



MaSe Foundation Annual Report (2025)

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Introduction and Appreciation

We would like to express our gratitude to all individuals, churches, and companies, who supported MaSe Foundation throughout 2025. Your commitment and generosity have made a meaningful difference in the lives of the children and communities we serve. Because of your support, at least 34 children in Uganda were able to access education and care that would otherwise have been out of reach.



We extend our sincere appreciation to Streekverband de Tien for their trust and commitment in supporting our mission over the next three years. We are likewise grateful to the Protestant Gemeente of 's-Gravenzande, whose church collections in the past year contributed a total of €2,966.35 in support of our work. We also wish to acknowledge the Council of Churches of 's-Gravenzande for organizing the Christmas Eve service in 2024 and for generously donating the full proceeds of €1,043 to MaSe Foundation. In addition, we express our appreciation to Kringloopwinkel De Recycling 's-Gravenzande for their generous contribution of €1,560 during the past year. Finally, we are deeply grateful to the many private donors who have supported our work through both regular and one-time contributions. Every donation, regardless of its size, has made a meaningful and lasting impact. This continued support strengthens our commitment and enables us to pursue sustainable change within the communities we serve.

General Situation

The global decline in development aid continues to affect vulnerable communities, making survival increasingly difficult for many families. In the region where we operate in Uganda, most people live on less than one dollar a day and face daily challenges in meeting their basic needs, including food, healthcare, and education.



For many families, sending children to school is simply not affordable. As a result, children often miss out on education, limiting their future opportunities. At the same time, education remains one of the most powerful tools for breaking the cycle of poverty. By gaining knowledge and practical skills, children are better equipped to contribute to their families and communities.

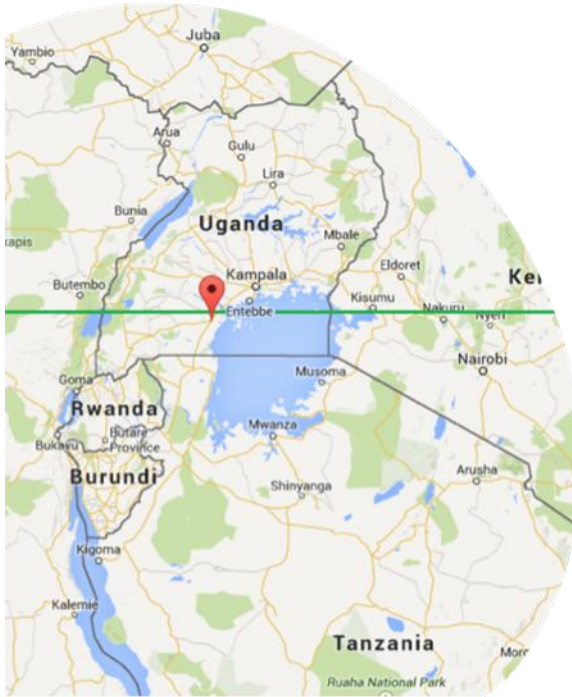
In the communities we serve, access to education is extremely limited and the general level of literacy is low. It is therefore a significant milestone when young people can complete their education and return as skilled individuals, such as teachers, mechanics, or nurses, who can support and uplift their own communities. We strongly believe in the strength and resilience of local communities, and we see education as the key to long-term, sustainable development.

Mission and Vision

MaSe Foundation is committed to creating opportunities for vulnerable children by providing access to education. Our vision is a future in which every child has the chance to develop their talents, build a meaningful life, and contribute positively to society.

Area of Work

Our work is focused in Kampungu Kalisizo, a remote area where no other aid organizations are active. The lack of support in this region makes our presence especially important. The community faces a wide range of challenges that affect daily life and long-term development.



Food insecurity is a major issue, as many families do not have consistent access to sufficient and nutritious meals. This is worsened by the effects of climate change, including prolonged droughts and unpredictable rainy seasons, which reduce agricultural productivity and lead to poor harvests. Since most families depend on agriculture for their livelihood, these conditions make it difficult to sustain themselves.



Access to education is also limited, with low enrolment and completion rates. Many adults are unable to read or write, and many young people have never attended school. This often leads to unemployment or situations of exploitation. Healthcare services are virtually absent in the area, contributing to high mortality rates among both the elderly and young children. Social challenges such as early marriages and teenage pregnancies are also common, further limiting opportunities for young girls.

Our Work

MaSe Foundation is dedicated to supporting and protecting vulnerable children. We encounter many children in difficult circumstances, including neglect and exploitation, and although we cannot help everyone, we are committed to making a difference wherever possible.



Our primary focus is on education. We support children by providing them with the opportunity to attend school, either in boarding schools or in private day schools within their communities. For families who are unable to afford these costs, we cover school fees as well as essential items such as uniforms, learning materials, and transportation.

In addition to financial support, we place strong emphasis on guidance and personal attention. Our volunteers maintain close contact with each child, their family, and their school to ensure that they receive the support they need. This approach creates a safe and supportive learning environment where children can develop their talents and build confidence.



Achievements in 2025

The year 2025 was marked by meaningful progress in our education program. Through our “Sponsor a Child” project, we supported 34 children, equally divided between boys and girls, across different levels of education ranging from nursery to university. All these children were able to attend school consistently throughout the year, without interruption.

| 2025 | Basisschool | Middelbare School | Vervolgonderwijs | Totaal |
|--------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Meisjes | 11 | 3 | 3 | 17 |
| Jongens | 13 | 3 | 1 | 17 |
| Total | 24 | 6 | 4 | 34 |

One of the most inspiring milestones was the graduation of Peace on 25 October 2025. She completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education, specializing in Fine Art. Her achievement reflects the long-term impact of our work. She is now actively contributing to MaSe Foundation by supporting training activities for other sponsored children, demonstrating how education can create a cycle of empowerment within the community.



Peace, second from right during MaSe day

Another success story is that of Allan. After completing his secondary school education (made possible by MaSe Fondation), he received a scholarship from the Ugandan government. He is currently studying in Hungary, pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering. Allan’s journey began with the opportunity to attend school and discover his talents. He quickly stood out for his dedication and eagerness to learn. With the support of MaSe Foundation and committed sponsors, he was able to steadily build his future step by step.

Along the way, there were also challenges. In addition to his studies, Allan had to find solutions for his daily expenses on his own. Nevertheless, he remained calm and

determined to keep going. With courage, he applied for a government scholarship, an action that once again changed his life. Allan's story powerfully shows what can grow when someone is given an opportunity. It is a beautiful reminder that small acts of support can grow into a future full of possibilities.



Allan before his flight to Hungary in 2025

In addition to education, we continued our support for elderly community members and caregivers of sponsored children. During Christmas and Easter, we provided food packages to ensure that these families could celebrate these important occasions with dignity.

Our annual MaSe Day once again brought together children, caregivers, and community members. This event provided an opportunity to raise awareness on topics such as education, health, hygiene, and child development. It also created a platform for children to express themselves through music, dance, and drama, helping them build confidence and showcase their talents.



Yearly MaSe-day celebration

Update on Beekeeping Project

Last year, we shared our plans to introduce income-generating activities aimed at reducing the community's dependence on external support and promoting long-term sustainability. One of the key initiatives identified was a beekeeping project.

Although the project has not yet commenced due to limited funding and a shortage of volunteers in the Netherlands to help initiate the process, significant preparatory work has already been undertaken. We have visited several organizations in the Netherlands with successful beekeeping initiatives, including Imkerij De Honningpot. In addition, we attended a beekeeping course (Kennismakingscursus Bijenhouden 2025) at the same institute and visited a beekeeping museum in the Netherlands. These experiences have provided valuable theoretical and practical insights into the project.



In Uganda, we have established contact with local beekeepers to learn from their experiences and gain a deeper understanding of how such projects are managed in practice. Through this exchange of knowledge, we have developed a clear understanding of the time, resources, and level of commitment required. We have also identified best practices, potential challenges, and the materials needed to successfully establish and maintain beehives.



Furthermore, we have connected with experienced trainers in Uganda who will be able to provide hands-on training to community members. This thorough preparation has significantly strengthened our readiness, ensuring that once funding becomes available, the project can be implemented effectively. The beekeeping initiative holds strong potential to generate income, support environmental sustainability, and enhance self-reliance within the community

Financial Report

The financial reporting period runs from January 1 to December 31, 2025, with comparative figures from the previous year. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the guidelines for small fundraising organizations and are presented in euros.

| Income | Actuals 2025 |
|---|---------------------|
| Remaining balance 2024 | € 11.255,88 |
| Structural donations individuals | € 3.642,15 |
| Structural donations companies | € - |
| One-time donations individuals | € 1.642,12 |
| One-time donations companies | € 2.360,00 |
| one-time donations Churches | € 17.409,35 |
| Donations project 1 (Christmas food basket) | € 2.220,03 |
| Donations project 2 (MaSe day) | € - |
| Total income | € 38.529,53 |
| Expenses | |
| Direct costs project 1 (Christmas food baskets, MaSecday, printer and computer) | € 2.440,00 |
| Direct costs project 2 (Easter food Baskets) | € 800,00 |
| Direct costs Project 3 (Children's education) | € 13.600,00 |
| Bank costs | € 297,70 |
| Transaction costs | € 84,00 |
| Board/administrative costs | € - |
| Website & mail costs | € - |
| Insurance costs | € 326,70 |
| Other expenses | € 142,15 |
| Total expenses | € 17.690,55 |
| Income - expenditure | € 20.838,98 |

Explanation:

In 2024, Stichting MaSe had a closing balance of €11,255.88. This balance represents the amount the foundation had remaining at the end of 2024, which was carried over into the following year, 2025. In 2025, Stichting MaSe received a total of €27,273.65 in donations. These donations came from various sources, including individual donors, churches, and corporate sponsors.

When we combine the opening balance (€11,255.88) with the donations received in 2025 (€27,273.65), the total income for the foundation in 2025 amounts to €38,529.53. This total includes all financial resources available to the foundation during 2025, including church donations received at the end of the year in December.

Part of this amount was spent on school fees and school supplies for the children (€13,600). Another portion was used for food packages for the elderly and caregivers of the children during Christmas, Easter, and MaSe Day (€3,382.15). Finally, the foundation spent €708.40 on insurance, banking, and transaction costs in 2025. The total expenses for the year 2025 amounted to €17,690.55.

After deducting the expenses from the income, the foundation retained €20,838.98 at the end of the year. This amount is considered the remaining balance for 2025 and will be carried forward to the 2026 balance sheet.

To further improve financial management in Uganda, we invested in a computer and printer to support administrative tasks. This will contribute to better record-keeping, transparency, and efficiency.

Challenges

Despite the progress made, we continue to face several challenges. In Uganda, the need for support far exceeds our capacity. Many children qualify for assistance, but limited resources mean that difficult choices must be made, leaving some without support.



The remote nature of the area also presents logistical challenges. The lack of electricity and internet makes communication between Uganda and the Netherlands difficult at times, and addressing this issue would require significant investment.

In the Netherlands, our team faces capacity constraints due to other responsibilities. While we are committed to building a sustainable organization, we would greatly benefit from additional support. We therefore invite individuals who have a connection to Uganda or a passion for development work to join our team and contribute to our mission.

Closing Statement

The past year has shown what can be achieved through collaboration, commitment, and shared purpose. While challenges remain, the progress we have made together gives us confidence for the future.

With your continued support, we will keep working towards a world where every child can learn, grow, and build a better life.

If you have any questions, or would like to support us or volunteer, please visit our website

www.stichtingmase.com