# **Newsletter**



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#### Dear sponsors, financial adopters, donors, volunteers and interested parties.

Since the last issue of our newsletter, there is much to tell again. I am happy to do so because, despite this year's recession, we have managed to hold our own and can proudly say that the project is doing well.

Of course, like many others, we did have to take a step back because we received a little less donation. This also has a direct impact on our children and students. Everyone currently has to do their bit to reduce expenses because we cannot increase our monthly budgets while the cost of living and services are going up. After a period of austerity during the COVID-19 pandemic, this is the second time we have had to make cuts. This should and can be done without any real harm to our children.

This inflation is also another good lesson in parenting for our children. We paid a lot of attention to how inflation happens now, what causes it and what the financial consequences are for everyone. That you should then think carefully about what you spend your money on. For the children in the shelter, this means that they will receive less pocket money for the time being, and for our students that they will receive a lower living allowance. Our staff are learning to work more efficiently by combining scooter and car rides, for example, which means lower petrol costs. Petrol is scarce, on sale and prices have doubled in Indonesia.

On 17 August 2022, we celebrated birthday day for all the children, you will read a detailed report about it in this newsletter. I would like to mention that I fully sponsored this day because of my 71st birthday that day. A video report about that can be found on our website www.stichtingdolidindano.com

Furthermore, we will again bring you up to date with all noteworthy events and news about the project and the welfare of our children.

It remains for me, also on behalf of the board, to thank you all again for your support!

I wish you much reading pleasure.

Eef van Koningsveld Chairman

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# Management news

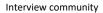


## From project manager Dodi





You may wonder, how do we pick up signals that somewhere in Central Sulawesi there is an underprivileged child in need and in need of social assistance? We do that by ensuring that our project is as widely known as possible in all villages and corners of the entire region. We try to achieve this by making our existence and work known to all socially concerned agencies and village councils. Of course, our project also circulates regularly from mouth to mouth within the community. This sometimes causes parents to want to place their child with us because of a good (study) future for the child or to make it easier for themselves, and that is of course not the intention. Therefore, I always investigate an application on the spot where the child lives with family, neighbours and village administration for truth. In doing so, I use the "intake protocol" drawn up by the Dolidi Ndano foundation board. I report on my findings and the board of the Dolidi Ndano Foundation decides whether these children can be admitted. Thus, at the beginning of this year, I received 3 applications to investigate. They were 2 children (Inggrid and Cha-cha) from a neighbouring village +/- 10 km from our shelter and 1 child (Julia) from a village +/- 100 km away from us. These children have since been taken in by our family. You can read more about these children on the next page. Below some photos of my research.















## From finance manager Astin

Since becoming part of the management team of "Wongko Ndaya Ongaa Foundation", I feel a big difference from my childhood years as I now have the responsibility of taking care of the children at the shelter as a management member, especially in managing and administering the financial sector. My responsibilities are;

- Managing income, expenses and monitoring budgets
- Preparing monthly reports for the board of "Stichting Dolidi Ndano" in the Netherlands
- Managing the AlfaDolidi shop where our children can do their shopping
- Managing the pocket money project for our children
- Managing the living expenses and study grants of our students

With this job, I learnt that there are many people who want to help and care for the children in the "Wongko Ndaya Ongaa Foundation". A little of what they earn, they donate to this place. Even with the current crisis due to COVID-19 and inflation around the world, their sense of solidarity is not diminishing. I, as one of the children who grew up here as a child in an orphanage and got the opportunity to be able to study, greatly appreciate it I feel very proud and grateful for everything I have been given to become what I am today. I will do my best to give my best for the Foundation and the children. Thank you so much!









# Changes at the shelter











## New children at the shelter

Marshanda Kinde Ayu, (Call name Cha-Cha) is 12 years old and is from the town of Dulumai and lived with her grandmother in the neighbouring village of Peura. Cha-Cha has completed primary school education and is now attending secondary school. Her 79-year-old Oma, who still works in a rice field, only has an income of between €15 and €30 a month and therefore could no longer take good care of her. Cha-Cha is very happy within our big family of "Wongko Ndaya Ongaa".

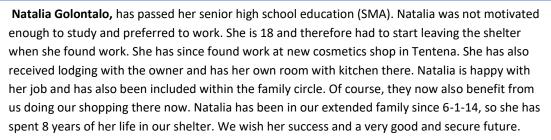
Inggrid Hustia Ladjamba, (Call name Inggrid) is 13 years old and is also from the town of Dulumai. Because Inggid's mother has diabetes (and is therefore disabled), the family is underprivileged because of these conditions. Inggrid lived with her grandparents in Peura. She finished the 2nd class of Junior High School as best in class. She is a very bright girl and would like a chance for a good future by studying later. She now gets that at our shelter!

Julia Anastasya Topabibo, (Call name Julia) is 12 years old and from the town of Masani. Julia lived with her mother and younger sister in great poverty because mum has too little income to take good care of her. She finished primary school in Masani and is now attending secondary school in Tentena. Julia would also like a chance at a good future and we are going to give her that chance.

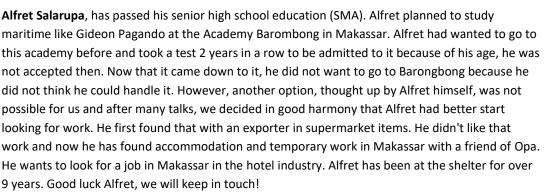














Ludia Asrul (daughter of our cook mm Ayu) has left the shelter with mum's approval. Ludia herself wanted to leave because she had some problems with our way of living together and wanted more freedom. She now lives in the parents' house with her sister Ayu and is just going to finish her school, which she still has 2 years to go to. We wish Ludia every success in her future life and will start seeing her regularly when she goes to visit mum.







# Financial accountability

**Current financial resources** 





# The impact of inflation 2022 on our project.

What does inflation mean for our income? Despite the Covid-19 pandemic and current inflation, giving behaviour is unchanged for 90 percent of our financial adopters and sponsors. Only a few have dropped out because they donate to organisations closer to home or simply struggle to pay their own bills. However, the lack of this income is met by donors who are willing to donate a little extra if we run into financial difficulties.

**Doesn't inflation have a social impact on the project?** Of course, it does! In Indonesia, energy prices have gone up by 40 per cent (gas, electricity and petrol) and purchases for living expenses have gone up by 10 per cent. So, because of our large family (30 children and 9 staff members), our costs have increased extra sharply.

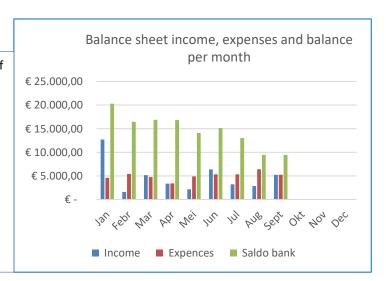
How do we deal with this inflation? The board and management have taken a concerted decision to cut our expenses. We feel that in the context of global inflation, we should make our staff and our children aware of these problems and teach them how to deal with it. Therefore, through a presentation, the background and cause of this inflation were told, and that we too can do our bit by controlling the cost of our expenses by setting priorities. For these cuts, a number of agreements have been made that everyone understands and cooperates in;

- Children receive 6 euros less per month of pocket money to spend on snacks they often buy during school hours.
- Students receive 9 euros less per month for their living expenses.
- Fewer trips (fewer kilometres) for our school bus and scooters for our children. This by combining more rides with other activities.
- Cut back on electricity (fewer lights on at night)
- Better planning for purchasing food, petrol and gas bottles. Fewer private trips to Tentena for purchases. (No declaration)

These measures are partly intended as lessons for financial awareness. Naturally, we will ensure that no one is short-changed and/or hindered in our objectives. As soon as revenues are higher and thus purchasing power increases again, we will withdraw these measures.

## Financial progression 2022

The balance sheet in January was still very positive with a balance of over €20,000 in the bank. This balance was considerably large due to some high donations we received as additional support because of our financial crisis in autumn 2021. In January, we also had more income than expenses. During the subsequent months (except June), you can see that partly due to inflation, expenses have exceeded income. In the past month, income is rising again due to some additional donations and expenses have been reduced again due to our budget cuts. Our current balance is now 9,000 euros. Of this, 5,000 euros has been set aside for our study fund in October. (College 4 students and transit Agnes to China).









# 🍑 🔯 Shelter "Wongko Ndaya Ongaa"



## Property deed

The Dolidi Ndano Foundation has succeeded in officially registering the land and buildings of the shelter and clinic, in a deed with Yayasan "Wongko Ndaya Ongaa" as owner and in the name of our project manager Seprian (Dodi) Pereru. If in the future Dodi terminates his position for any reason, the deed will be amended in the name of the new project manager. The Land Registry in Indonesia has taken measurements and all boundaries have been quayside recorded. In the past, the land was still in the name of Herson Rare'a because the land, which we purchased, had to be in the name of an Indonesian owner. After the reorganisation in which we completely separated from the Resort, it was important for the foundation that no one outside the board or management could still claim, or influence, the operation of our property. To get everything right, an official from the Direktorat Pengolahan Arsip (Department of Civil Public Works) visited our project to see if everything was even built according to the rules. This official told us that a new law was passed in 2012 that one is no longer allowed to build within 100 metres of a lake. This law puts many people here around the lake in trouble. Not us, however, because we built the shelter back in 2009 and registered it in a deed notary right away. Despite some buildings being within 10 metres of the lake, this was also not a problem because we protected the land and buildings from the water with a strong dam. The official was very happy with the condition of our complex.





## Volunteer Jelle Tabois

Since the covid-19 pandemic is over its peak and all rules have been relaxed again, we could start scheduling volunteer work again. From 30 June to 30 September, Jelle Tabois volunteered for our children by providing daily English language lessons for our children. Jelle is from Arnhem and is a consultant in IT who decided to quit his job to settle in South-East Asia (Indonesia) indefinitely. In doing so, he wanted to come and volunteer with us for 3 months. Just before his arrival, Jelle surprised us all with a donation for the foundation of no less than € 3,183, - Two sisters organised a farewell party for Jelle at which a collection was held among family, friends, acquaintances and colleagues to provide additional support for the project. Jelle also personally supported the project a little extra financially in addition to his monthly financial adoption contribution. During the time Jelle has been working, he has developed a very good relationship with children and staff. Besides teaching the children, he also taught our staff a bit of the English language His farewell was therefore emotional and beautiful for all of us. The children performed traditional dances (with a story) for him and Jurni gave a great farewell speech in English. Jelle thank you very much for everything and we will miss you!











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### Announcement "volunteering":

In December this year, Djura Broijl will come to support our project and our children for a few months. In March 2020, Djura was already supposed to come and help us during her studies but due to covid-19, we had to postpone it. Meanwhile, she has graduated and obtained her Bachelor of Arts - BA, Ecological Pedagogue I Master of Science - MSc, Youth studies.



# Birthdays day







Once a year, we plan to celebrate birthday day of and for all children. This is then a day full of activities and celebrations. In 2021, due to the covid-19 crisis, there was not enough budget to celebrate this day in a big way, so we skipped this day partly because a trip to Tana Toraja was planned. This year too, there were some financial problems due to inflation. But to skip this day again was not an option. Therefore, "Opa Eef" of his 71st birthday on 17 August, organised and sponsored the birthday day. It had to be a great party for everyone and it worked! We had created a full day's programme with gift surprises, lots of cake, sporting 5-camp games, delicious food from a home slaughtered pig and to top it off, in the evening, a real party with dancing and live music by a well-known local band. The children all "went wild"! Below is a photo report of all the activities.

A video film of the day was made, you can find it on the home page of our website www.stichtingdolidindano.com!

































# Studyfund





Agnes, is still performing amazingly well. She scores wonderful marks in her on-line exams but her studies are not without problems. She faces some setbacks as she cannot complete her full observation assignments in Indonesia. For certain observations, a student must have special permission from the minister of health and the ministry of education and technology. Therefore, the hospital director cannot allow further observation without that letter. However, the permission takes too long; she would then receive it only in December, which does not fit into her study programme. However, this problem has since been solved as the University in China has recalled all students. They will stop studying on-line and continue off-line soon. Agnes therefore has to return to campus to continue her lectures there. This then also means that she can start doing the rest of the observation programme in China. She received a certificate for the observations she did in the hospitals in Sulawesi. A lot had to be arranged for the trip to China because of the strict measures in place there. The trip will take several days as she also has to follow the covid-19 procedure by staying in a quarantine hotel in Jakarta for 4 days. To arrange a new visa and the necessary documents for travelling, she will get help from the embassy in Jakarta. For all students, this is done in 3 groups and Agnes is in 3rd group. (Saturday, 15 October, Agnes will fly from Makassar to Jakarta for quarantine).

For our foundation, the decision to stop the on-line lectures came as a surprise because as recently as July it had been communicated that the study would be on-line for the rest of this year. Because this unexpected and therefore unbudgeted for trip is an extra cost of €3,000, - we had to look for a sponsor for an extra donation to our study fund. This eventually succeeded, and we hope that Agnes can simply finish the last 2 years of her studies in China.

On the photos; Agnes during her observation, with study friend Adibah, the recall letter and the list of marks from her last exam in September. (100.00 is max score)



**Tiara**, is also in the final stages of her law studies. Her graduation is tentatively scheduled for February 2023.

**Utin,** has now completed her practical assignment at a bank in Makassar and finished with an exam. (*Photo left*)

Gideon completed his studies at this year's Barombong Academy and graduated as a marine engineer on 1 April. Gideon would like to work on a cruise passenger ship. After his graduation, he had to pass another English exam for an additional certificate. He has since passed that and is now waiting to see when the certificate will be issued. Gideon is now staying at the shelter and helping us with various chores until he finds a job and can start signing on to the big ship. We hope this will be in early 2023. Of course, we will help him with the job application. We are proud of you Gideon! If you go on leave for a few weeks in the future, you are always welcome in our shelter. We can put your efforts and skills to good use.

On the right, Gideon's graduation photo.





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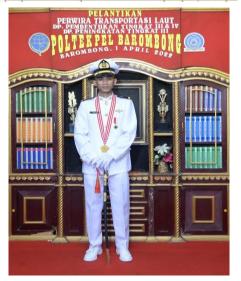
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#### To Whom It May Concern

This is to certify that AGNES SALARUPA, female, passport number: B9282952, roll number: 20187110202, from Indonesia, was enrolled as 2018 batch student for studying Clinical Medicine at Sanquan Medical College. The student agrees unconditionally accept all Chinese regulations on pandemic prevention and controlling and bear related expenses. Sanquan Medical College agrees to the student's entry China and return to school.

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# Health care (medical fund)



## Illness of Rifeldo (Edo) Buru

Edo became very ill on 30 July with severe breathing problems and palpitations. His temperature was high, his blood pressure high and his Oxi low. So, we bring him to the hospital in Tentena for further examination. There, they admitted him and administered oxygen. The doctor suspected acute bronchitis but, however, could not diagnose him properly because of the lack of proper equipment. The next day, we had Edo taken by ambulance to the hospital in Poso where they have more research capabilities. After 4 days of admission and examination, the diagnosis was indeed acute bronchitis. Edo had to rest for several weeks but was allowed to return home with lots of medication. However, after a month on bed rest, there was still no improvement in his recovery, Edo was tired, lethargic and losing a lot of weight. As I (Eef) did not trust the diagnosis of acute bronchitis, I decided on 31 August to fly with Edo and his father pp Olivia to Makassar for a second opinion from a paediatrician (specialist) at the renowned "Siloam hospital". It soon became clear that something else was going on and the doctor wanted Edo to undergo further extensive tests. After three days of tests in the laboratory, in the radiology department, and in the cardiac department, the results finally came with the paediatrician's diagnosis.

- 1) Edo has closed TB, which Edo Tuberkulin was vaccinated against according to procedure.
- 2) Edo has a heart valve not closing properly in the right ventricle between the upper and lower chambers that pumps blood to the lungs. As a result, some blood flows back occasionally. Not a big problem because of Edo's young age. It will start to repair itself as he grows up and is not dangerous.
- 3) Edo has an allergy problem. He is allergic to shellfish and honey.

Of course, Edo has now received the right medication for his ailments and has recovered nicely. He still needs to gain some more confidence and courage but step by step that will come. He is already going to school again and feels like doing something. He is not allowed to play intensive sports yet, but he has to keep moving.



Overnight in Palu



Airplane boarding Palu



Back home



Relaxing on the road







Siloam hospital Makassar

# Asthma problems in Dodi

**Dodi,** developed severe breathing problems on the night on 10 August on which we took him to hospital. The diagnosis was made quite quickly and Dodi had an attack of asthma. By vaporising through a Compressor Nebulizor with Sodium chloride/Salbutamol, the shortness of breath disappeared. The doctor wanted to keep Dodi in the hospital a little longer for observation. As we had accepted a 1st class room, the observation lasted for 3 days. (The hospital probably wants to earn some extra). However, Dodi was soon feeling well again. Since we also own a compressor in our clinic, we immediately bought some medication in case Dodi had problems again. And that was just as well because since then Dodi has already had 3 attacks and the tightness had disappeared after only 5 minutes of fumes. If the frequency of attacks continues like this, we will also go to Siloam hospital for a consultation with a lung specialist.





# Sponsor page



#### Eef in the Netherlands.

From December 2021 to July 2022, I (Eef) was in the Netherlands as planned. This trip had several objectives; Besides visiting family and friends, I also had the opportunity to do some board and sponsorship activities and visit some sponsors at home and abroad. And of course, not forgetting to let our manager Dodi experience what it is like to run the shelter independently as a project manager. In newsletter 22, I have already reported some sponsorship activities and new donations. In this newsletter, I mention another recruitment drive and some special donations made so far. For the record, I just mention that the costs of all board and fundraising activities are not paid or reimbursed by the foundation!

At my farewell party for family and friends, they surprised me with some donations as extra support for the project. Great! Thank you, family and friends.

Pictured on the right is the family gift.







Friends Ron and Natasja

### **Support from Rotary Club.**

My friend Ron Neymann is a board member of the Rotary Club Staphorst-Reestland and he made it possible for me to give a project presentation in a meeting at location Kasteel Hotel-Restaurant De Havixhorst in De Schiphorst. The aim was to get a donation for the construction of a new toilet block we plan to build on our property in 2023. In the end, we received a donation from the Rotary Club and a gift from 2 members, a total of €2,050, -

Thank you all very much for your hospitality and support!



Project presentation in kasteel de Havixhorst



### Some great donation moments received highlighted:

- Mirjam Klaassens and Wilco Kater raised €642.50 at the birth of their daughter Jule on 28 April, with maternity gifts, and donated this amount for the three new children we have taken in. (Photo 1)
- Marianne Berkhof and Henk van Engeland celebrated a party where they asked for a donation for our project as a gift. They donated a total of €375.
- Christian Bender and Kamilla Megel from Germany spontaneously visited our project during their holiday trip and were impressed. They left a donation of €200 and some snacks for the children. (Photo 2)
- Patrick K. Magyar from Switzerland has supported us with a donation to our study fund for many years. Due to inflation and unbudgeted expenses, our fund ran into financial problems. We presented our problem to Patrick and he did not hesitate for a moment to make an additional donation that solved our problem. Patrick, Thank you very much!







# from big too small. We regularly publish some names with donations in our newsletter because they are very special or there is a nice story behind them. For this, we ask

Of course, we are grateful for and appreciate all donations

permission. If you would like your story or donation to be mentioned by name, please let us know!

#### DONATE?

You can indicate whether you want to donate monthly, annually or once with an amount of your choice. It is also possible to indicate whether you want to donate specifically to a project or in general.

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# Photo page



Photos taken of and by the children

