



Some of the young men who might be candidates for a room in the new house - but no promises yet!

Although it is intended that the residents will be largely self-sufficient, there is a need for someone to take responsibility for ensuring the proper care and maintenance of the property, and to ensure that they abide by such rules as are necessary. Such a person will need skills in managing inter-personal relationships and be able to encourage the residents in the development of their social skills. In terms of accommodation, the building has provision for an administration office on the ground floor and a large apartment in the roof space. The selection of a suitable manager will be a major factor in the success of the project - the most likely candidate is someone with pastoral experience and a motherly wife!

So how can you help? The young men benefit from the knowledge that someone is taking an interest in them, and having someone who asks about them or who prays for them is very encouraging. If you feel able to help or want to know some more about these boys and others in similar circumstances then please get in touch via our addresses below.

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Casa Neemia is an initiative to provide long-term accommodation for 10 young men who have come from an orphanage or similarly deprived background. At present, these men are living in a variety of temporary situations in circumstances that are generally not conducive to their wellbeing or relationships. The idea of the house is that they can have somewhere which offers them security and privacy whilst at the same time encouraging them to reintegrate into the wider community.

Each of the residents will have a small bedroom with an en-suite bathroom as their personal space whilst sharing facilities such as the kitchen, common room and laundry. This arrangement gives them the privacy and security that they require whilst also encouraging them to integrate with other residents. A rota system for cleaning the common areas will encourage co-operation but one of the first challenges will be learning kitchen etiquette!

Work on the construction of the building has been in progress for two years. Most of the structural work is complete, as is the installation of plumbing and electrical services. The land at the rear of the building has been laid out for vegetables and the young men are actively encouraged to develop their gardening skills.

The current emphasis is on completing the first two bedrooms so that the first residents can try out the facilities and identify any problems before others move in. These first two residents will be chosen carefully as they will then set the standard for later arrivals.



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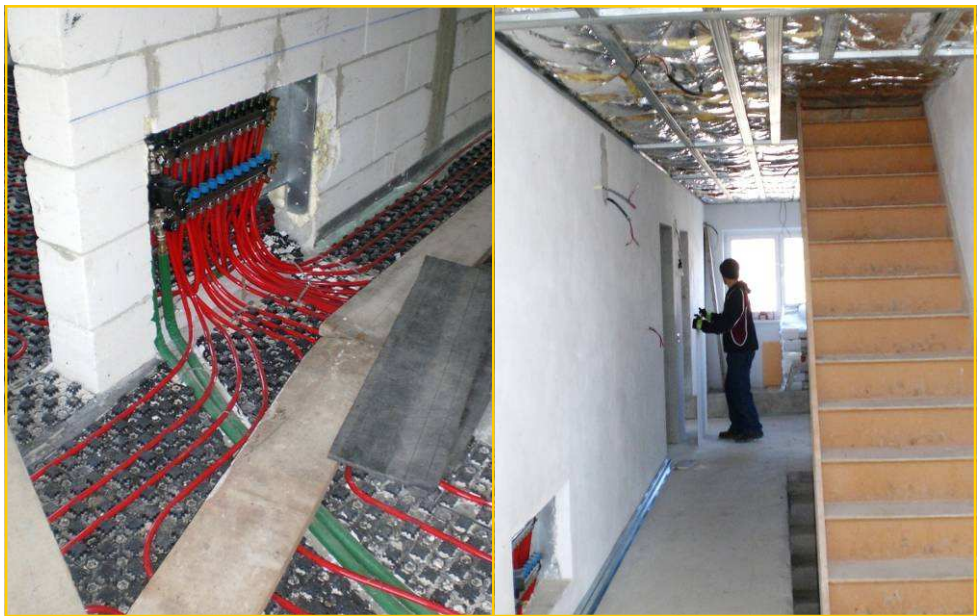
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Romania's summer weather is ideally suited to the use of solar energy. This roof-top installation is already proving hot water at 70C.

Under-floor heating has been installed throughout the building. This, together with insulation above each ceiling, should help to reduce winter heating costs.



The kitchen and the bathrooms are being decorated using tiles and sanitary ware donated by organisations in the UK.

The land around the house is used for growing vegetables. The young men are encouraged to be actively involved and learn new skills as gardeners.

