

All About You...

Tell us all about yourself.

Name: Applicant Number 2

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Tell us something about you and your work:

For the past few years i have been selling art on behalf of a group of artists in Zimbabwe. The 5 artists are part of the Kumakomo Trust, Kumakomo meaning 'home.' The groups art work uses a variety of media, from collage to paint, to etchings. All of the work produced however aims to show the beauty and hope of the Zimbabwean people.

The money from the sales of the paintings in the UK goes to the running of the Kumakomo trust, and also for income to my artist friends. As you can imagine, income is not easily gained in Zimbabwe. The aim of the Trust is to strengthen and empower Zimbabwean art and culture, the belief being that in so doing, other areas of Zimbabwean society will be benefited. The artists feel that you cannot separate art and culture as the voice of the people, from development and change.



All About Your Plan...

Go into as much detail as you can.

Please describe what you would do with the £500 award:

If we won the award, the money would be used to help buy the Kumakomo trust the centre they have been longing for. The artists have a vision to start a drop-in arts centre in Bulawayo that would include a recording studio, art studio, community cafe, and emergency shelter for those in poverty. From there they would be able to run art lessons as well as hosting their popular live music and dance evenings.

In UK terms, this would cost a great deal of money, but British pounds go along way in Zimbabwe. The estimated cost of the entire project is just \$40,000 and so £500 would go along way to make up the money needed. The trust have already received most of the necessary money through the sales of art work in the UK, and donations from people here. I would hope with this award, they would be even closer to reaching the end goal.



All About Your Plan...

Your creative dream? Personal development?

If you were chosen to receive this award, who would it benefit and how?

(e.g. Would it be your personal development, a community project or other?)

I hope if the money was won, the whole of the Bulawayo community would benefit. There is presently very little provision for artists, or even lessons in art or music for children, as many do not attend school. I hope that many young people across the city would be blessed by expressing themselves through art at the centre and learning new skills.

I also believe the whole city would be encouraged by the promotion of the Zimbabwean culture through the centre. In a place where many have lost faith in their country, promotion of the national identity and of the positive parts of their culture, could promote a new wave of Zimbabwean pride.

Your Project Budget:

Expenditure	Projected	Confirmed
Total	£500	



The small print...

Supporting Documents

