

SUKE QUTO SCHOOL PROJECT JUNE 2018

1st school block completed

We are happy to inform you that the construction of the 1st school block is completed! Our new contractor finalized the toilet building with 6 toilets; 3 for the boys and 3 for the girls. This means that we can focus on the 2nd phase of the Suke Quto School Project. Thank you for getting us this far!

Hiccups during the 1st phase

Unfortunately, the school has been closed for two months because of the political unrest in the Odo Shakiso woreda. The unrest is caused by the conflicts between people from the Guji area and the Gedeo people – an ethnic minority in the Guji zone. The Gedeo people are forced to leave their houses and have to move out of the area.

At the moment, the government is intervening by sending military forces so the Gedeo people can return safely to the Gedeo zone. Because of this situation the official hand-over of the school, between Tesfaye and the Bureau of Education, still didn't take place. The situation is slightly improving, and we hope to organize the handover in July.

2nd school block

The Bureau of Education decided that the 2nd school block will be built on the other side of the village, closer to where a lot of children live. We are in negotiation with different contractors, and as soon as the situation in Ode Shakiso stabilizes, we will start building the 2nd school block which contains 4-classrooms and a toilet block.



Financial update

In total, we received \$91,441.67 in donations and transferred \$65,586.43 to Mr. Tesfaye Bekele Degaga, project coordinator and owner of the Suke Quto Farm, for the construction of the school buildings. He is our ears and eyes on the ground and coordinates the construction work. The Bureau of Education and the local School Committee approve the designs and offers we propose. \$65,586.43 USD have already been invested in the Suke Quto School Project. The remaining funds will be used for the 2nd school building.

Sub Structure		
Excavation & earthworks	ETB 75,489.45	\$3,226.36
Concrete works	ETB 180,676.50	\$7,721.98
Masonry works	ETB 133,469.00	\$5,704.36
Sub Structure total	ETB 389,813.00	\$16,652.70
Super Structure		
Concrete works	ETB 132,951.50	\$5,682.25
Concrete block works	ETB 81,081.90	\$3,465.38
Roofing	ETB 136,275.00	\$5,824.29
Carpentry and joinery	ETB 128,429.70	\$5,488.99
Metal work	ETB 73,094.00	\$3,123.98
Plastering and other floor, wall, ceiling finishing	ETB 204,941.50	\$8,759.04
Glazing	ETB 20,700.00	\$884.70
Painting	ETB 35,535.00	\$1,518.74
Electrical installation	ETB 34,707.00	\$1,483.35
Super Structure total	ETB 84 7715.60	\$36,230.72
Additional work	ETB 176422.22	\$7,303.00
Finishing sealing of the roof		
Fixing windows and doors		
Cementing the floor paving around the building		
Painting outside		
6 toilets paved and covered	ETB 130464	\$ 5400
TOTAL	ETB 1,584404.13	\$65,586.43