STICHTING **CASA GAMBIA** – NEDERLAND

Annual Report 2025

2025 was a difficult year for Stichting CASA Gambia Nederland. For the second year in a row, income declined, while repeated cyberattacks on our website caused significant disruption and increased operational costs.

At the same time, 2025 was a year that demonstrated the value of perseverance and long-term commitment. In The Gambia, three community markets were successfully completed and handed over to their communities. These markets were made possible through the €134,000 raised together with donors and partners in 2020 and 2021. They now provide new opportunities for local traders, particularly women, to build sustainable livelihoods and strengthen local economies.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Francine Simons-Hendriks, who co-founded CASA Gambia Nederland together with Ebrima Jatta in 2016 and has been a driving force behind the organisation for almost ten years. Her contribution, energy and belief in community-led development have left a lasting mark on CASA.

Looking ahead, we are encouraged by the progress made in The Gambia, where preparations for CASA's 10th anniversary in 2026 are already underway. This milestone offers an opportunity to reflect on a decade of partnership, learning and impact, while continuing our commitment to empowering communities to shape their own future.

INCOME

General donation : These are donations to the foundation without specifying a specific purpose. The foundation board decides how these funds are spent.

Garage sale income : Due to the our board member leaving, there was no Garage Sale this year. This fundraising activity will not be organised anymore.

Labelled Donations

Sponsor a child is an ongoing project in which we ask you to sponsor a child for € 5 per month. The donation is generally for children whose parents cannot afford the schooling costs. This year was the first year we added Tree Planting to the campaign. We ask the participating schools to select 20 children from a poor background. This year we could support 100 children through donations from all our backers.

EXPENDITURE

Bank costs and interest : these are transaction costs, administration costs and use of the debit card.

Website and marketing : This year our website was hacked 3 times, which cost considerable funds. Because of it we decided to move to another hosting provider.

Sponsor a Child Cost : This is a payment for a uniform, 2 pairs of shoes, 2 pairs of socks and a back-pack with educational materials for children whose parents cannot afford it. For each child one tree was plated at the school and one at their home. Last year that was for 100 children at five different primary schools.

Remark: board member costs: There were no costs related to board members in this financial year. CASA Gambia is run by unpaid volunteers who are entitled to reimbursement of the expenses incurred.

POSSESSIONS

- Paypal : This account was opened to make it easier for donors from all over the world to make donations to our foundation.
- Bank balance: showing a favourable balance.
- BigBank: is the savings account

DEBT

- No debts

Responsibility: Fatou Touray (Chair), Pim de Bokx (Treasurer)

Adopted during the board meeting of: 26-02-2026

ANNUAL REPORT

2025

Income & Costs				
INCOME				
General donations	€	293.00		
Garagesale income	€	-		
labelled donations				
Sponsor a child	€	832.14		
			€	1,125.14
COSTS				
Bank costs & interest	€	-212.84		
Transport Gered Gereedschap	€	-551.00		
Laptops Team	€	-550.00		
Website & marketing	€	-468.27		
Sponsor a Child costs	€	-1,737.36		
			€	-3,519.47
Result (deducted from reserve)			**€**	**-2,394.33**

Assets & Debts				
ASSETS				
BigBank balance 31/12	€	3,414.81		
Paypal balance 31/12	€	28.28		
Bank account 31/12	€	120.30		
Total Posessions			**€**	**3,563.39**

APPROVED

At the Board Meeting of 26-02-2026

BUDGET

2026

Income & Costs				
INCOME				
General donations	€	300.00		
labelled donations				
Sponsor a child - My Tree	€	1,000.00		
			€	1,300.00
COSTS				
Bank costs & interest	€	-200.00		
Website & marketing	€	-200.00		
Transport Gered Gereedschap	€	-300.00		
Sponsor a Child costs	€	-1,500.00		
Tree Planting	€	-250.00		
			€	-2,450.00
RESULT (deducted from reserve)			**€**	**-1,150.00**

ADOPTED

At the Board Meeting of 26-02-2026