

## Safe Drinking Water Reaches Wells-Hairston Day Care - Many To Follow

**P**roject Kind Initiative for Kids Shoes (PKIKS) has donated 500-gallon poly tank to store safe drinking water for pupils at the Wells-Hairston elementary & Day Care School in Chicken Soup Factory community.

Making the donation over the weekend, the group's Country Director, Sekou Dukuly, said the donation will address the challenge of safe drinking water for kids that are in schools especially the country's post-Ebola recovery process.

He said there is absolutely no safe drinking water supply for students in many learning environments across the country, something which according to him is worrisome.

"The location of the Well-Hairston Day Care Center is full of polluted underground water and as such to dig water wells to provide safe drinking water for the children remains a serious challenge," Dukuly emphasized.

The donation brings to five the number of 500-gallon poly tanks to schools along the Somalia Drive in Gardnersville. Liberia Christian Community College, Great



Commission Institute, Word Preparatory School and the United Blind Training Academy, are beneficiaries of the clean bulk water initiative for schools.

Sekou Dukuly, who has also been appointed as Vice President of the Board of PKIKS-International in the United States of America, indicated that the donation is a gesture from Gordon Training International in California, USA. Dukuly indicated that of the 19 schools captured under the clean bulk water initiative for schools, more schools will shortly benefit from similar gesture.

The Director of General Education of the United Methodist Church-Liberia Annual Conference, Helen Roberts-Evans, who cut the ribbon, expressed delight in PKIKS for the

gesture and called on the group increase its capacity to reach out to many schools to provide pupils access to clean and safe drinking water.

"Clean bulk water initiative for schools solution-poly tank will go a long way helping school going kids to meet the challenge of access to safe drinking water," she said.

The acting principal of Wells-Hairston, Siaka Gaytaweh, thanked the group for the gesture and promised not only to maintain the tank but to also use it for the intended purpose by making safe drinking water available to all of its students.

"With approximate enrolment of 400 students and with a lack of safe drinking water in the area, the gesture is indeed timely," the acting principal said.

