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YKPA serves disadvantaged children in Bali Indonesia. We focus on street children and the disabled, with an emphasis on helping girls through residential and outreach programs by giving them safety, education, skills, and caring as a registered non-profit organization and orphanage. For more detailed information on our projects, please visit our website at www.ykpa.org.

YKPA Survival: Letter from the Founder

I know many of you have been deeply touched by these special kids, and many of you have personally supported one or all in many different and important ways. Thank you!

We don't want to have to tell our orphanage children to go back to the streets, but a new law in Indonesia could make us do just that. The law requires orphanages to own the land they use, or close down! After we've worked hard at changing the 'culture of begging' among some in Bali, giving more and more children a chance at a productive life, YKPA now has one year to raise \$110,000 USD, or close. Last year, the 'emergency' we overcame was to obtain the rent payment on the property, or close. The global community helped us meet that. Fortunately, that contract permits us applying that money towards the purchase price we must now meet.

Help us help these children finally have a safe home. Pass this newsletter on to your friends with a personal note about why you support our work in Bali. We hope it will meet those persons who have the financial resources, or those with the skills to reach them.

Warm regards,

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YKPA starts a Women's Shelter

Putu recently met Wayan (not her real name), is pregnant and the mother of our newest child. Wayan and her child were referred to us by the police as both have serious social and physical problems, and no support. The child is now in residence with YKPA, and Wayan is now the first resident in our new women's shelter / skills training project. The shelter is simply a rented room, but will expand, one woman at a time as we find temporary sponsors. This project plans on helping women become stabilized, while learning a skill, such as making YKPA handicraft dolls and other skills training.

Please consider helping Wayan by sponsoring her new start at life with a donation of any amount. Total costs are \$55 USD a month.



Dutch Foundation for YKPA Stichting Terima Kasih

Mathanja Blok is a young woman from Holland who volunteered with YKPA in 2009. Her experiences changed her life, and prompted her to help these children by starting a Dutch foundation supporting YKPA. After much work, the Foundation is now official, and Mathanja, her mother and



friends are now actively promoting and fundraising in Holland to help our children. The Foundation is named **Stichting Terima Kasih**. Please visit the website at <http://www.stichtingterimakasih.nl/>, and support her efforts.

Bedankt Mathanja !

First YKPA children graduate

We wish to congratulate the three YKPA children who have successfully passed their exams and now have risen to the level of junior high school. This is a remarkable achievement considering the children had no previous schooling two years ago when they first came to YKPA, and after having only worked on the streets for many years.

The three children are Pasik, Risky, and Tista.



Risky



Pasik



Tista

Beach School banned!

The project we first started with in 2007, and the avenue by which many street children have found us is our Beach School. This school classes on the beach served many children to learn reading and math basics, and many to eventually live in the YKPA orphanage.

Several months ago, the local government leader of Legian tourist area decided to cancel permission for this project without discussion, a rational or alternative. We have tried to approach him various times, and written letters without a response.

We are searching for a means of developing negotiations, or find another suitable beach spot for classes, or maybe it's time to open a store-front drop-in center in the Kuta/Legian tourist area. Please contact us if you have suggestions on this situation.

Bus needed

Our first car is a beach runner type, with open sides in the back, and very fun for the kids, only it only holds 10, and that's jammed. We now have 21 - 23 children regularly, and the vehicle is breaking down. We can no longer count on it to safely get the children to school, activities, and performances. We need a used 20+ capacity tourist transport-like bus.



\$22,000 would purchase one, but that's all we have in the bank, and are saving the funds to buy the property. Please sponsor a seat on the bus, one of the wheels, the steering wheel, or whatever you wish. Any contribution is gratefully welcomed. Donors will have their names included on the vehicles side.

Therapy for Pika



After undergoing many difficult times and four surgeries, finally Pika's conditions have improved. Pika now has a prosthetic leg she is learning to use, walking for the first time unaided by crutches. She is progressing in school and learning to read. Volunteers and staff have helped her towards a normal life by attending community events, teaching her English, to swim to sew, and yoga. It is rewarding seeing Pika look so pleased with her accomplishments. This courageous child is an inspiration to many.



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Grand Opening of Changing Live's tourist shop

When in Bali, come and visit our new 'Changing Lives' tourist shop at the Orphanage. Our shop opened in September and offers "adorable" handmade dolls, children's art in the form of attractive greeting cards, Christmas cards, and 2011 calendars with their artwork and brief life stories. Also we have beautiful women's Bali-beautiful clothing donated by Randy Fashions.

Indoyacht Support Charity Event



By special invitation in August, our Director and Secretary attended a charity event held at BPC City Hotel organized by

Indoyacht Support (Dr. Cillian and Mr. Neil).

YKPA received a Distinguish Service Award for our efforts, and the event raised \$5,000 USD for YKPA. We are very grateful to Mr. Neil who organized the event, and also to **SY Naos**, the 'super yacht' which donated \$5000 USD also.



BIWA Sunset Dinner Bazaar

In September, at their annual dinner event, the **Bali International Women Association**, (a non-profit organization devoted primarily to the welfare of women and children in Bali) again gave our children the opportunity to show off their talents by presenting traditional dances of Bali. This event was held at the Discovery Kartika Plaza Hotel & Villas, and Mrs. Governor of Bali was present at this event! We were also able to sell our children's-art greeting cards, and dolls to the members. We are very proud of the children and thank BIWA for showcasing their talents in the arts.



A Christmas card for you

The children know that Christmas is an important ceremony for people in other countries, so wish to thank you for your supporting their lives by sending you a Christmas card. The card is available for download and printing on our homepage. www.ykpa.org



A VERY BIG THANK YOU



Finally we would like to say a very-big-thank-you-very-much for the many donors who have given towards YKPA survival and growth, especially:

- Dr. Cillian and Mr. Neil Indo Yacht Support for \$5,000 award
- Super Yacht SY Naos for \$5,000 donation
- Dan Artist SY Naos
- Bali International Women's Association assistance
- BASAID organization for \$5,000 urgent basic furnishings grant
- Mario and Cinzia for the childrens visit to Eco Bali
- Mario, Alexandra, and the many others for swimming opportunities for the children
- Amy and Jodi O'Connor for their 2nd attempt to raised money by swimming 16 km on Kuta beach
- Ni Lah from Bali for Kids Magazine
- Yantin as our advisor
- Bruce Sherratt from BCAC (Bali Center for Artistic Creativity) for painting invitation
- Lesley for teach children to love nature
- Donors to our 'Buy A Brick' Facebook Causes page
- All you sponsors who support the kids life expenses
- And for all the donors that we can not mention one by one