



ANNUAL REPORT 2015

WHAT IS OUR AIM?

Biblionef offers children all over the world the opportunity to read. We help to set up small libraries, we train teachers and we translate children's books into the minority languages of Africa.

WHO ARE OUR TEAM?

Two professional staff, a large group of enthusiastic volunteers and the many friends and sponsors of Biblionef all give their support in various ways. Together we managed to make 2015 another year in which we were able to help a large number of children to enjoy reading.

WHAT DID WE DO IN 2015?

We managed to acquire more funds in 2015 than in the previous year. We used these funds to ship over 65,000 books from the Netherlands to 21 countries.

As a result, 175,000 children had the opportunity to read children's books.

SPECIAL FACTS FOR 2015

In Tanja Pijnenburg we found a great representative for Biblionef on Bonaire. In 2015 she distributed 3,186 books among schools and organizations on Bonaire. We now have local representatives in Surinam, Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao.

GIVE EVERY CHILD THE JOY OF READING, BOOKS OPEN UP THEIR WORLD!

WAT OTHER IMPORTANT ACHIEVEMENTS?

- In Ghana we organized 3 training courses in 'library management and reading motivation for children".
 During these two-day sessions we trained teachers in such skills as, how to increase their pupils' interest in books. 62 schools participated in these training sessions.
- The book *Brenda has a little dragon in her blood* was translated into 6 local Ghanaian languages. The booklet tells the story of a little girl infected with HIV. The books will be distributed by our local office in Ghana.
- In March 2015 Biblionef Ghana held its first Reading Festival to raise awareness of the importance of reading and to promote interest in reading.
- Our local representatives on Aruba have been distributing books for Biblionef for 15 years.
- We shipped our first pallet with books to Uganda. With help from a local school, Biblionef was able to distribute books to many other schools in Uganda.
- We broadened our collaboration with local publishers.





MILESTONE FOR BIBLIONEF

Since its foundation, Biblionef has distributed 800,000 books and reached over a million children.

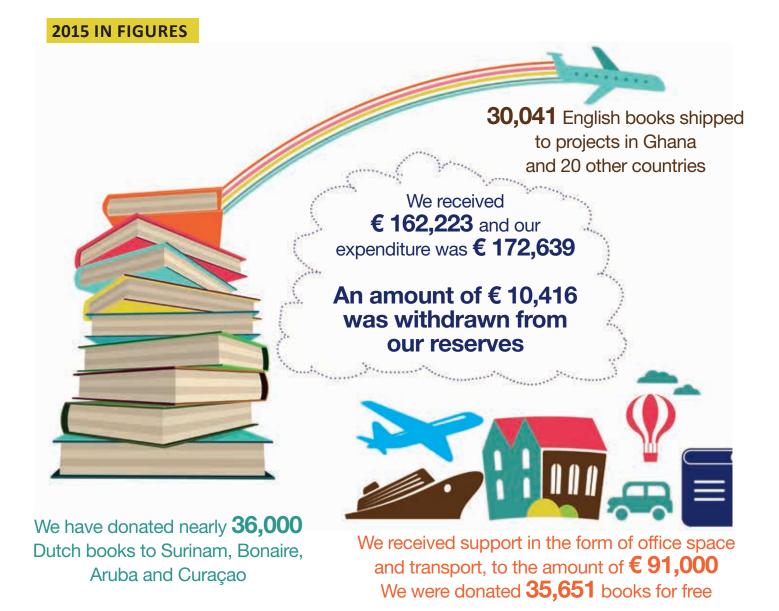
WHAT CAN BE IMPROVED?

We want to set up more Biblionef sister associations. As this goal is behind schedule, we have to find substantial partners who can help us achieve this aim. We need to strengthen our relationship with organizations that might be able to help us to distribute children's books in such countries as Uganda and Liberia.

OUR AIMS FOR 2016

In 2016 Biblionef wants to:

- continue the support to set up local libraries;
- expand activities in Liberia and Uganda;
- train more teachers;
- continue to ship children's books to Surinam, Aruba, Curaçao, Bonaire, Africa and Asia;
- make translations of the famous Cat & Dog booklets into 6 Ghanaian languages;
- set up a Learning Community Space in Ghana;
- strengthen the bonds with our international sister organizations.



IN 2015 AROUND 100,000 CHILDREN WERE ABLE TO READ A BOOK THANKS TO

****** 25 volunteers p p p p p p p p p p

2 large sponsors:

The National Library of the Netherlands (KB): office space and storage CB: storage and transport of books in the Netherlands

77 business partners

4 ambassadors

1 managing director

1 operational manager

5 honorary board members

260 private donors



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