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## CBR Effata Year Report 2018

### 1. General Information

CBR Effata is a Dutch organization. CBR means Community-Based Rehabilitation, a strategy to support persons with a disability in areas with limited (medical or educational) resources. CBR Effata aims to give awareness and support to people with disabilities in Nigeria and Guinea-Bissau. Website [www.cbr-effata.org](http://www.cbr-effata.org)

CBR Effata Netherlands cooperates with NGO “CBR Effata” in Ebonyi State, Nigeria and “RBC Effata” in Guinea-Bissau. CBR Effata Netherlands is registered as a charity foundation (ANBI) in the Netherlands. The Board and Advisory Committee do not receive income for their activities.

#### Board:

The board in the Netherlands:

Mr. Jurjan Aman (chairman)  
Ms. Corrie Corbijn (secretary)  
Ms. Eline van den Bosse (treasurer)  
Ms. Ellina van Moolenbroek  
Ms. Femmie Lagendijk  
Ms. Mariëtte van Moolenbroek  
Mr. Wim Otte  
Mr. Michel Sinke

#### Advisory Committee

CBR Effata has an Advisory Committee with persons who have experience in the fields of international relations, education, health, CBR, fundraising, security etc.

Mr. Jaap Braaksma  
Mr. Reinier de Blooij  
Mr. Huib Cornielje  
Dr. Teus Dorresteyn  
Ms. Ellen van den Hil  
Ms. Lenard Prins

#### Project Supervisor

Mr. Frank van der Maas is project supervisor for CBR Effata. He initiated several projects in Ebonyi State, Nigeria; most of them are independent now. A Committee of friends takes care for his support (financial, insurance etc) through a group of sponsors.

### 2. Projects started in 2014

CBR Effata was founded in 1996 to help people with disabilities in Ebonyi State, one of the poorest states in Nigeria. Most projects are independent with their own management team and board.

In 2014 a new Inclusive Secondary School started in Nigeria. In the same year a new community-based rehabilitation project started in Guinea-Bissau.

#### Inclusive Secondary “Berea” in Nigeria

In 2014 Inclusive Secondary School “Berea” started to enable deaf students to continue their education. Students with and without disabilities attend the same classes to encourage full integration.

At the end of 2018 the school had a total of 353 students, of whom 110 deaf and 25 with a physical disability (218 of them are non-disabled). Four teachers have a disability.

In 2018 a new exam hall was built. The federal exam committee (WAEC) has approved the school to take national exams in July 2019.

4 new teachers and 5 new interpreters were employed; 1 teacher was dismissed. One teacher received a study grant to study in Switzerland for 3 months.

Books for the library and equipment for the laboratories were purchased. The Dutch organizations "Jars of Clay foundation" and "Board for Special Needs" and the Canadian "Stephanos Development Foundation" supported the school financially.

### **Community-Based Rehabilitation project in Guinea-Bissau**

In 2014 a new CBR-project started in Bissorã, in the North of Guinea-Bissau. At present there are also centers in Bula and Ingoré. Guinea-Bissau is one of the poorest countries in the world and has a relatively high percentage of people with disabilities.

In 2018 we trained 10 new volunteers in the communities. More than 700 persons with a disability were supported with medicines as anti-epileptics, prostheses and wheelchairs. More than 120 youngsters were supported financially in schools; more than 90 of them are deaf.

In close cooperation with a local NGO 150 water tanks (5000 liter) were built and 20 masons trained (4 of them deaf). 30 people with a disability were given micro-credit.

Jars of Clay Foundation and Stephanos Development Foundation supported this project financially.

### **3. Independent projects in Nigeria**

CBR Effata has several independent projects in Ebonyi State, Nigeria:

In Omorodu Iseke: Eye unit, Orthopedic unit and Vocational training unit.

In Onuenyim Iseke: Inclusive Nursery and Primary School "Effata".

In Nwofe Agbaja: Aids Ministry

In Nwofe Agbaja: Inclusive Nursery and Primary School "Bethel"

In Nwofe Agbaja: Water Project "Rehoboth"

#### **Eye unit**

In 2018 an ophthalmologist came 12 times for consultation and operations. Every week our staff went for "Outreach" to the villages to treat patients or refer to the centre of CBR Effata in Omorodu.

45 blind persons received mobility and orientation training at home.

In 2018 we consulted a total of 8.555 patients and performed 452 eye-operations.

#### **Orthopedic unit**

The orthopedic doctor visited CBR Effata 4 times in 2018. The staff visited the 5 outreach centers on a regular base. Totally we had 1.641 consultations and 79 operations (110 procedures).

70 with Cerebral Palsy received support, 39 persons were assisted with crutches and braces, 6 people received a wheelchair and 17 youngsters an artificial limb.

Every month 100 persons received medicines against epilepsy.

Board for Special Needs supported this project financially.

#### **Vocational Training unit**

In 2018 we trained 28 deaf, 1 blind and 13 physical disabled youngsters in vocational skills (like barber, carpenter, welder, and tailor).

13 blind students were supported in the School for the Blind at Iboko, 50 students with a physical disability were supported in mainstream schools in their villages.

Board for Special Needs supported this project financially.

#### **Inclusive Nursery and Primary School "Effata"**

Since 1999 this school provides primary education to deaf children. In 2015 the school became inclusive, which means that students with and without disability attend the same classes.

The total number of students at the end of 2018 is 210, of whom 64 deaf. Three teachers are deaf.



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### **Inclusive Nursery and Primary School “Bethel”**

This school started in 2010. In 2018 the total of students was 456, 25 with a physical disability and 36 orphans from the AIDS Ministry.

### **Aids Ministry**

AIDS Ministry started in 2003. In 2018 we did 692 HIV-tests, 51 people are supported with ARV-drugs, and 43 people came to the monthly support-group meetings. 59 orphans are supported with school fees and food.

A youth camp was organized with 300 teenagers, 170 of them with a disability.

### **Water Project “Rehoboth”**

In 2017 the water project started. In 2018 we built 150 water tanks of 5.000 liter, organized 2 training for 10 masons (4 of them deaf).

Stephanos Development Foundation supported the project financially.