



## *Social And Community Organization For Revitalization, Empowerment and Sustainability (SCORES)*

*Child Steps International is committed to solving some of the world's biggest problems faced by its most vulnerable citizens.*

With our current programmatic focus on the Republic of Liberia, we engage communities and partners in areas of child and family well-being, including:

1. Research
2. Education
3. Child Welfare
4. Awareness, Empowerment & Advocacy
5. Strengthening Families and Communities
6. Creating Entrepreneurial and Leadership Opportunities

We partner with local and international stakeholders, inviting all who are willing to work collaboratively for lasting solutions.

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### Our Mission

Our mission is to improve the lives of children and their families who have been affected by war, poverty, and discrimination. We accomplish this by assisting communities in the development and strengthening of innovative, progressive and effective services, which protect children's rights and give families the opportunity to be prosperous, healthy and safe in the place they call home.

### Solving the Problem

After 14 years of war and nearly 12 years of relative peace, Liberians still face many daunting challenges to daily living, including scarcity of electricity, running water, infrastructure, jobs and routine healthcare services. Families are often forced to take drastic measures, including demanding that their children forsake normal childhood activities in order to help provide financially for the family or look after younger relatives.

### The Program

The Liberia SCORES program is an initiative to implement Community Centers across the entire country. Our mission is to strengthen families by exposing youth and adults to positive activities that will help them reach their fullest potential.

This initiative will use focused programs to:

- Increase psychosocial support to families
- Build leadership, character, entrepreneurship, and responsible citizenship
- Provide academic and literacy support to children and families
- Provide a positive and controlled outlet where children can play sports, get fit, and engage in recreational activities
- Provide technical assistance and training to local institutions

### Outcomes

As a result of the preliminary implementation of the SCORES program, three communities, two in Montserrado County and one in a second county, ideally Grand Bassa County, will have functional community centers that provide services designed to empower and enhance the family and the community in multiple areas.

