

Background:

International China Concern (ICC) has been working in Changsha City, Hunan since 1993 and has positively impacted the lives of hundreds of abandoned and orphaned children. In 2004, in response to a new community-based care policy and due to a local government imposed deadline, ICC relocated a group of 40 severely mentally and physically disabled babies and children from their "Hope House" facility to a rented facility called "Ya Tang Cun."

Present Realities:

A top priority of ICC is to provide high quality care homes for the children. This goal cannot be fully realized in the Ya Tang Cun care home due to the following reasons:

- > the rental agreement runs on a yearly contract limiting long-term stability
- > there is limited space for indoor activities and therapy
- > there is limited space for outdoor activities
- > the facility is already at full capacity, limiting the ability to offer space for newly abandoned babies with disabilities.

Plan of Action:

ICC has identified a 10,000 sq. ft. three-storey building in the Xin Tian district that is suitable for the center. The plan is to purchase the building to provide long-term care (including space for an extra 16+ children), and to renovate it, providing space for: Child Care Department and Facilities, Specialized Therapy/Medical Facilities and Office Facilities. Once that is completed, they will move 29 of the current 40 children at Ya Tang Cun into the new Care Center for Disabled babies and children.

Positive Benefits:

As a result of the new building, 40+ children will receive more attention, have more room for indoor, outdoor and therapeutic activities and will be shown the love of the Father through caring for their physical, emotional and spiritual needs.

Projected Costs:

PROJECT COMPONENTS	FUNDS REQUIRED (USD)	FUNDS REQUIRED (CAD)
Purchase Price (land & building)	\$260,000	\$263,540
Total Renovation Costs	\$130,000	\$131,780
Equipment Costs	\$45,000	\$45,615
Total	\$435,000	\$440,935

Persons Responsible for the Project:

The staff of Hungry for Life, under the leadership of the Board of Directors, are responsible for the project.