

## Disability Aid for Ethiopia

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The CMCC school areas in Addis Ababa

Donations are tax deductible. Receipts will be issued for amounts above 50 € after the end of a calendar year. The Association for **Disabled Aid for Ethiopia** is committed that the money is only to be used for statutory purposes: »The ideal and financial Support for the **Center for Mentally challenged Children and Youth** in Addis Ababa in Ethiopia.«



CMCC staff in Addis Ababa

## Center for Mentally Challenged Children

Promotion of education and training in the center for children and youth with mentally challenged in Addis Ababa



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The **Center for Mentally Challenged Children (CMCC)** was founded in 1986 to provide education and training to children with intellectual disability and to meet the specific needs of each individual and to enable them to live a life that non disabled children live. The number of children is currently around 400.

Most children come from poor families, often the mothers are a single parent. There is no government support. The mothers are not able to work due to the care they have to give to the children. Due to the poor living conditions those children that rely on support are a major burden to the system in Addis Ababa. The **CMCC** tries to provide assistance in the following areas.

- Early intervention
- Pre-school
- Montessori
- Pre-vocational
- Vocational (life and work skill training)
- Saturday program
- Income-generating program
- Home based program



### The early intervention programme

Activities given in this programme are:

- Physio, occupational and speech therapy, particularly for children with cerebral palsy
- parent training
- provision of appliances
- provision of nutritional food and medical treatment
- Home based program for the grown up and for children with severe disability

### Pre-school

Pre-school was set up to train children with intellectual disability in age of 4–6. These children are encouraged to learn self-care like (dressing, toileting, feeding and grooming), communication, socialization, gross and fine motor skills and the like. This gives their mothers the opportunity to work while the children are in the center.

### Montessori classes

In these classes children are learning in the method of Montessori teaching.

### Pre-vocational classes

In these classes children are prepared to vocational classes. This programmes and our association with people with disabilities for Ethiopia is very close to our hearts, but unfortunately it is not yet financially covered.



### Vocational (life and work skill training)

There are only a few funding institutions for the youth with disabilities in the country. The **CMCC** offers three-years training with a maximum of 45 youths with disability to prepare them for life after school. Here they learn dyeing and printing, petty trading, food preparation, gardening, simple embroidery, sawing and gross motor activities to promote



their physical fitness. Their families are also involved to help them integrate into their environment. This happens through practical support after the completion of training. They also get support for starting small businesses, such as baking bread and injera and to open small shops. This is supported by the social work of the **CMCC**.

### We kindly ask for your support for:

The programmes that are important additions to the school programme, but they are not yet financially covered.

- There is lack of money in the early intervention programme for medication, food aid, physiotherapy tools, appliances and small loans for mothers.
- The preschool is completely financed through our association. But that's not enough to cover all the costs.

It would be great if you could sponsor a group!

- The program for vocational (practical life training) lacks funds for working material and tools in the **CMCC** and for the start up at home.
- Money is also lacking for the maintenance of buildings, vehicles and for hiring urgently needed teachers.



Thanks to the very committed staff, these children often find love and care for the first time in their lives. Parents who do not find help anywhere else find understanding and support here. With **CMCC** the children get free education, meal and transportation that meets their individual needs. The well-trained Ethiopian employees work closely together with parents. Their work helps the children integrate into home life.

**A sponsorship costs 15 € a month. We ask for payment on a monthly, semi-annually or annually basis to the association's sponsorship account.**

The sponsorship can be cancelled at any time.

Our association **Handicapped Aid for Ethiopia** acts as an intermediary. We inform the sponsors annually through news letters about the project.