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Below please find a list of the American Friends of Jamaica's 2006-2007 grantee organizations.

## EDUCATION

### The Everwild Foundation



**Mission:** The mission of the Everwild Foundation is to provide an opportunity for less fortunate children and young adults to be positive contributors to society. It aims to identify future leaders at an early stage and facilitate their growth and development to optimize their potential.

**Purpose of grant:** To establish a community resource center in Scotts Pass, Clarendon. The Ministry of Education and School Board approved center will be located on the premises of Scotts Pass Primary School. It will be built from donated shipping containers and will be fully equipped with a computer center providing internet access.

### Expanding Horizons

**Mission:** The mission of the Expanding Horizons initiative is to improve literacy and

numeracy in targeted primary schools in Jamaica.

**Purpose of Grant:** To provide Math Libraries for Grades 1-4 in 15 low performing primary schools.

### Jamaica Collaborative for Universal Technology Education (J-CUTE)

**Mission:** Jamaica Collaborative for Universal Technology Education's mission is to foster sustainable development and global competitiveness, through research, modeling, advocacy and knowledge sharing of ICT enabled best practices.

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant is to provide scholarships to 20 students. JCUTE aims to equip students islandwide with the requisite work-related ICT skill sets through partners that will drive and sustain technology-based initiatives in schools.

### National Gallery of Jamaica

**Mission:** The mission of the National Gallery is to collect, research, document and preserve Jamaican and other Caribbean Art and related material and to promote the island's artistic heritage for the benefit of present and future generations.

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant is to support a new program, 'Saturday Art Time'. Every Saturday afternoon the National Gallery will host a two hour art class for parents and their children (ages 5-10).

Families will be led through a range of art-making activities, including looking at art in the National collection. The diversity of the participant backgrounds will promote understanding and tolerance.

### National Golf Academy

**Mission:** The mission of the National Golf Academy is to foster and promote the development of golf in Jamaica to all sectors of society; particularly for young golfers whose parents do not have the financial means to help them learn the sport.

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant made possible by the Tiger Woods Foundation is to provide entry fees for the Caribbean Amateur Junior Golf Championships.

### St. Patrick's Foundation and the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford New York

**Purpose of Grant:** The First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford New York, will be conducting a Summer Sports Camp for the beneficiaries of St. Patrick's Foundation outreach in July 2007.

The 2007 Jamaican Advantage thru Sports for Youth (JASY) Camp will cater to approximately sixty youths, age eight to twelve years old.

## St. Thomas Aquinas Church

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant is to support the church's education fund.

## Tennis Jamaica

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant is to support Tennis programs in the parish of Hanover. It is made possible by the altruism of AFJ Board Member Manuela and Jimmy Goren, Alfred Angelone and Phillip and Christine Gore.

## University of the West Indies

**Purpose of Grant:** Three bursaries to support University of the West Indies students. Made possible by Amb. J. Gary Cooper Bursary, Amb. Glen Holden and Ralph and Ricky Lauren.

The fourth grant supports the American Friends of Jamaica / Cobb Family Lecture Series funded by Ambs. Sue and Chuck Cobb.

## Friends of Hopewell School

**Mission:** The mission of the Friends of Hopewell organization is to contribute to the educational growth and development of children, the upgrading of Primary & Junior High Schools, sustainable community development and the promotion of environmentally best practices.

**Purpose of Grant:** To support Remedial Reading Program



Friends of Hopewell

operational in 2 schools: Bethel and Success Primary and Junior High Schools. It also supports a reading competition and book report sessions held over the summer holidays.

## Hanover Charities

**Purpose of Grant:** To assist several charities, needy individuals and organisations including a number of basic schools, private and public agencies and a wide range of programmes geared towards enhancing the parish of Hanover's development.

## Operation Restoration, Trenchtown School

**Purpose of Grant:** To educate, nurture, mobilise and empower inner-city Jamaican youths of low social and economic status to become productive, law-abiding citizens.

## HEALTH

### The Foundation for International Self-Help Development (F.I.S.H.)

**Mission:** To enhance the health of the nation by providing quality, affordable, preventative and curative healthcare to individuals in need through multi-disciplinary team of health workers and volunteers.

**Purpose of Grant:** To support the Patients Aid Fund to cover the cost to see the Eye Specialist, Optometrist or Ophthalmologist, medication, glasses. This supports patients who cannot afford the fees.

This grant was made in honor of Dr. Wilfred Gooden our beloved Board member whom we lost earlier this year. Dr. Gooden served on the Board of FISH as well as many other organizations and is sadly missed.

## Garland Hall Children's Home

**Mission:** This grant is to support the home's general operating expenses.

This grant is made possible by Mrs. Marjorie Lynch Fletcher.

## Jamaica Association for Mental Retardation

**Mission:** This organization was founded for the education, advocacy and research to improve the quality of life for children and adults with mental retardation and their families.

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant is to support the organization's general operating expenses.

## Maxfield Park Children's Home

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant is to support the home's general operating expenses.

## Mobay Hope Medical Centre

**Mission:** This grant is to support the purchase of a number of pieces of hospital equipment needed by MoBay Hope. This grant is made possible by Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Engel and Friends of MoBay Hope.



## The Mona Rehabilitation Foundation and Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre

**Mission:** Mona Rehab is committed to the rehabilitation of persons with physical disabilities and their reintegration into society.

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant is to purchase a Crank Adjustable Parallel Bars for the Physiotherapy Department to teach persons with prosthesis to walk again.

## Rotary Club of Port Antonio

**Mission:** The objective of the Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of club service, vocational service, community service and international services.

**Purpose of Grant:** To support the construction and first year operation of a homeless shelter in Port Antonio. This project involves the adaptation of 2 previously donated freight containers into a shelter for homeless people.

The persons who sleep and lie in filth and malnutrition on the streets of Port Antonio are a tragic reminder of the awful gap in our social service systems.

The containers will be elevated off ground and placed on concrete bases, doors added, window and fans, toilets, shower and sinks installed as well as the covering of the container with a tin roof.

## Jamaica Children's Heart Fund

**Mission:** To facilitate and address the urgency reflected in the increasing rather than decreasing list of infants and children with congenital heart disease in Jamaica in need of surgery. JCHF provides free pediatric open heart surgery to save the lives of these children.

**Purpose of Grant:** To support an open heart surgical mission for 10-20 indigent children.

## HUMAN AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## Jamaica Society for the Blind



**Mission:** Jamaica Society for the Blind will function as the primary advocacy group for the blind. It will ensure the provision of services and access to resources, which will enable the inclusion of blind and visually impaired persons into the social, economic and political fabric of society. It will build national awareness of the importance of care of sight.

**Purpose of Grant:** To support the 'Work Opportunities



through Work Experience' project. The project aims to assist 20 persons who are blind and visually impaired to obtain work experience. These individuals will be supported and monitored by JSB and provided a stipend, appropriate adaptive aids, counseling and additional training.

### Andrew Settlement

**Mission:** St. Andrew Settlement's goal is to aid in the development of the Majesty Gardens community through spiritual and social activities, education, skills training, medical care and environment awareness.

**Purpose of Grant:** This grant is to refurbish and upgrade the Community Dental Clinic (CDC). Reopening the CDC will result in increasing ac-

cess to care for members of the community.

### The Oracabessa Foundation



This grant is to support the Foundation's general operating expenses. This grant is made possible by the generosity of Jimmy and Jane Buffett, Amb. Sue Cobb, Amb. Glen Holden and the Law Family.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to all our grantees for the work they are doing in leading these innovative, results driven programs.

Special thanks to the AFJ community. We would not be able to support these organizations without your participation:

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- AFJ Gala attendees
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