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Project overview BTFS in Liberia, West Africa

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1. School Project Immanuel Christian Academy (ICA) SD Cooper Road, Paynesville

- Water supply / health hygiene / sustainable waste water disposal
- Close involvement of the six surrounding communities and the National Police
- Supported by ROTARY Clubs from Switzerland and Monrovia
- Accompanied by a construction specialist from BUTTI AG, Pfäffikon (www.butti.ch) and administered by our competent management team Liberia
- Based on a binding agreement (MoU BTFS & ICA) to regulate the responsibilities and timely implementation of the defined construction work (Launch end of April 2018 with well drilling, water tower, Septictank excavation, new toilet facility)

2. Liberia National Police / Mobilizing the Population / Effective Community Policing

- Strengthening the sense of community-togetherness in problem solving, through Liberia National Police and BTFS prevention campaigns to promote security and protection against sexual abuse of women and girls
- Trust building process between the poor population and the police, among others also for the sustainable promotion of education in an environment that is largely free of crime (as our ICA school project).
- Effective and measurable promotion of community engagements, including the so-called "Motorcyclists¹" and their leaders, as well as women and youth organizations

3. E-Learning Class-Teaching / Internet based Distance Learning

- **Free offer** of the German lecturer, Dr. med. Burkhard Luber. He is an award-winning peace researcher and expert in dealing with conflict resolution and reconciliation measures in a former war zone (<http://burkhard-luber-teaching.blogspot.de/> / <http://www.dasmili.eu/autoren/dr-burkhard-luber/>)
- Pilot class with 15 participants consisting of BTFS Staff, ICA School and Church, as well as two Officers of the Liberia National Police
- 12 monthly learning modules starting from April 2018. Learning objectives are: conflict management, de-escalation, dialogue / communication (80% illiteracy), project management to contribute to sustainable peacebuilding and stability in the reconstruction process in Liberia
- The distance learning course usually takes place at our BTFS Office in the SD Cooper Road Community and is mentored locally by a Pastor of the Immanuel Church (with a Master in Education) as well as by our Administration BTFS Management Team

¹ Motorcyclists "have a reputation for being criminal and violent. They seek social acceptance as well as the way back into a constitutional society