

BREADFRUIT HOUSE DOMINICA FOUNDATION



ANNUAL REPORT
2023 IN EURO



GENERAL INFORMATION

The Foundation was established on October 18, 2017, and the Articles of Association were last amended on February 24, 2022. The Foundation is ANBI certified in the Netherlands as of December 14, 2021.

OUR BOARD

Chair	Ms. Marieke van Asten
Secretary	Mrs. Jacqueline Pieters
Treasurer	Mrs. Pamela Vermeulen-Karsseboom

OUR MISSION

Our mission for the Breadfruit House Dominica Foundation is to provide children in Dominica with a warm, welcoming, and safe environment that inspires them to tell their stories through creativity. A place where children can strengthen their self-confidence and develop emotional resilience to become empowered adults.

LOOKING BACK on 2023

As planned, we started the year with two groups in the Breadfruit House. This was a great success, the children loved it and all wanted to come and stay.

However, in May it was brought to our attention that from now on we need permission from the Ministry of Education to host children from government schools in the Breadfruit House.





Together with our local board members, we immediately submitted a written request for permission.

Almost nine months later, despite a personal meeting and numerous phone calls, we still have not received a response.

As a result, as of June, we were no longer allowed to receive children from government schools.

We have contacted private schools, and as of 2024, we can offer the Breadfruit House program to children from private schools.

In addition, we have applied for local registration of Breadfruit House as a non-profit organization in Dominica.

Even though we hosted fewer groups than planned in 2023, we look back on the year positively.

The support from everyone, the generous donations, the enthusiastic response to our postcard campaign, and the sale of Marieke's children's book are heartwarming.

We believe in the power of our program and the positive results we achieve. Together with our local board, we are always thinking of new ways to reach children in Dominica.

DONATIONS and CAMPAIGNS

We are very pleased that so many donors have our best interests at heart and with their generous donations ensure that we can continue our work.

Together they made it possible for us to receive €4,896 in private donations. That is over 122% of our goal of €4,000.

Our exclusive Breadfruit House postcards raised over €328 in December. And the sale of Marieke's children's book "Oliver" raised €246.



In addition, in May we received 18 boxes of donated materials from the Netherlands.

We would like to thank everyone who helped with this, without your help, this would not have been possible.

Finally, we are very grateful to Stichting Jong for their generous donation of €5,000 to the Breadfruit House.

COSTS

Due to changed regulations, we hosted fewer groups than planned in 2023. As a result, variable costs fell behind, while fixed costs continued. Of these, rent for the building was the largest cost.

Because the furnishing of Breadfruit House was done in 2022, we only had to incur some minor expenses, such as replacing a broken speaker. Thanks to material donations from the Netherlands, we purchased almost no materials.

The communication and promotion costs were higher than last year because this included the costs for printing the postcards and the children's book "Olivier".

BALANCE SHEET

Breadfruit House ended 2023 with a small profit of €51.

Our total equity at the end of 2023 was €9,633.61. The short-term debt of €81.97 is the exchange rate difference created by payments to Dominica. This amount will be reimbursed to Marieke in 2024.

All equity is held as cash in both bank accounts at Rabobank.



OUTLOOK for 2024



We are confident that in 2024 we will receive the necessary permission from the Ministry of Education and we will be allowed to receive children from public schools again. Regardless, we will start working with children from private schools, such as children with disabilities.

We hope to be registered as a local non-profit organization this year. This will allow us to gain more local exposure and support. Moreover, local registration is sometimes mandatory for obtaining financial support from funds.

In consultation with our local board and to reach as many children as possible, we are trying to be allowed through the Dominica Teachers Association to be part of the mandatory workshops for elementary school teachers in July.

This will be an introduction to our vision and program. At the end, we will offer them a 2-day training so that teachers themselves can implement our program in their own schools.

Of course they will receive the necessary support for this, such as a handbook, a starter kit with materials and a WhatsApp group to ask questions etc.

We are committed to making 2024 another success. May we count on your help?

You can help by:

- Ordering a copy of Marieke's children's book on Amazon, using this link: <https://amzn.eu/d/8gEHU7r>
- Buying a set of exclusive cards from the Breadfruit House collection €9.95. Please not shipping only within the Netherlands. Please contact our treasurer to order:
Email: treasurer@breadfruithouse.com.





- A monetary donation to our bank account is of course also welcome: Breadfruit House Dominica Foundation: NL93RABO0324083432.

Or via this link to the website:

- <https://breadfruithouseDominica.com/how-can-you-help/>

PRINCIPALS for VALUATION and RESULT DETERMINATIONS

The balance sheet has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Unless otherwise stated, assets and liabilities are stated at nominal value.



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Balance sheet as of December 31, 2023

Short term claims	0,00	Equity capital	9,633.61
Rabobank checking account	25.00	Results for the year	51.69
Rabobank savings account	<u>9,742.27</u>	Equity at year end	9,685.30
		Short-term liabilities	<u>81.97</u>
	9,767.27		9,767.27

Statement of income and expenses for 2023

INCOME

Private donations	4,485.00
Proceeds exclusive Breadfruit House postcards	328.35
Proceeds Marieke's children's book	246.03
Grant from Stichting Jong, the Netherlands	5,000.00
Other revenues	99.50

TOTAL INCOME **10,158.88**

EXPENSES

Rent	6,153.00
Furnishing	886.50
Program costs	608.82
Materials	665.52
Management & Administration	436.38
Bank charges including Exchange rate differences	734.31
Communication & Promotion	622.66

TOTAL EXPENSES **10,107.19**

PROFIT for 2023 **51.69**



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