



SUDAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

Breaking the cycle of poverty through community based development



SUDEF Newsletter

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Sudan Development Foundation's New Office

SUDEF has a new office at 139 Elmwood Avenue in Burlington, Vermont. Come in and see us and find out how you can get involved in some of our upcoming projects.

SUDEF has had a busy spring. Our clinic in Kathok has finished its renovations with new paint and plastering. The clinic recently received a new shipment of medications. The clinic has treated over 25,000 people during a two year period. A great start.

Some of SUDEF's milestones this past year were:

- Incorporated in Vermont March 2009
- Incorporated in Southern Sudan January 2010
- Obtained IRS 501(c)3 Status March 2010
- Completed Web-site, Facebook Page - Blog
- Assessed current needs in Minkammann, South Sudan - found site for Kalthok Community Resource and Training Center
- Established government and non-government support
- Acquired office space in Burlington, Vermont



Gakeer Achiek has joined the SUDEF team. He arrived back from an 8 month trip to Southern Sudan and is currently working on research and grants for us.

Abraham has been busy on a speaking tour for SUDEF. He has spoken at schools in New Jersey, at

a retirement home in Shelburne, VT and at several religious institutions and community groups. In April, Bishop Tom Ely of the Episcopal Diocese of Burlington, Vermont, along with his wife Ann, graciously hosted a dinner for SUDEF at their home. Over 35 people attended this wonderful evening. We would like to thank Bishop Tom and Ann and all those who came for a wonderful evening.

Some of our goals for 2010 are to begin Phase I of the Community Resource and Training Center in Minkammann, Southern Sudan - we estimate needing



\$75,000 to complete this phase which would include the building of the community meeting space and a classroom. We also have as one of our 2010 goals, a

borehole to provide clean water, a computer lab and internet service and the hiring of a manager for the Community Center.

We have been donated over 20 laptops and have acquired Microsoft Office for 10 of these computers through generous donations. We have also just completed interviews for our summer internships and are looking forward to beginning work with this exciting new team this summer. We will provide

SUDEF to premiere documentary “REBUILDING HOPE” in Vermont

Sudan Development Foundation is honored to be able to premiere the riveting and critically acclaimed documentary REBUILDING HOPE this summer at The Essex Cinemas in Essex, Vermont. All proceeds



from ticket sales will go to benefit SUDEF.

REBUILDING HOPE is a moving documentary portrait of loss, reunion and courage. This film is a tribute to the spirit and perseverance of the Sudanese people.

REBUILDING HOPE has been shown throughout the

world in cities such as Paris, Chicago, London, Boston, Providence and at Film Festivals in Zimbabwe, India, North Dakota and South Africa.

Look for more information soon on the date and time for the premiere of this significant documentary and we look forward to seeing you there.

We are now booking the summer/fall speaking engagements or showing of the REBUILDING HOPE documentary. If you know of a school, university/college, community group or religious organization that is interested in having Abraham Awolich come and speak or wants us to show the film please contact us.

We want to hear from you. You can reach us at: info@sudef.org or follow us on FACEBOOK at Sudan Development Foundation - (802)264-4887 www.sudef.org

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