NEVALAK FOUNDATION

Every child who can learn should learn!!



Annual Report 2022

Preface

It is not self-evident for a child in Ghana to receive an education. The Government of Ghana has made it possible for every child to have access to basic education through free tuition. However, there are still exceptions to basic education enrolment by some people due to other costs involved aside from the free tuition. Some of these are examination fees, administration charges, printing fees, cost of textbooks, among others. Also, after the basic level, transitioning to higher levels is another major challenge students face, leading to a high rate of school dropouts. The main reason for these challenges is not entirely the low academic performance of the students but mainly the parent's and guardians' inability to afford the education of their wards. This reason even accounts for the poor performance of some students after their educational transitioning stages to the higher level.

Aside from education, most communities lack major community infrastructure such as good drinking water, electricity, and health and care facilities. These two key challenges stated above (low education rate and low community development as well as poor health access) are generally observed in the Northern part of Ghana

Nevalak foundation, in its capacity, seeks to provide its quota to the growth of these sectors in the Northern region through intervention projects, among others. When we help develop the talents and qualities of the children in the community and provide the necessary community-based amenities, progress is made in children, the community, and broadly the country.

The 2022 annual report is special because it happens to be the year where, as a foundation, we embarked on several projects, key among them was the scholarship scheme establishment and enrolment. We also raised funds to sponsor all projects we embarked on and establish fruitful working relationships with our Ghanaian and Dutch partners and volunteers. We would therefore like to present to you our annual report for 2022.

If you have any questions after reading the report, we cordially invite you to email them to.

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General Information about the Nevalak Foundation

The Nevalak foundation was founded on the 27th of July 2020 and is resident in the Netherlands.

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1. Board of Directors message

2. Introduction

In front of you is the annual report of the Nevalak Foundation. This annual report provides an overview of the objective and the developments that have taken place within our organization in the year 2021. It also describes the difficulties the foundation has encountered. The Board of Nevalak Foundation is proud to present this annual report.

We present various topics in this annual report. We start in chapter 2 with an explanation of the Nevalak Foundation. In chapters 3 to 5, we discuss the current matters concerning the Foundation and activities that the Nevalak Foundation has organized within the year. In chapter 6, we highlight financial accountability. We close this annual report with a conclusion and a look ahead of upcoming projects and the new financial year of the foundation.

To read more about Nevalak Foundation, visit our website: www.nevalakfoundation.org.

On behalf of the board, we thank you for your support and reading this annual report.

2 The Nevalak Foundation

2.1 Policy

The foundation chooses the following policies to help us attain our foundational goals and mission.

- Education support for talented but needy children
    - The child must be motivated to learn and study;
    - The child is sufficiently capable of intelligence;
    - The child is between 6 and 25 years of age;
    - Boys and girls, but some privileges are given to girls to encourage them;
    - The child is in good health;
    - The parents/guardians of the child agree to the financial support of Nevalak Foundation;
    - The parents/guardians of the child are not well enough or not able to care for the child themselves financially;
- Education support to schools
    - The schools must be less endowed;
    - Must be located in a less-privileged community;
    - School authorities must provide to the foundation the materials they need our support for;
    - The school authority must justify why they need those items listed;
    - The board together with our partners decide on which items the schools need;
- Community development
    - The community must be less-privileged;
    - Must be lacking basic social amenities;
    - A community deliberation with Nevalak to find out which projects are their priority;
    - A decision is made by the board and partners on which projects to support within the community.

3 Administration

3.1 Board administration (Netherlands)

The is mandated to make decisions for the foundation. As board members, we are always busy learning, working, and making board decisions for the Foundation. We also have Ghanaian partners whom we collaborate with to execute projects. We listen to advice from friends and donors of the foundation as well. We go with what works best in the foundation's interest and the community or personnel involved.

3.2 Ghanaian administration

The partnership in Ghana consists of active members supporting as partners to the course of the foundation

- Kelly King James (Partner and main correspondent in Ghana)
- Samuel Njomaba (Partner and main correspondent in Northern Ghana)

3.3 Cooperation between Dutch and Ghanaian Administration

The cooperation between the Dutch board and Ghanaian partners is important for the functioning of the Foundation. The Ghanaian partners take an active stance in investigating which communities and children should be given support by the foundation. They also coordinate all activities within the community, engaging with stakeholders on the ground and executing projects on behalf of the foundation.

The partners in Ghana and the board do not receive any compensation for their commitment to the foundation; the various positions are unpaid. Only the travel expenses and any expenses incurred on behalf of the foundation are reimbursed.

4 Nevalak Foundation's Activities

4.1 Activities

During the year 2021, various activities took place within the Nevalak Foundation.

4.1.1 Setting up Structures

The board of the Nevalak foundation at the beginning of 2021 decided to have a robust structure that will facilitate our administration. The structure we proposed was supposed to be Board, Partners, and Working Groups. After this consideration by the board, we put forward invitations to our networks with certain technical skills that can be brought on board. Fortunately, they accepted our invitation to either partner with or serve as a working group for the foundation.

4.1.2 Meeting with Partners, Working Groups, and the Board

On the 10th of April, we had our maiden meeting with the Partners and working groups. At this meeting, the foundation's vision, mission, and intended projects were presented to the partners and working groups. The partners and working groups were given certain roles and responsibilities they would have to undertake within the structures of the foundation. At the end of the meeting, certain agreements were made; for instance, constantly updating partners and working groups. There should be frequent meetings, among others.

4.1.3 Forming Networks and Partnerships

In our quest to find grounds as a baby foundation, we needed to learn from the experiences with existing foundations and form networks with them. We reached out to foundations like Stichting Trust in Unity, Tumi Ghana, Adamfo Ghana, Harambee foundation, and Spectrum, Wageningen. There is now a cordial relationship with these foundations, who have assured us of their support when the need arises. This is very important for Nevalak because we believe in collaboration to support more people.

4.1.4 Partnership with Spectrum

Within the same year, 2021, Nevalak Foundation partnered with Spectrum Wageningen to raise funds to support our mission and vision. Spectrum acquired a Bakfiet to help raise funds for Nevalak Foundation. Students in Wageningen University & Research who use the Bakfiets to transport their items give some little donations to spectrum, which is given to Nevalak to support the foundation's activities. Spectrum is also ready to provide other forms of support to the Foundation. Nevalak is grateful to Spectrum for this partnership, and we are always glad to continue to work with Spectrum Wageningen to achieve our aims.



4.1.5 Acquisition of Desktop computers and Machines for Nevalak

We are happy to also share with you that as part of the provision of quality education in the Northern part of Ghana, we have acquired a few desktop computers, which will be sent to some selected basic schools in the region.





4.1.6 The Road to B.E.C.E Project-2021

On the 22nd of October 2021, the Nevalak Foundation embarked on our first project. The "Road to B.E.C.E project" (B.E.C.E) is a final examination written at the basic school level before proceeding to High School. We donated study materials such as exercise books, pens, mathematical sets, and sanitary pads to a total of 400 students preparing to write their final examination and their teachers in the Lungni community: a small town in the Nanumba South District of Northern Region, Ghana. The schools we visited to embark on these donations include.

- Kanjo RC – 24 students and 7 staff
- Montanaya – 45 students and 7 staff
- Immaculate – 27 students and 7 staff
- Morning Star – 60 students and 14 staff
- Holy Trinity – 50 students and 9 staff
- Lungni DA JHS A – 67 students and 9 staff
- Lungni DA JHS B – 57 students and 9 staff

Our team also took it upon ourselves to engage with the students to advise them on the essence of the project and the importance of education in the community as well as the country at large. These words boosted the confidence of the students and we expect an improvement in the overall performance of these students. The Nevalak foundation will continue to follow the progress of these students after the examination.









4.1.7 Visit to Lungni by foreign Friends of Nevalak

Another major activity that happened in the year under review is when Theo and Marco, friends of Nevalak from the Netherlands, decided to visit Ghana. Thus, the community we have chosen to start with our projects. One board member (Elisha) and a volunteer (Elishadai) accompanied them.

Part of their visit was to see for themselves the community's problems and provide support to the Nevalak foundation to carry out our projects. They visited Lungni (our target community) on the 13th of December 2021. A meeting was held on the 14th of December 2021. Present in this meeting were the community representatives. Mainly, the meeting was to discuss the community's most pressing needs and how Nevalak could best support them and visit some social structures within the community. This meeting was successful, and we gathered much information on the ground regarding the community's needs. Our friends were happy to support the foundation.







5 Financial Accountability

NEVALAK FOUNDATION STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AS AT 31.12.2021	
Revenue	
Members contribution	550,00
Donors contribution	4.744,75
Refunds received into account	465,07
Other income	50,00
investment income	
Total income	**5.809,82**
Expenses	
Admin expenses	601,53
Project execution expenses	3.774,55
Cost business expenses	83,12
Total expenses	**4.459,20**
Excess of revenues over expenses	**1.350,62**
Fund balances bf	1.032,44
Fund balances at year end	**2.383,06**

6. Sponsors and Donors

The existence of the Nevalak Foundation and the pursuit of the organization's purpose depends on raising revenue. It turns out that this is not an easy task. We have been fortunate to have many regular donors and random donors. Some of them have supported us from day one, and others have joined over time. Together they ensure that our mission and vision are achieved. As an organization, we appreciate it very much.

Below you will find our donors and people who have helped this year with individual donations to Nevalak Foundation. We are grateful for all contributions that have been donated. We would also like to mention their names below.

- Theo Verjeigen (Donor)
- Marco Pesch (Partner)
- Spectrum – Rev. Josine Van der Horst (Doner)
- Eunice Elorm Ativi (Volunteer)

7 Activities for the year 2022

In 2022, we wish to embark on the projects outlined below.

- Support the Health Facility in Lungni, Northern Ghana, with major health equipment of which they are lacking to improve health care in the community (Project already in progress)
- Set up a scholarship scheme to support talented but needy students who just sat for their final Basic School Examinations (B.E.C.E) in the schools we supported with study materials in the "Road to B.E.C.E project"
- Training workshop to equip teachers with various skills will be organized within the Lungni community
- Start a mentorship program in the Lungni community to encourage young people in the community (especially females)

8 Conclusion

It has been an eventful year for Nevalak Foundation. Because this foundation has been in existence for only one and a half years and the activities that transpired within the year. We can say significant progress and achievements have been made. The “road to B.E.CE project” meant a lot to us as a foundation and the community as well as the students whose lives were touched. For us, this project serves as fuel to drive other significant projects of the foundation. The visit of our friend to our project site will also contribute significantly to helping us raise funds to support projects the foundation plans to carry out.