

GIRLS HOPE

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Growing a Sustainable Future at GHRM

At Girls Hope Rescue Mission, we have adopted a permaculture design approach for all of our agricultural projects. Permaculture is all about mimicking the natural ecosystem to create self-sustaining and environmentally friendly farming practices. It allows us to conserve resources while also maximizing production. This ensures that our farm meets the production needs of our community while also supporting the long-term sustainability of the environment.

Saving Every Drop

We just installed a new 10,000 liter rainwater tank at our facility and are thrilled to report that it recently filled to the brim after a large rainstorm. The tank will allow us to store rainwater during the dry months without having to rely on expensive water systems. The water will be used to irrigate our gardens, hydrate our animals, and support the daily needs of our community. As part of our commitment to self-sufficiency, the new rainwater tank is a resilient system that only relies on nature to help power our farm.

What We're Growing

The gardens at GHRM are home to a wide range of crops which helps improve biodiversity, enrich the soil, and create a thriving ecosystem that supports our community. Our team has been hard at work planting and harvesting crops. Some of our new additions include:

- 50 Avocado trees
- 35 Pomegranate trees
- 1 acre of maize

They're joining an already thriving group of crops:

- 750 Apple trees
- 200 Dragon fruit plants
- 50 Lemon trees
- 25 Mandarin orange trees
- Guava trees, Pineapple Plants, Banana trees, Corn, Cassava root, and Beans.

Some of these crops are sold to produce distributors as a source of income to help fund our programs. With such a high volume of production, we are able to ensure that our girls have an abundance of food that is of the highest quality. Most importantly, planting and maintaining our crops gives the girls valuable hands-on experience and teaches them life skills.





Caring for Our Animals

GHRM's farm is home to cows, pigs, goats, rabbits, and chickens. These animals provide milk, meat, eggs, and companionship for our community. We treat our animals with love, providing them with open space to roam and graze. In return, the animal's waste is turned into a rich compost that helps nourish our soil naturally. The animals help the plants grow and the plants feed the animals. This regenerative cycle is key to keeping our permaculture farm sustainably thriving.

Additional Update

Opening of the Joseph Smith Hospital: We're excited to share that GHRM has recently made strides in the healthcare industry with the opening of the Joseph Smith Hospital. Our hospital is specially curated to help treat, guide, counsel survivors of gender-based violence. We will also offer services to care for pregnant teenage girls and offer general medical treatment for children. The goal is to satisfy the urgent medical needs of our community by making it so people no longer need to travel long distances for quality treatment.



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