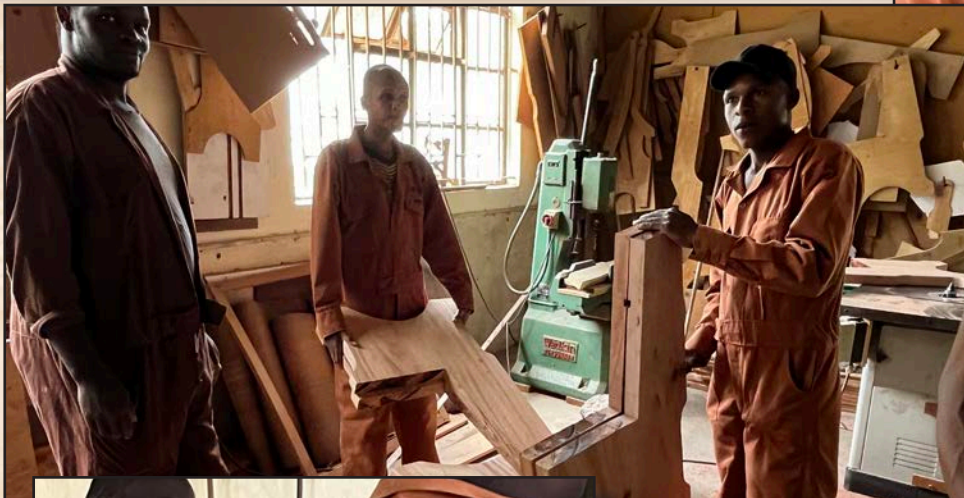


PROPOSAL

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DePaul Woodworking

Nairobi, Kenya

Transforming Lives Through
Life-Changing Skills Since 2002

THE PROGRAM

DePaul Woodworking was started in 2002 by Br. Jim Donlevy, C.M., to train young Kenyan men and women from poor and disadvantaged backgrounds in sought-after woodworking skills and provide a pathway to meaningful and rewarding employment. The workshop produces furniture and other items for a variety of customers in the region.

The training is a two-year program that concludes with a trade test conducted by the government. This certification opens up employment opportunities for the graduates. The program has graduated hundreds of young people. Twelve members of the current class of 24 students graduated this fall, and approximately 50 applications have been submitted to fill those 12 spots. Capacity is limited by the size of the facility.

THE CURRENT NEED IS TO EXPAND THE FACILITY

The students require classroom spaces to conduct their practical exercises, but in the current facility teaching is done in the same increasingly cramped space with the production workers, which is unsafe and not conducive for learning. The students and woodworkers do not have a dining area and generally take their meals while seated outside on the lawn.

THE PROPOSAL

In addition to real-time benefits and practical knowledge, students need isolated spaces for learning. We propose constructing a new building that will address this, as well as other needs of the program, allowing for more students to enroll and benefit from the training.

The new facility would include

- Four classrooms, where students can receive instruction away from the production facility
- Office space, a common area, and restrooms
- A dining hall
- Dormitories with separate spaces for women and men to address increasingly difficult urban housing issues for impoverished students

**THESE IMPROVEMENTS WILL MORE THAN DOUBLE
THE CURRENT ENROLLMENT CAPACITY TO 50-60 STUDENTS**

PROJECT COSTS

Site preparation and all construction and finishing work total **approximately \$250,000** (see page 4 for cost breakdown).

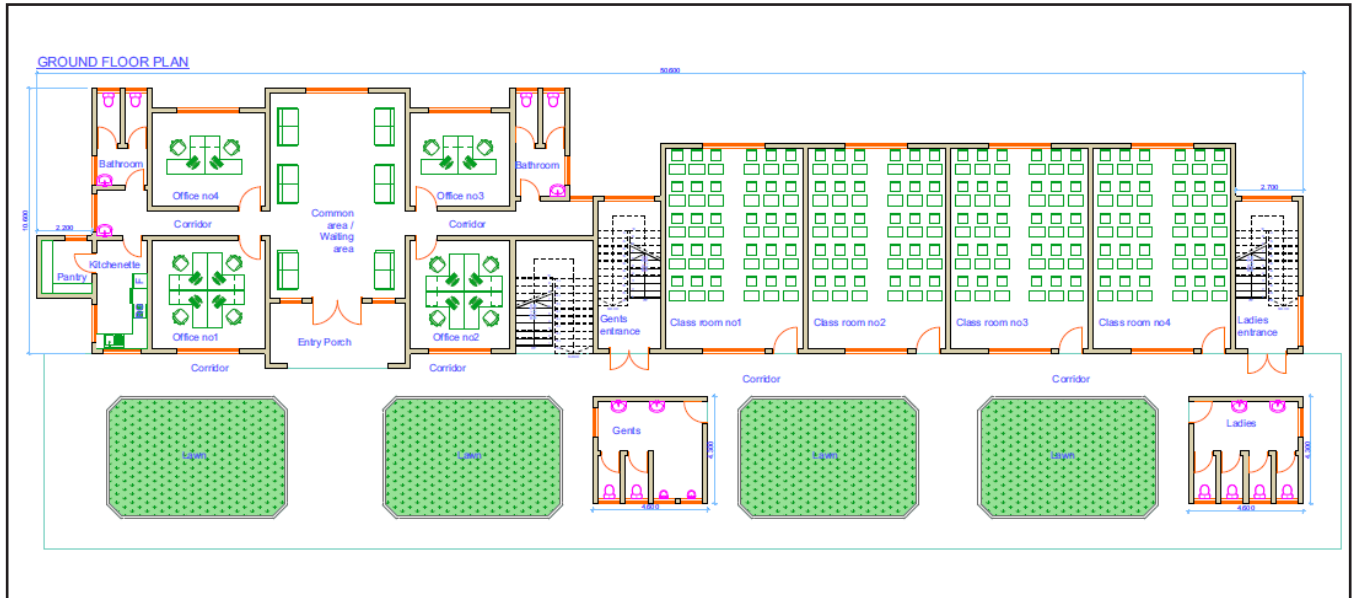
AVAILABLE MARKETING ASSETS

- Photos of DePaul Woodworking students in the workshop setting
- Floor plans of new facility
- Various 3D renderings of building exterior
- A detailed list of construction costs
- Video of a former student and the current workshop manager, which could be augmented with an intro and graphics from TGM (**see QR code below**)
- Additional images and video, on request from the Vice-Province

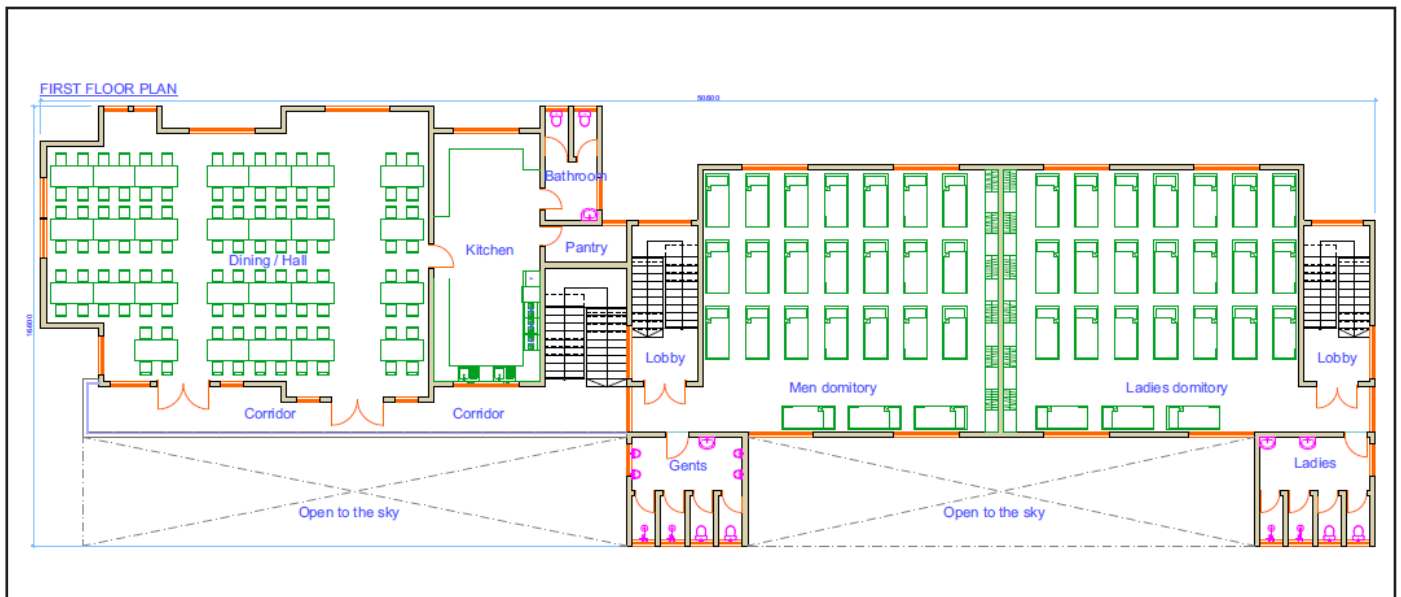


Your support of the DePaul Woodworking program
will dramatically affect the future of these students
and their families.
Please be generous.





FIRST FLOOR



SECOND FLOOR

PROJECT COSTS

Excavation and Site Preparation	\$11,538
Building Materials and Construction	\$206,761
Electrical Work.....	\$6,738
Furnishings, Signage, and Project Administration.....	\$23,460
TOTAL.....	\$248,497

