

PROJECT EVALUATION REPORT

Fall 2018

"A Second Chance" founded by Joelle Powe



South Camp Juvenile Remand and Correctional Center
Kingston, Jamaica

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Introducing A Second Chance



"A Second Chance", my 2018 GoMAD project, aims to enhance the existing rehabilitation facilities at South Camp Juvenile Remand & Correctional Center in Kingston, Jamaica. South Camp Juvenile Remand & Correctional Center is a residential centre for young ladies aged 12 to 18 who have received a Correctional Order from the court. They are expected to live at the institution until their stipulated time is up. Young ladies serving time at South Camp have the opportunity to write exams and engage in various skill-building programs such as home economics.

Before moving to a new location in 2013, South Camp had a sewing program running. However, they were provided with neither the equipment nor the space to continue the program at their new facility. On an investigation to find out the needs of South Camp, facilitated by the Director of Medical Services, Dr Powe and the Superintendent, Superintendent White, I learnt that South Camp aspired to revive the sewing program, and as such, a sewing machine would be a suitable contribution to the institution. Thus, "A Second Chance" captures the event of donating a sewing machine to South Camp with GoMAD funding, in the hope that the young ladies will benefit from more rehabilitation programs at the institution, thus better equipping them to re-enter society as productive, independent individuals. This project wishes to grant the young ladies "A Second Chance" at a fruitful life.

Profile of the Beneficiaries

MEET THE VIBRANT YOUNG LADIES OF SOUTH CAMP



Age: 12 to 18 Gender: Female Nationality: Jamaican Class Size: 4 to 5

The brilliant young ladies of South Camp are there to learn and engage in activities that prepare them for the future to perform well in society as well as correct past ill-behaviours. As South Camp is a Correctional Institution, photos and names of the young ladies are not allowed to be featured in this evaluation document. Photos were taken with permission of the young ladies and minimal profile is featured of each young lady.

Vision

"A Second Chance" strives to create a long-living, inspiring environment in South Camp Juvenile Remand & Correctional Center's Sewing Room. This little blue room that houses two sewing machines is to be a space where wardens and juveniles build a closer bond, as juveniles work sincerely at learning a skill and wardens offer their expertise with tender guidance. "A Second Chance" dreams that these young ladies would acquire a talent worth developing in the future to make an earnest living. Lastly, sewing classes are to be fun, exciting and creatively engaging for years to come and eventually, accessible to all the young ladies enrolled in the institution.



objectives

- Enhance the existing rehabilitation facilities at South Camp
- Renew the South Camp Juvenile Remand and Correctional Center Sewing Program
- Donate a sewing machine, sewing tools, and materials such as stitching scissors, needles, patterned fabrics and buttons
- Create a space that facilitates developing creativity, building practical skills, and releasing stress
- Improve the relationship between wardens and young ladies
- Equip the young ladies with a skill they can use to make a living in the future



Support from South Camp



MISS JONAS

SEWING INSTRUCTOR AND WARDEN



MAULETTE WHITE

SUPERINTENDENT



INA HUNTER

COMMISSIONER OF CORRECTIONS

Miss Jonas has humbly offered her sewing expertise. She is an excellent teacher and has taught the young ladies a commendable quality of skill in a short period of time. Whenever I visited, she encouraged me to learn to sew. She guided her students so well, that I found that they channeled her calm reassuring spirit as they shared their skills with me.

Supt White worked closely with me to ensure that I purchased the correct sewing machine. She allowed me to visit the institution at my leisure and provided great cooperation for the duration of this project. Her feedback was very helpful in writing this report. I owe her many thanks for facilitating me at South Camp.

Commissioner Hunter opened the Handing Over Ceremony with a touching speech and gracious thanks to "A Second Chance" and GoMad funding.

Our team



JOELLE POWE

"A SECOND CHANCE"
FOUNDER

I am a Jamaican International Student who recently graduated from United World College Maastricht in 2017. UWC instilled a lifelong commitment in me to find ways to have an impact on my community.



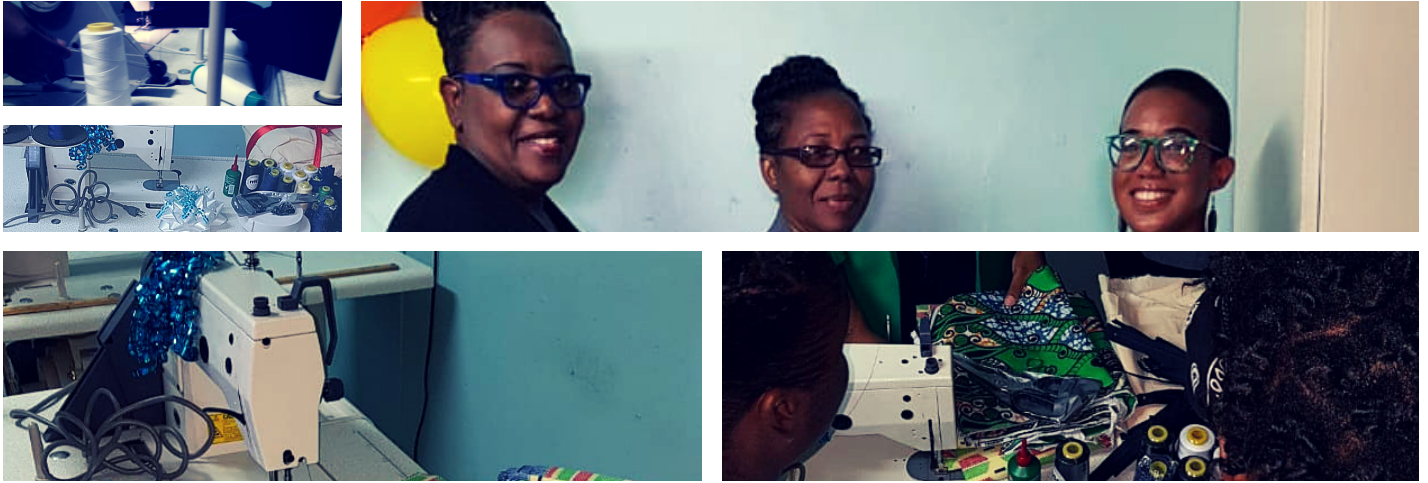
**DIRECTOR OF
MEDICAL SERVICES,
DR. POWE**

"A SECOND CHANCE"
FELLOW

My mom is the Director of the Medical Services for Jamaica's Correctional Services. She played an instrumental role in this project as the preliminary point of contact for Superintendent White and me. She transported me to and from sewing machine stores, fabric stores and South Camp.

Project Activities

Handing Over Ceremony



For the grand opening of the project, South Camp hosted a Handing Over Ceremony on May 10, 2018. The machine was presented to the young ladies, and several of us, juveniles, the Superintendent, the Commissioner, wardens and my mother, hovered outside of the Sewing Room to share and listen to festive speeches. The Director of Communications snapped photos and noted that we were at a "family gathering".

In my speech, I explained how UWC mission's "to make education a force to unite people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future." persuaded me to believe in the undeniable potential of young people to make strong contributions to society, and how this meant that I believed very much in a bright future for the young ladies, despite their past mistakes. A young lady of South Camp shared her gratitude and excitement for the sewing classes to begin. She also acknowledged that she hopes other young ladies will be inspired by my consideration of others and thus remember to give back to their communities in the same light. Miss Ina Hunter, the Commissioner of the Correctional services delivered a powerful speech to the young ladies about making use of the rehabilitation opportunity. Superintendent Maulette White shared a moving vote of thanks.

Sewing Classes



Sewing classes take place at South Camp every Friday from 10 AM to 12 PM. Miss Jonas gives individualised lessons to between 3 and 4 young ladies.

Class time Activities include:

- Cutting the fabric for school uniforms
- Sewing hooks onto school uniforms
- Sewing bed sheets
- Embroidery sewing



Analysis of Satisfaction: Success Indicators

- ☒ **Growth and Independence**
Young ladies mindfully tend to their sewing task without the assistance of Miss Jonas.
- ☒ **Ability to Share the skill**
One young lady had the patience and mastery of skill to teach me how to sew.
- ☒ **Exciting Classes**
Young ladies were consistent in their class attendance. and a new face joined the program.
- ☒ **A Resilient Program**
Sewing classes continued despite one of the two sewing machines was down.
- ☒ **Sustainable Impact**
Sewing classes continued when I was not able to make a visit.
- ☒ **Productivity**
Young ladies and Miss Jonas were able to sew uniform skirts and sheets for 52 young ladies enrolled at South Camp.

Impact of the program on the participants




Short Term Impact

- Young ladies accomplish sewing sheets and school uniforms for all their peers in the summer
- Young ladies learn a commendable level of sewing skill
- Young ladies participate in another weekly calming rehabilitation activity
- Young ladies have a closer bond with Miss Jonas

Long Term Impact

- South Camp has two sewing machines to facilitate teaching sewing to any juveniles enrolled at the institution for years to come
- Young ladies who participate in sewing classes can rely on their sewing skills to make a living in the future



"I feel like I have accomplished something!"

"The industrial machine can do many things. They need to sew sheets and uniforms for 52 girls."
Miss Jonas

"It helps me to keep my mind focused and away from negative thoughts. I learned all the names of the parts of the machine. If I don't know what to do in the future I can always start with sewing."

"I didn't have an interest in anything here but the officers encouraged me to try new things"

Team evaluation

While I hoped for a larger sewing class, the program has chosen to make sewing classes accessible for young ladies who will be at South Camp for 6 months or more only. However, after some reflection, I have realized that the young ladies benefit from individualised attention, so the small classes are an advantage. Moreover, the sewing room is small, there are only two machines and there is only one Miss Jonas.

I wish I could support the sewing program with repair and maintenance. When the needle got stuck in the new donated machine, the machine was out of service for several weeks because repairs were not covered in the purchase. I did not foresee the possibility of the machine malfunctioning. Perhaps preparing a portion of the budget for future issues with the machine would have been helpful.

I was not consistent in my weekly visits to South Camp. The disadvantage of this is that I didn't bond with the young ladies as much as I would have liked to. However, visiting less frequently allowed me to see major improvements in the young ladies' skill and work ethic. It also encouraged the program to run on its own. Now, as I have left for college I know that the sewing program will run without my presence.



Improvements & Future plans



If I could change anything I would have asked about warranties and damage and repair coverage before buying the sewing machine.

It would be even better if the sewing classes expanded. A bigger room, more instructors and more sewing machines to facilitate more than 4 students at a time would be an excellent improvement to the program.

If South Camp allowed the young ladies to engage more creatively in the sewing classes by sewing cushions and casual dresses, not just uniforms, young ladies could sell their items. They could use this money to support the costs of the sewing program.

Conclusion

Overall the project was successful but on a smaller scale than I imagined. I would have hoped that 20 young ladies would have been involved, but with the size of the sewing room and the availability of the machines, it probably was best for the young ladies who actually got to learn. I hope the start of the program will inspire South Camp or external funding programs to invest in the expansion of the sewing program.

The Sewing machine was an excellent move. The girls enjoy hands on activities more than theoretical."

Supt White



A Second Chance Financial Report by Joelle Powe

Item	Cost in Jammaican Dollars	Total Cost in Jamaican Dollars	Purpose
Curly Bow	\$215.00		These items were used to enhance the presentation of the sewing machine and supplies during the "Handing Over" ceremony at South Camp.
Confetti Bow	\$430.00		
Curly Bow	\$215.00		
Gift Bag	\$128.00		
Colour Tissue Paper	\$238.00		
Tax	\$202.29		
		\$1,428.29	
Zig Zag Sewing Machie	\$64,530.00		Jamsew Machines and Sales Ltd provided the sewing machine and the supplies which South Camp Requested. The oil will be used to lubricate the machine. Needles of various sizes were purchased for diverse stitching purposes. Coloured threads and zippers will be used for dressmaking and stiching uniforms. A lamp was bought for the machine.
Motor	\$13,500.00		
Scissors	\$542.00		
Sewing Thread	\$510.00		
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Lamp for machine	\$2,531.00		
Zipper	\$129.96		
Machine Oil	\$271.00		
Oil for Machine	\$600.00		
Needle	\$450.00		
Needle	\$450.00		
Needle	\$450.00		
Tax	\$13,938.20		
		\$98,412.16	
Ping's Fabrics			These Item's from Ping's fabric were mostly on the list of requests from South Camp. The Afrocentric cotton fabric and calico were additional donations from the leftover money. These materials will be used by the inmates to sew their uniforms and casual dresses for days out.
Afro Cotton	\$6,000.00		
Calico Yard	\$3,600.00		
Zip Nylon 8"	\$480.00		
Zip Nylon 8"	\$660.00		
Button School Small	\$199.68		
Embroidery Scissors	\$720.00		
Polyester Thread	\$780.00		
Elastic	\$3,960.00		
Polyester Thread	\$220.00		
Polyester Thread	\$220.00		
Ribbon Satin	\$75.00		
Button School Small	\$74.88		
Tax		\$16,989.56	
Sewing Machine Transport	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	Jamsew company charged 1500 for delivery of the sewing machine to South Camp Correctional Center.
Total	\$118,330.01	\$118,330.01	
Conversion Rate	1 Jamaican Dollar is 0.0080 US Dollars		
In USD	\$946.64		
Total money from GoMAD	\$958.00		