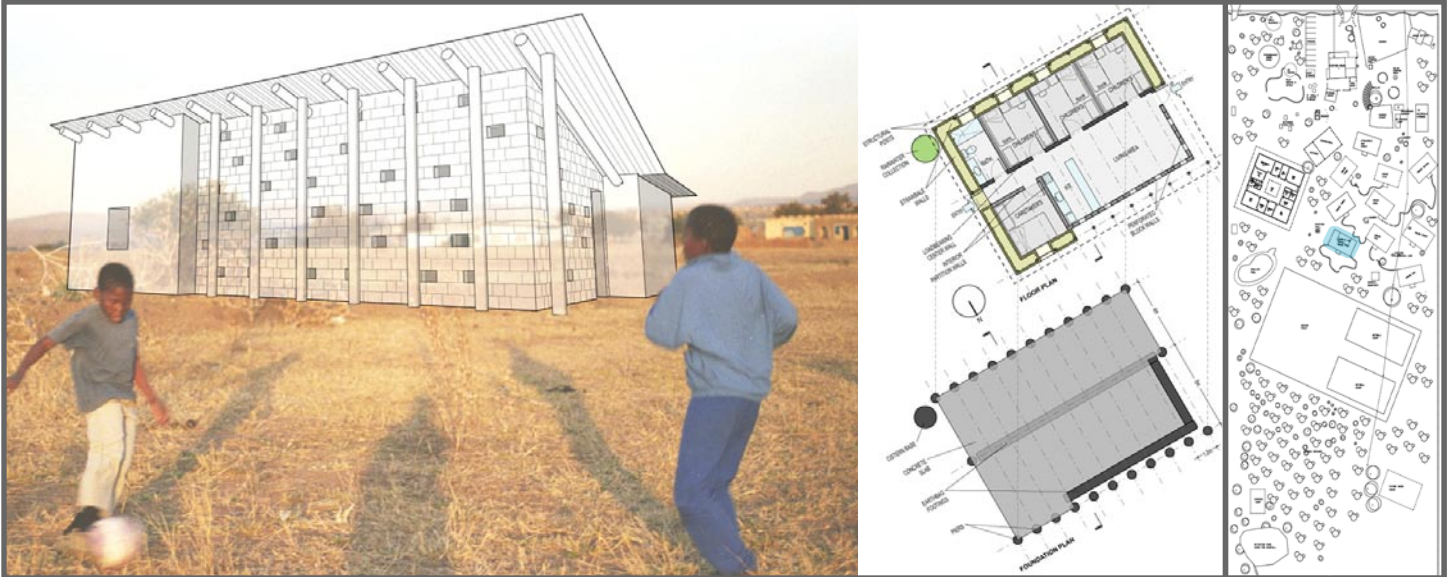


Adopt-A-Project Program Project Specification Sheet

NEXTAID YOUTH WITH A VISION COMMUNITY CENTER AND CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL VILLAGE IN DENNILTON, SOUTH AFRICA



▲ Children's Home #3 "Hybrid House"

Designed by: Joseph Gabriel, Architect, San Francisco

Purpose

This building will house six children and 1 to 2 caretakers. Its four bedrooms and bathroom consolidate the private areas in an L-shape surrounding the shared kitchen and living areas, providing a comfortable home for eight people within the context of the larger community center. Two children will share a room and each child will have his/her own bed, closet and cabinet for personal items, and a desk with good lighting for optimum studying.

Size

Approximately 12m x 9m = 108 sq meters

Features

- 4 bedrooms for 8 occupants
- Personal storage and workspace
- Kitchenette with family dining space
- Full bathroom with composting toilet and grey water disposal
- Naturally insulated walls and passive solar strategies

Methods & Materials

- Hybrid system of compressed-earth block, strawbale/plaster, and post-and-beam wood poles
- Standard doors and windows
- Frameless windows from scrap glass/plastic
- Metal roof with water catchment (gutters and cistern)

Cost

\$23,000 USD

Your contribution is tax-deductible. You will be acknowledged in creatively designed signage on the structure in Dennilton and if you choose, on our website and in our materials.

Background

NextAid is a Los Angeles-based non-profit organization committed to developing and implementing environmentally sustainable, economically and socially empowering solutions to the AIDS orphan pandemic. Through grass-roots efforts, NextAid provides opportunities for concerned individuals across the world to make a tangible difference.

Our flagship project is successfully underway in a poverty-stricken rural town called Dennilton, two hours northeast of Johannesburg. Working with ecological architects and experienced natural builders, NextAid broke ground in July 2005 kicking off the construction of the NextAid Youth Community Center and Children's Residential Village.

Now six buildings are completed including a performance space, energy-efficient outdoor kitchen and seating area, two earth-bag offices, and a straw bale house. The village will serve as a safe home for 50 children, a multi-purpose center for the greater community, and a model of best practices for future projects throughout Africa.

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