

Public preschool of Calavi-Center
District of Calavi-Center
Community of Abomey-Calavi
Republic of Benin

The public preschool of Calavi-Center is located in the district of Abomey-Calavi-Center , I.e. in the middle of the city. The municipality of Abomey-Calavi is located in the department of Atlantique in southern Benin. The administrative district of Abomey-Calavi-Center has approximately 150,000 inhabitants. About 5,000 inhabitants live in the center of Calavi, including about 2,000 children and adolescents. The population feeds on small craft and trade. Some people commute to the city of Cotonou to earn a living there.

The public preschool of Calavi-Center is housed in classrooms of the Calavi Center elementary school. It was founded on another location in 1980. In 2005, there was a dispute over the land where of the school had been implanted. The city was sued in court and the plaintiff was found to be right. The preschool was forced to move and has been housed within the primary school ever since. In the past few years, the need for kindergarten places has increased enormously, since many parents are employed. 59 children (32 boys and 27 girls) are cared for in the “little ones” class, 68 children (40 boys and 28 girls) are in the “big kids” group. The primary school is in need of its classrooms, but would provide a portion of its school premises for the preschool. There is enough space to build a building with three classrooms, an office and a storage room. The preschool is to be fenced in order to separate it from normal school operations. The playground equipment can be set up in this courtyard.

To improve the learning conditions for the children of this preschool, we propose to construct:

- one building made of solid material holding 3 classrooms, one office and one storage room.

The three group rooms are equipped with closets and one play house each. Murals are painted. The office is equipped with a closet for teaching materials and the storage room with shelves for storing toys.

Cost: 42,000 €

- one toilet annex with 4 cabins

Cost: 6,000 €

- and to install playground equipment in the yard.

Cost: 2,000 €

Costs for building inspection: 3,000 €

The estimated total cost is 53,000 €.

