

## News from The Accreditation Council of Trinidad And Tobago

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## ACTT 's Corporate Social Responsibility Initiative

On Friday March 14, The Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago (ACTT) continued its Corporate Social Responsibility Initiative, under the Ministry of Tertiary Education and Skills Training's "Service Learning and Community Engagement Project Initiative". This year, members of staff volunteered to assist the non-governmental organisation, Kids in Need of Direction (KIND).

KIND, founded in 1996, is a charitable organisation which provides assistance to disadvantaged children throughout Trinidad and Tobago, including those who are less fortunate, literacy challenged and "at risk". Through their "Sponsor a Child to Learn" programme, KIND has helped over 350 children, giving them the opportunity to acquire a sound education while instilling in them a sense of worth.

As one of its Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives, ACTT has adopted the KIND nursery, and has begun the process of repainting and refurbishing it with cribs, a playpen, floor mats, a changing table and curtains. The Council has also committed to providing a hamper of non-perishable food items to KIND once a month for three months. In addition to this, a first aid kit is also being provided as KIND hosts several after school programmes, such as ballet and karate for children. The initiative is being entirely funded by ACTT and its members of staff.

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