor grants have contributed towards the home's rehabilitation over several years, particularly in the dormitory section and the kitchen, which provides the boys with a comfortable living quarter. The home also has a small chapel where the residing priest celebrates daily mass and Bible reading to nurture the Christian faith in the boys who missed this in their home life. However, there are other needs of the home which cannot be overlooked. This includes the home's old refrigerator which has broken down and needs to be replaced with a heavy duty, energy-saving refrigerator, and freezer. There is also the need to purchase and install new wood cupboards to store food as the existing pantry is unsuitable for food storage. After consultation with the PMP engineer, it was agreed that the old refrigerator should be removed and replaced, and new storage cupboards installed. The proposed project intends to employ local unemployed Christian laborers to customize and install the new wood cabinets while the refrigerator and freezer will be supplied by a Christian appliance supplier in Bethlehem Governorate. A grant is requested from KHS-Holland in the total amount of €15,500.00 to cover the project.





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Budget Details		
Construction works	€7,443.00	
Equipment (refrigrator & freezer)	€7,057.00	
Engineering fees	€1,000.00	
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App. No:

Total Request from partner donor	£15 500 00
Local Contribution	€0.00
Total Project Budget	€15,500.00

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