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M lly Mothers ClinicOpens

Joining

'Nurse-iGertrude Ferguson checks the blood-pressure of this learner. Basic checks have revealed a wide range of medical problems - eyez/ear defects, Project Co-ordinator Carmelita Williams, lovngly hypertension, mental retardation, to mention a few.

baby- sits while mother attends classes. To help more Poor health is a" feature of illiterate rates who are mothers attend classes regularly, the St. Vincent generally impoverished. Our project tries to address

Union of Teachers is setting up a childcare centre. health-problems of learners.

Culture and Sports Important

Learners write their own poems, calypsoes, and skits. They hold concerts regularly. Two full-plays have been written by a learner who was functionally illiterate when he joined the programme. A standing Cultural Committee. was recently set up.

Learners discussingt'with Programme Co-ordinator, r Mike BrOwne,(with ball) the formation of a netball-team fer Women.

The project has entered a cricket-team in the local soft ball/cricket competition.

Developing a National Campaign

ttBetween 30% and 50% of the adult experiences. This 30 - 50% of the The Paul's Lot Literacy Project is the population of St. Vincent have reading population lack the basic learning skills embryo of a national literacy campaign.

and writingidiffijculties which- impede and must be considered as functionally To develop 'a truly national campaign,

their effective functioning in modern illiteratef'rUNESCO Report - Adult . the. St. Vincent Union of Teachers i's

society. They have difficulties in reading Education in St. Vincent working with community organizations,

newspapers or necessary instructions, The goal of the St. Vincent Union of churches, trade union'ssuch as the

cannot fill in a simple form unaided Teachers is to: farmers union, development agencies, and without help can have little hope uwerk towards the total elimination of cultural bodies, Women's organizations,

of using reading and writing as 'a win- illiteracy in the country in the shortest the Societyiof and for the Blind, indus-

dow on to a wider world of knowledge time possiblef' Constitution, St. Vincent try, government (prisons, radio station,

and understanding of their own life . , Union otIeakchers 7 W .health);and the National Youth\_Council. 7

Our Needs

Finance Equipment

for supplies, training, Wages, allowances, etc; typewriters, duplicating machines, photocopier.

Supplies for September 1985

a. academic sessions(books, pens, pencils, chalk Our address: paper etc).. , v '

b. skills. sessions (thread, needles, cloth, tools, Adult Education Committee paper, electrical wire switches etc) ' St. Vincent Union of Teachers

c. office(paper, staples correction fluid, clips etc). .(S.V.U.T.)

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Since June 1983 when the St. Vincent 0 55% are women b  
Union of Teachers began the Paul's Lot 0 178 are mothers  
Literacy Programme in Kingstown, St. 0 Learners are coming from over 50  
Vincent communities, some as far as 12 miles  
0 over 800 learners have joined the 01110f Kingstown  
programme '

Deciding Together

Monthly general meetings of learners and tutors Young learners at" an academic sess'ioh.  
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monitor, evaluate, and shape' the direction of the y in St. Vincent and the Grenadines- i  
s not compul-

project. 1 ' saw and, many children never attend school.

Between these meetings, the Learner's Council

(made up of 2 representatives elected by learners of  
each of the 5 levels) implementseand makes  
decisions. \_ e

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65 0 0 Mearners . nemp oye

According to government's oWn figures, 5 . force is unemployed. Youth unemploy- Many lear  
ners in the programme are  
between 40 - 50% of the adult labour- ment is estimated at 70 80%. \_ develOping new skill  
s.

Tybing class run by programme's typist Sewingclass run by Level 4 learner Agriculture cla  
ss run by voklurnfeer