

We the leadership team of Compassion Africa, a Christian relief organisation will, over the next ten years seek to do the following for the children of Sierra Leone:

We will develop Compassion Africa villages for children who have been orphaned or are in need. Each village will house up to 200 children in families. In each village we will provide a community centre that will serve as a multi purpose facility, housing a training centre, skills workshop, after school care facilities, a church and much more.

We will provide a medical centre that will be staffed with doctors and nurses as appropriate.

The houses in our villages will be smart, individually designed and distinctive, painted in pastel shades. Each house will have its own garden full of tropical plants and bushes. Our villages will also provide communal football fields and playgrounds for their residents.

We will create a unique strategic growth plan for each village, based on a programme of phased development. Our methodology will become an accepted standard, and will be used as a model by other agencies committed to the improvement of life quality for the people of Africa.

Sustainability of the project within the local context will be ensured by our National Management Board, overseeing village elderships working in partnership with people from within the community and beyond, both professionals and otherwise. (These partnerships will include social workers, counsellors, medical staff, pastors, teachers, government agencies, NGOs, charities and others, local, national and international.)

We will seek to make increasing use of natural, renewable resources to provide for the ongoing energy needs of our communities in an innovative and eco-friendly manner.

Our villages will provide a cohesive, co-operative, organised community in which well behaved and lovingly disciplined children will live in families of 4-6 people at a time. Each family will be cared for by a dedicated house parent who will provide a high level of care in a loving environment.

A community based training programme will run in each village, accessible to residents and to people in the surrounding area. Each programme will seek to cover personal and spiritual development, life and leadership skills, vocational and creative arts skills. We will also provide a school to cater for the educational needs of children living in each village.

We will develop local agricultural projects that will provide a large proportion of the village food requirement, with any surplus being sold to finance other village projects.

Projects within our villages will seek to provide employment opportunities not only for people living in the village, but also for people living in the surrounding areas.

1. Community training programmes
2. Agricultural projects
3. Villages
4. Community development
5. Sustainability