

# Newsletter



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

When I started the project to help underprivileged children in Central Sulawesi in 2009, I did not think that something so beautiful and successful would be realized. In these years we have already cared for, raised and trained sixty children through our (3) objectives. Eight children have already graduated for their university or academic studies. It all seems like a fairytale, but is that true?

For most children it is indeed a fairy tale because we have laid the foundation for a promising and happy life for them. Behind the scenes, however, there are also many low points that undermine our mission and sometimes have a major impact on the board, management and staff. We regularly encounter cases of corruption, unethical conduct, fraud, abuse of trust and forgery. The fairy tale then turns into a nightmare for the management team, which causes a lot of stress.

In particular, a major conflict with our neighbors at Resort Dolidi Ndano is now happening again, but it is still too early to fully inform you about this. I am writing this to you because in this newsletter you can read about a number of matters that relate to this and may raise questions.

We try to keep the children aloof from these problems as much as possible. I discuss all cases intensively with the management team and discuss our views with the staff. So, I'm not alone! Dodi in particular is a great support to me. A literal and figurative feeling of emptiness has arisen in me due to Esther's death. I discussed these problems with her and we as a team always found a solution. I still have to overcome this emptiness. That will work because the children are my inspiration and motivation to continue unabated!

My story is something I wanted to share with you and I hope I can tell more in the next regular newsletter or if necessary, in an extra edition.

Remains, 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 Dodi.

I have been working as a project manager at YWNO for over 2 years now. I have now learned that my position is much broader than just being responsible for the objectives of the foundation. There are sometimes factors that have a negative impact on our organization. These influences are often caused by unethical and/or unlawful actions by people outside our organization who want to benefit from our institution. Now I know that we must oppose this because it could jeopardize the future of the project. That is why I wholeheartedly support Opa in his fight against this corrupt aggression. We discuss these external influences every day and make an action plan to protect the project. If necessary, we will ask for legal assistance and then engage a lawyer. Fortunately, there are also many people from the community who support us in our (Western) working method because they see that it has results and, in addition to the many underprivileged children, it also helps the community. It makes me think about ourselves and about society. It contributes to a better social environment and better forms of interaction between people. Of course we do not forget our objectives and I am once again very happy to report that we have once again welcomed 3 underprivileged children into our large family!



## New children in the shelter



Tasya

**Anastasya (Tasya) Robu** was admitted to our shelter on September 21. Tasya was born on April 16, 2010 in the town of Bancea on Lake Poso. Growing up in poverty hindered her social-emotional development and caused low self-esteem. She has now found her place within our large family and has regained confidence in her future, allowing her to fully concentrate on her secondary school education.



Tesya

**Gratia Pratisya (Tesya) Nape** was also admitted on September 21. Tesya was born on March 28, 2013 and is also from Bancea. In recent years she grew up with her grandparents, but they were no longer able to care for her for health reasons. Tesya shows a lot of affection for everyone in the shelter and still goes to primary school.

**Alfeli Novita (Feli) Prisil** was admitted to our shelter on October 15. Feli was born on November 20, 2014 and comes from Palopo, a city in South Sulawesi, 300 km from Tentena. Her family from Tentena asked us to help her because she grew up in an underprivileged and broken family. After a week of getting used to it within our family, she has now found her feet and is going to class 3 of primary school.



Feli

## New Staff Member



**Alfret Salarupa** left the shelter after graduating from senior high school and found a job in Tentena and Makassar. However, he could not find his place there and suffered from homesickness. When he heard that we were looking for a maintenance employee, he immediately applied and was hired on August 1, '23 for garden maintenance and energy management. **Welcome home Alfret!**

## Interim financial report of Astin

With still 3 months to go, it is expected that our expenses in 2023 will be +/- € 6,000 higher than budgeted. The cause is higher unforeseen expenses due to hospital admissions by Utin and Tabitha in Makassar, higher personnel costs and damage to equipment due to overvoltage in the electricity grid. At the end of the year (if no additional donations are received) there may be a deficit in the balance of € 3,700. This amount can then be covered from our liquid assets.





# Shelter 1



## Expansion of sports facilities

We pay a lot of attention to the physical education of our children. Sports are healthy for the body and mind and that is why we motivate the children to exercise more. To this end, we have constructed 2 additional sports facilities again this year. In addition to our existing volleyball, takraw (traditional foot volleyball) and badminton fields, we have also constructed a beach football field and a basketball court. The football field is fenced and can also be used for other sports and games events. The staff also participates regularly, which is good for harmonious relationships.



## New accommodation for our guests

Due to the ongoing conflict with our neighbors, we are no longer able or willing to book a room at the resort for our family, friends and loyal sponsors. That is why we have built a fully by Opa sponsored accommodation at the shelter exclusively for these visitors. If these people want to visit us, we invite them to stay at the project for free as our guests if there is a room available. We can receive a maximum of 6 people. The stay is free because we are not allowed to do commercial activities due to the ANBI status and the protocols in Indonesia. We have now received our first (sponsor) guests in August. The Charlotte and Martijn Moerman family from Amsterdam stayed with us for a week as part of their Sulawesi tour. They were very enthusiastic about their stay and about our approach to educating underprivileged children and giving them a chance for a good future. It was also wonderful and heart-warming for us to see that their children, Julius and Isabel, spent a lot of time in good harmony with our children and therefore developed a good bond.

*Below are some photos of the accommodation and some photos taken by Martijn.*





# Shelter 2



## Birthdays day August 17, 2023

The annual birthday day for all children was once again a success. Within our large family it is somewhat difficult to celebrate a child's birthday on the day of birth itself. It is also not common within the culture to celebrate with cakes and gifts. The tradition here is to simply congratulate and for children to smash a (raw) egg on the head of the birthday boy/girl. The celebration of our annual birthday day for the children is basically on August 17 because this is Grandpa's birthday and all children are free from school due to the celebration of independence in Indonesia. The day is always completely filled with activities; Eating cake, exchanging gift surprises, playing competition 6 camp, catering and a party evening with live music are regular items. All in all, it was another very atmospheric and successful day!

(See pictures)



## Electricity problems

Ever since the shelter opened, we have had to deal with power outages almost every day, sometimes several times a day. In addition to the many cable disruptions, the Electricity Company PLN is unable to report planned work to us. In principle it is not a big problem because we have a good generator as a backup that takes over the power supply. However, at the end of September we were surprised by an overvoltage from the grid, most likely caused by an incorrect circuit during work. We had not turned on the generator at that time and were still connected to the grid. The overvoltage was so high that the meter exploded and our devices, which were connected to the grid at the time, broke due to burning of the PCBs. The total damage is approximately €800 for material and immaterial costs. Now we cannot insure ourselves against this and are trying to recover the costs from PLN. Given the previous conflicts we have had with PLN, we do not expect much from this. Below is part of our report with the costs that we are trying to claim from PLN in this way. To prevent this problem in the future, we have ordered overvoltage protection.

Perhitungan Tegangan Lebih Over Under Voltage Protection 220V/40A Rp. 200.000

BEVAV

Overvoltage protection



Material damage

### Kerusakan tegangan lebih yang timbul akibat pekerjaan PLN

4 Adu TV (Van tak tak)	Jumlah 2	Notifera masa perbaikan	Rp. 2.000.000
4 Kulkas (Van tak tak)	Jumlah 4	Stipa pengganti	Rp. 2.000.000
4 Mesin cuci (Van tak tak)	Jumlah 2	Stipa masa masa perbaikan	Rp. 2.000.000
4 Lemari pendingin	Jumlah 2	Stipa pengganti	Rp. 100.000
4 Motor listrik PLS	Jumlah 2	Notifikasi gratis PLN	Rp. 0,000.000
4 Motor pompa	Jumlah 1	Stipa pengganti	Rp. 1.000.000
4 Kulkas dapur	Jumlah 1	Notifera masa perbaikan	Rp. 1.000.000
4 Mesin cuci dapur (Proteksi)	Jumlah 1	Notifera masa perbaikan	Rp. 1.000.000
4 Kulkas (Van tak tak)	Jumlah 1	Notifera masa perbaikan	Rp. 1.000.000
4 Kulkas (Van tak tak)	Jumlah 1	Stipa pengganti	Rp. 1.000.000
4 Stipa pendingin dapur	Jumlah 1	Notifera masa perbaikan	Rp. 1.000.000
4 Pompa ledeng dan filter	Jumlah 1	Stipa pengganti	Rp. 3.000.000
4 Mesin air (High pressure)	Jumlah 1	Stipa pengganti	Rp. 1.000.000
4 Lemari dapur	Jumlah 1	Stipa pengganti	Rp. 200.000
Kerusakan tegangan lebih			Rp. 22.000.000

Immaterial damage

### Kerusakan yang tidak bersifat materi.

- 4 Akibat tegangan lebih yang beresitas, kerusakan sudah terjadi di dalam shelter material seperti PLS, yang menggunakan barang-barang tersebut, sehingga di luar biaya perbaikan barang.
- 4 Dalam kejadian tegangan lebih 2 (Shelter 2) tidak ada laporan kerusakan untuk shelter (Shelter), karena di dalam shelter tidak ada barang-barang yang rusak akibat tegangan lebih yang terjadi akibat tegangan berlebih.
- 4 Pada tanggal 2 September, saat terjadi PLN, kerusakan material dan immaterial yang disebabkan oleh tegangan berlebih. Hal ini adalah biaya immaterial. Untuk meminimalkan kerugian PLN, tegangan di shelter harus dicek secara berkala menggunakan meteran khusus untuk shelter (PLN) dengan pemantauan tegangan yang terus-menerus.



# Study fund



## Passed!

**Utin** successfully completed her accountancy studies with the thesis (final) exam in June. She scored an excellent 3.89 out of 4. However, her graduation, which was planned for December, will have to wait a little longer and is now provisionally scheduled for the spring of 2024. Utin has not been idle after completing her studies. To quickly find a good job, she took additional competency-oriented training in business administration and management. She also passed that. Opa then invited Utin to come home for a holiday and to work on her future plans. After 2 weeks she came to Opa with a proposal. She wanted to return to Makassar to look for (temporary) work there until her graduation and in this way to contribute to her living costs, which will be borne by the foundation until graduation. That is a mentality that guarantees a good future! That is why Opa approached a good relationship at a large hotel chain (Melia Hotels) in Makassar who would like to help her further. She will start an internship there on November 1, to teach her how to work in the real job. She may be able to be hired for a permanent job that will complement her studies before her graduation. Melia has many hotels in Asia and that offers many opportunities because Utin is also flexible in the place of employment.

Business administration and management training



Melia hotel Makassar



## Final stages of study in China

**Agnes** is in her last semester of medical school in China. The study results are great and her assessment is regularly "exelent". Her graduation is provisionally scheduled for the end of June 2024. This does not mean that she is ready for her goal of practicing as a pediatrician in Indonesia. She will have to extend her studies in Indonesia by 1 or a maximum of 2 years to achieve this. Since June 2023, Agnes has been doing an internship at the "Second Affiated Hospital in Xinxiang City" in the Department of Neurology. Because the travel distance from campus to the hospital is too long, she moved to an apartment near the hospital. Agnes is now in her final phase at the Neurosurgery department, of which some photos.



	AG	GR
	Drifex	Drifex
Medical ethics and law	✓	
Medical history and epidemiology	✓	
Medical record writing and documentation	✓	
Specialized clinical practice	✓	
Specialized clinical practice		✓

## Onze 3 nieuwe studiepuppies in Makassar

**Jurni, Cindy en Olivia** started their studies in Makassar in September. They moved to our student house at the "Green River View" park at the end of August. Opa took them to Makassar and introduced them to some people who can directly support or help them if necessary. Utin and Tabitha showed them further around the big city. They have now let us know that they are very happy in their new environment and are already very busy studying. Jurni studies Nutritionist, Cindy studies History and Olivia Healthcare.





## Hospitalization Utin

Utin became very ill at the end of June and had to be admitted to the Siloam hospital in Makassar for treatment with a high fever. The diagnosis was Dengue fever, a (life) dangerous viral infectious disease. This virus is transmitted by the bite of the tiger mosquito. Fortunately, the first Denque vaccine has recently come onto the market for treatment (Qdenga). Utin was vaccinated and was able to leave the hospital after a week's stay. She has now fully recovered and is doing well again.

*The costs for her treatment and medicines are €1,900.*



**About Denque in Sulawesi.** The chance of contracting a Dengue infection on Sulawesi is not very high. The most common known occurrence is during the rainy season at sea level. We have no known cases in the mountains of central Sulawesi. The Dengue vaccine Qdenga is recommended for travelers aged four years and older who had a dengue infection more than 1 year ago and travel to an endemic country for more than 4 weeks and/or on a high frequency.

## Hospitalization Tabitha

Tabitha contracted an intestinal infection in September and spent 4 days in Siloam hospital for treatment. Tabitha has also fully recovered from her illness.

*The costs for her treatment and medicines are €700.*

It is not possible for the foundation to insure our children as a group (at a discount). The costs of taking out good insurance individually for each child are far too high.



## Group photo of children in the shelter (October '23)





# Sponsor page



## Sponsorship of the neighborhood association De Eshof

Neighborhood association De Eshof from Elst (Gld) has organized a flea market for years, the proceeds of which went to charity. However, the neighborhood association stopped this activity and still had money in its cash that had been returned from another charity. The board has decided to donate this money to our foundation. On June 17 (during a 6-camp neighborhood activity), Ria who maintained contacts & Opa Eef received a check from the treasurer worth no less than € 5,750,- Neighborhood Association, thank you very much! *On the photo, Ria is presented with the check.*



Barbara Gutowska & Ria Spanbroek Together we completed the sponsored run of the Nijmegen 4-day 2023 with great success. In 2022 they promised to do the sponsored run for the Dolidi Ndano Foundation. This promise became a commitment and we regularly trained with motivation so as not to drop out during the event, while many people sponsored us. While walking, a hat and shirt were worn for our charity and a card with a barcode hung around their neck to encourage people to donate. All in all, a great achievement that was ultimately rewarded with a sponsorship amount of € 6,220 for the Dolidi Ndano Foundation! Ria & Barbara intend to visit the project in September 2024 and we will of course receive them warmly.



## Sponsorship campaign



### Ria & Barbara



To all sponsors, on behalf of our children and students



### DONATE to the Dolidi Ndano Foundation?

You can indicate whether you want to donate monthly, annually or one-off in 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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# Volunteer work



## Message from Djura Volunteer work from December '22 to July '23

I have been back in the Netherlands for almost half a year after my great Dolidi adventure. Time flies, because this time last year the journey had yet to begin. But how I enjoyed the people, the food, the culture and the teaching! Back in the Netherlands I was looking for a new job, and thanks to my experiences as a volunteer at Dolidi, I now have a job where I also spend a lot of time in the classroom. During my stay I learned, did and saw a lot. I miss the sun and the warmth, but most of all I miss the children, the staff and Opa Eef. That's why I hope to one day be able to visit these lovely people and beautiful place again! *Djura thank you for your efforts and creativity, the children have learned a lot from you!*



## Myrthe, our current volunteer



**Myrthe Zwierink** came to Sulawesi on September 18 to support our project as a volunteer. Myrthe has completed her MBO hospitality studies. The first week in Sulawesi was for her to acclimatize and she got to know our students in Makassar, the children from the shelter, our staff and the culture of central Sulawesi. She also visited the schools in Tentena to get a good impression of the learning system in Indonesia. Myrthe says that she really enjoys working with the children and gives them daily English lessons in 4 groups. She is also active in guiding our children in sports and games. The photos give an impression of her work.







# Photo page

Photos taken by the children

