



PROPOSAL

THE BIG LEAP PROJECT

Acts 3:8 "With a leap he stood upright and began to walk; and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God."



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

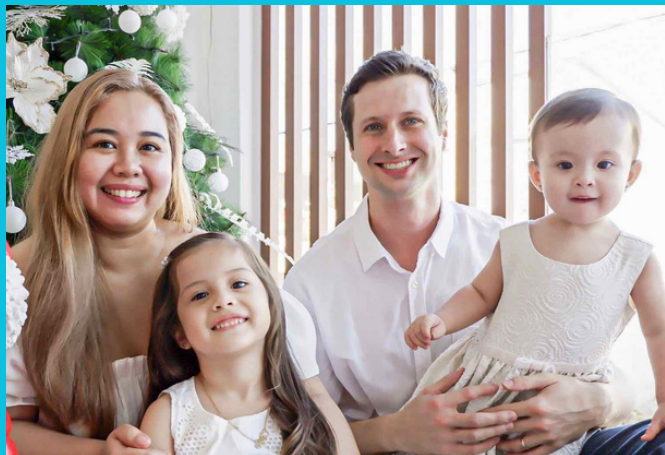
Greetings to our dear friends and supporters,

Thank you for taking the time to read this proposal. On behalf of the staff, students, and communities of IT Tender, we are grateful for your interest in this project that will benefit generations to come.

My greatest joy has been to witness first-hand the transformation of lives at IT Tender by God's amazing grace. The support of generous donors and the work of my incredible team helps facilitate this life change in which graduates of our programs overcome generational poverty. The number of students and families that IT Tender serves continues to grow each year. Due to this continued growth, we need a larger center to accommodate the programs and services we provide for them.

IT Tender is ready to take the next step (or leap) to acquire a building that can be used as a preschool, a tutorial center, a dance/music/fitness studio, a sustainable garden, and ultimately a safe place where relationships are built, students from poverty are empowered, and our community is strengthened.

- John Coffey, Director of IT Tender



The Coffey Family



ABOUT US

IT Tender is a licensed and registered non-government, non-profit, Christian organization in the Philippines. It is committed to long-term, community development in areas identified by extreme poverty. The ministry's vision incorporates educational programs and holistic services to accommodate the marginalized and disadvantaged children and their families.

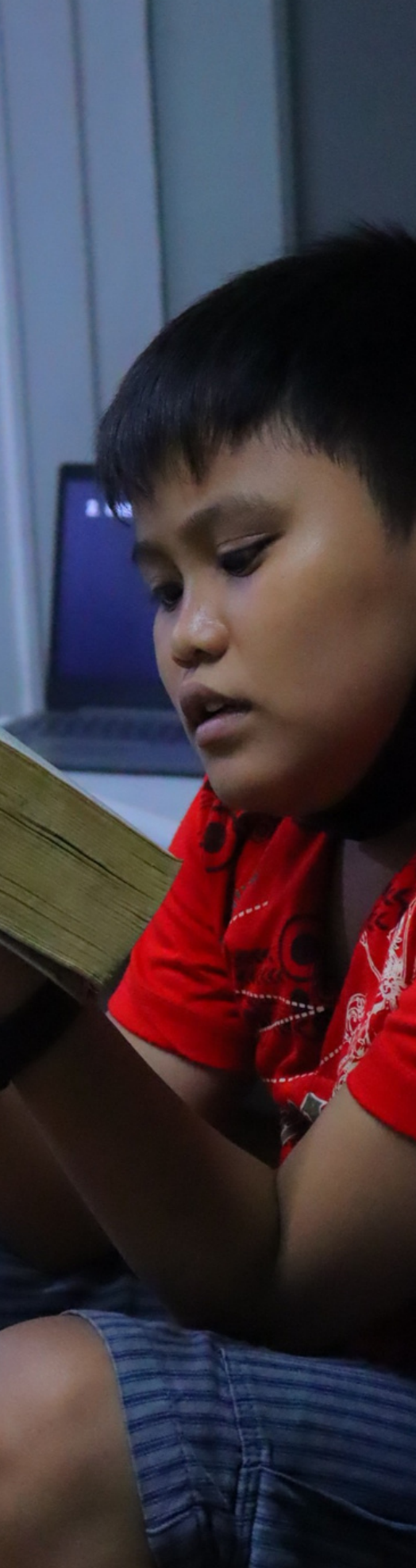
VISION

To empower children to become educated and responsible leaders in their community.

MISSION

To provide opportunities for quality education, mentoring, and leadership development that transform at-risk children into agents of change.





WHAT WE DO?

SCOPE OF SERVICES

With the hope that the lives of many children and youth will change, our programs were created to find solutions to their urgent needs and to concentrate on: faith and love for the hopeless; food and nutrition for malnourished children; education and educational assistance for disadvantaged children and youth; life-skills training and other awareness raising for those in need of opportunities. IT Tender operates its programs to ensure that the needs of our local communities are being met accordingly and that long-term relationships are being developed and strengthened.



"Simula" ("Beginnings") Daycare Center (SDC)

SDC is the licensed preschool program of IT Tender. It also serves as an entry program from which most of the pupils are recommended into our other programs.



Sponsor-A-Child-Now (SACN) Educational Assistance Program

SACN is the flagship program of IT Tender. We partner with parents/guardians and donors to help disadvantaged children reach their dreams in life through quality education.



Muntinlupa Dream Center (MDC)

MDC is a Youth Development Program responding to the needs of the youth and young adults for education reinforcement.



From the Streets to Greater Heights

IT Tender has been formally serving the disadvantaged children in Metro Manila since 2008. An old, dilapidated apartment located on the busy streets of Alabang, Muntinlupa City was transformed into a drop-in center which has offered a safe place filled with warmth and the love of Christ to street children. As the years passed by, the needs and situations of the children began to change, and better methods of helping and empowering the community were implemented. The supplementary programs and tutorials for out-of-school youth conducted during that time were developed into more timely and progressive educational programs that IT Tender continues to offer children today.

Two things stand out from IT Tender's ministries throughout the years: God's amazing faithfulness, and continuous growth. In the beginning, IT Tender was born out of the desire to bring light to street children. Soon, the ministry learned that the root of many problems stem from within slum communities. Careful observations and assessments led to the formation of our community-based programs such as educational assistance (child sponsorship) and early childhood education.

Just as a plant needs to be replanted into a bigger pot, IT Tender needs a bigger space for our programs and clientele to continue to grow. We are grateful for the 16 years that our current center has functioned as a venue for countless services, sessions, events, and God's miracles, but we believe that we have outgrown it and require a bigger space for the children of our communities to reach greater heights.



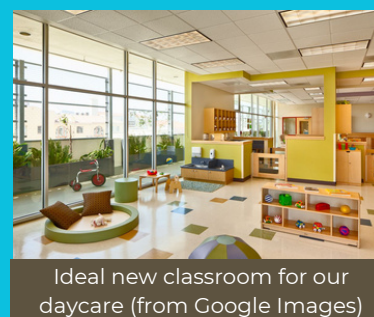
Photo documentation of street children taken by ER in the streets of Alabang (2013)



Nightlife Street Children Ministry (2009)



Simula (Beginnings) Daycare Center (June, 2023)



Ideal new classroom for our daycare (from Google Images)

TAKING A BIG LEAP

By God's grace, IT Tender is ready to take a big leap in acquiring the 120 sq. m lot and 3-story building of our partners at Extreme Response (ER) located in Soldier Hills, Putatan, Muntinlupa. This location is just a few minutes drive from the current address of IT Tender. We are offering 8,000,000.00 PHP or \$194,560.00* CAD to ER. 60% of the total payment is to be paid in the first year of the contract while the remaining 40% will be divided throughout the succeeding 3 years.

*Based on the July 17th, 2023 Exchange Currency Rate



Latest photo of the property of Extreme Response in Putatan, Muntinlupa City, Philippines

Current Facilities of IT Tender



S-Fitness Session held in the same area as our Daycare and Dream Center sessions during the day.



Dream Center sessions where students are using the chairs and tables of daycare pupils.



Parent's meetings where we have to extend into the garage to accommodate 50 plus people.

Current Condition of the Proposed Property



Latest photo of the covered balcony to be renovated into a soundproof studio for music and dance.

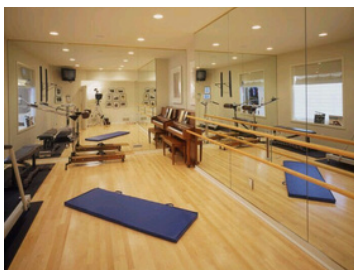


Latest photo of one of the rooms that would become the computer laboratory of the Dream Center.



Latest photo of the rooftop that will be converted into an events space with a cover overhead.

Visualized Ideas for the Property



Suggested ideal dance, music and fitness studio for the children and youth.



Suggested ideal computer laboratory and library for the Dream Center.



Envisioned spacious and open-air Session Hall where we can hold a large number of people.

Furthermore, IT Tender will shoulder the taxes and other processing fees needed for the acquisition. Aside from that, the ministry will also fundraise for the repairs and renovation of the building in order to achieve the ideal set-up according to the needs of our different programs and services which will cost approximately Php 5,000,000.00 or CAD \$121,600.00*.

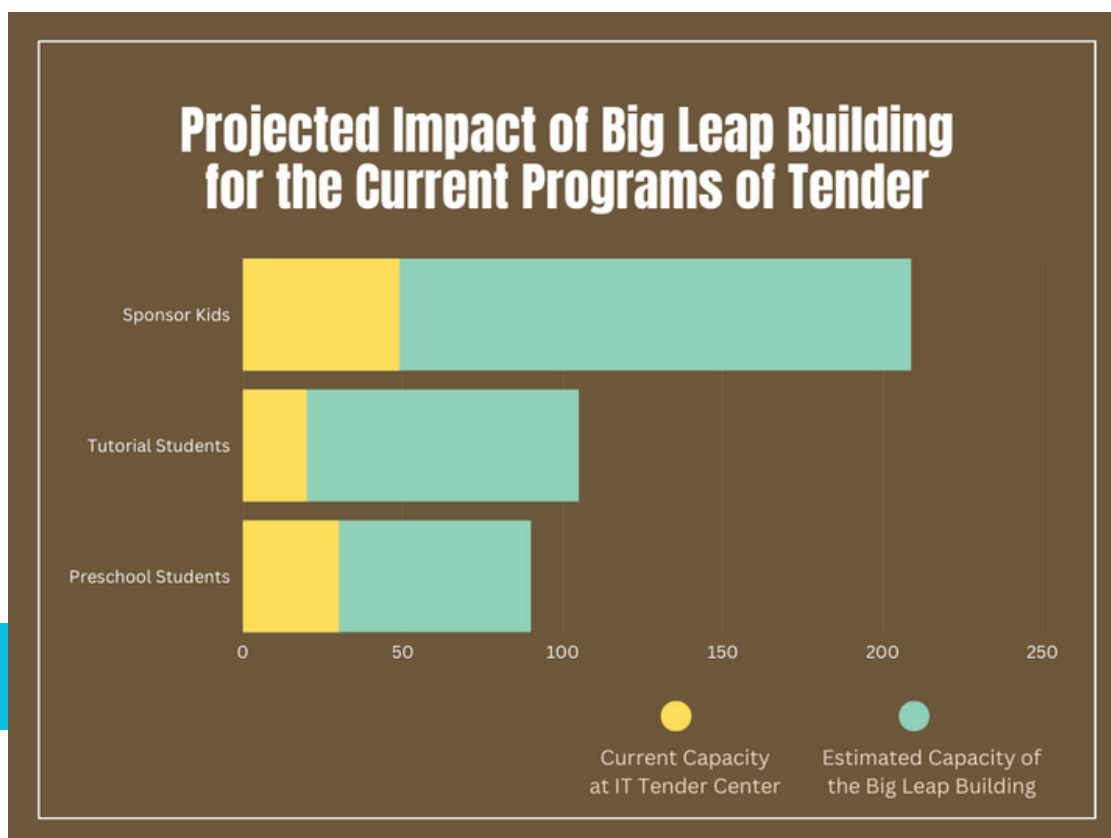
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TO EMPOWER THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN, THIS IS THE NEED

IT Tender provides a combination of center-based and community-based programs. Some activities are held within the slum communities, but most of our services are offered within the safe space of our center. IT Tender handles the challenge of having a small space through creative ways. However, it has become one of the biggest limitations for the organization (e.g., fewer pupils for our daycare; dividing after-school tutorials into smaller groups on different days). In order to reach thousands of disadvantaged children, we need a wider net. Or in this case, a bigger center.

Like a fortress, a new building shows IT Tender's readiness to accomplish greater feats. This move would symbolize our ability to take on the new challenges our children are facing. Acquiring our own property will make us more effective and more sustainable in the long run. From 22 pupils, the Daycare Program will expand to develop the young minds of 60 pupils. From one cramped office of 10 staff, we could have a bigger office space and a faculty room for the teachers. With a new Dream Fitness studio, our music therapy and fitness sessions will have a space where equipment can remain set up at all times. We will also offer free ballet classes for urban poor children. A session hall will provide a comfortable space for meetings with parents and a space for trainings. The new building will help IT Tender attain a higher level of accreditation from the government allowing us to sponsor the schooling of more students..



Project Proposal

Title of the Project: **The Big Leap Project**
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Period Covered : **2024-2027**

Summary of the Proposed Budget:

Land and Building	PHP 8,000,000.00	CAD \$194,560.00
Taxes & Processing	PHP 650,000.00	CAD \$15,808.00
Renovations	PHP 5,000,000.00	CAD \$121,600.00
Van	PHP 956,000.00	CAD \$23,249.92
Fixtures, Equipment, etc.	PHP 544,000.00	CAD \$13,230.08
Contingency	PHP 3,768,150.00	CAD \$91,641.42

Total Estimated Project Cost : **PHP 18,918,150.00** **CAD \$460,089.41**

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