



CASA Gambia

**Community Action Support Association-Gambia
Casa-Gambia-Netherlands**

Paving the way to self-development

Is our statement to the people of the Gambia.

Dear Sir, Madam,

Community Action Support Association-Gambia is a foundation whose objective is the Gambian population bring to a higher social plan, in particular the poor, low developed population. Our Foundation is made up of 9 highly-trained Gambian professionals in the field of education, health care, agriculture and youth development, including sports. After 22 years of dictatorship, with all the negative consequences for the population and the country, this Foundation would like to make a positive contribution to the reconstruction of their own country. The Foundation is confident, now Gambia has become a democracy since January 2017. The EU also is confident, that is shown by the fact that the EU is now, after long years to have stopped, a lot of development money to the Gambia for the further development of their country.

The Foundation is registered in the Gambia in november 2015 as a local organization and in Netherlands as an international aid organization in October 2016.

Casa-Gambia is not a Government Organization, not a political, not a religious and not a commercial organization.

The Foundation has the ANBI status, that means you can deduct your donations of the tax.

The Foundation Wild Geeze has accepted our project even as the foundation Elisabeth Strouven in Maastricht, this foundation works together with Wild Geeze. Both foundations support our project.



A year ago visited the President of Casa-Gambia primary school where he had enjoyed primary education 22 years ago. At the sight of the school was the President deeply shocked by the deplorable state in which the school is.

Despite the fact that the number of children since that time was doubled, there were no extra facilities built and there seemed to be no maintenance. Information of school leadership made clear that the reason for this, lays in a too low budget for maintenance.



Photo 1: leak in the roof allowing the library and teachers room have become unusable.

Photo 2: worn chairs that are still used by default.

Photo 3: battered table that should be used by the children, for lack of better.

At that time the President himself promised to do everything possible to restore the school. Casa-Gambia is aware of the importance of a good education and that is not possible without good facilities, materials and good hygiene. It became clear that 1,875 children and 66 teachers depend on the commitment of CASA-Gambia to turn the tide.

Concrete Casa-Gambia has developed a plan in collaboration with the Executive Board of the school, the local population and the Government for the total renovation of the Brufut Lower Basic School. In the meantime we have already got the MOU (the Memorandum of Understanding) This means we have an appointment with the Ministry that they are responsible for the school and that they take care for all what's needed to can give good quality education. This means they take care for paying the teachers, take care for all education materials which are needed to can give good quality education and that they are involved by increasing cleaning and maintaining the school.

By involving all these people and stakeholders by the renovation of the school we want to increase and garanty the quality of the school at the long term.

Community involvement

CASA-Gambia mobilizes a work crew of local people, both professionals and auxiliary troops. For this, we work together with the school management, teachers, parents and the administration of the village Brufut.

Improve Awareness & Education

It will be clearly for everyone who visits the school that renovation of the school is badly needed. However, we will also make an effort to add other qualities by information and training activities in the field of hygiene, maintenance, family planning, women's rights and anti-corruption. The team of CASA-Gambia, the most of whom have ever gone to school in Brufut, put all her knowledge, experience and network in order to make progress in these areas. That is very suitable for the ' return ' culture of CASA-Gambia. The long term impact:

"Paving the way to self-realization"

What needs to be addressed with great urgency?

On the picture below you can see the simple but robust school desk that we are going to purchase with your help. In addition we also repair the roof over the library, the floor tiling in a number of classrooms and all the walls inside and outside painting. CASA-Gambia used the

summer vacation to the refurbishment work before the new school year begins. We are already looking forward to the smiling children if they go back to school in september.

After this first phase, renovation projects at take the Christmas summer holiday. After renovation projects, involved in the Brufut its stakeholders to maintenance and to education. We are



we will run two the school. We want to break and the next completion of the we will continue to be elementary school and take care of the help raise the quality of also working to create a

plan for the construction of 8 additional premises because actually 46 classrooms for 1,875 is not enough. We are confident that the children will benefit from a good education as we have had. Our commitment will inspire this new generation to take initiative as our passion is expressed:

Prepare the way for development on its own initiative

How can you help?

You can buy a School bench for the Children for € 50.00/piece. If at least € 50 is donated then we can buy a solid school bank which will be used by 6 children per day! If desired we will each bank that you purchase, brands with ' supported by [your name] ', which is very fun for the kids because they see that there is someone in the world interested in their future.

If you are an organization, or personal and you want a whole class with your name engraved on each school bank, that means 20 engraved school desks for 120 children per day.

Send us your contact details, so that we can send you a picture of your engraved school bank (s).

Of course there is more what you can do with your knowledge, experience and network by spreading this letter. You can also decide to come to The Gambia and help us with our project in any form.

Your support is necessary to 100 solid school desks to purchase. 1,875 children are now too much for the number of available school desks, rendering the children can learn well. That is why our top priority is buying new school benches! We will refurbish old banks that can be saved.

Casa-Gambia has a project plan, in which the phases, budget and planning is described. If you are interested in this plan you can ask persons mentioned below.

You can support us by donating to our bank account number NL06 SNSB 0939 3191 44 BIC No. SNSB NL 2A, t.n.v. Stichting Casa-Gambia-Nederland.

Do you have any questions about our organisation, sponsoring or our activities, please feel free to contact us via email, phone, or whatsapp on one of the following numbers in this letter. See our website www.Casa-Gambia.org and www.facebook.com/StichtingCasaGambia

We are also happy to meet you in a personal contact to give a further explanation on our plans and our possible cooperation within this project in the future.

Together we can do this job.

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Better Education
the **FUTURE** of The **Gambia**
CASA Gambia
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Thank you for your time, attention and support.

Best regards,

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