



YKPA Newsletter No.5; July – September, 2009

URGENT UPDATE: Our orphanage must move!

How do we tell an already rescued street child, now attending school, they must return to the street?

Our orphanage children will be losing their home in April 2010 because the rent is going up very high. We only have 7 months, and have started a **RELOCATION FUND** → →

Over the last 1 ½ years, the 14 children have come from the streets to the safety of the Yayasan home and are now in school, learning a skill, and all are getting good care.

Below, you can read about the 'Street Children Dance Group', about the older girls skills training, and the other activities the children are doing. We must keep this important work going.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Our friends estimate it will take between \$80,000 to \$100,000 USD, or the gifting of land or building, to make the move. Maybe we could buy the current house but it is very expensive, maybe buy land and build, step-by-step over time.

Please join our Facebook fundraising page. Sending it to everyone is easy, and the exposure will help us: www.causes.com/balistreetkids

Visit our website www.ykpa.org where we can accept donations online.

THANKS TO OUR DONORS

We are overdue in thanking the many of you who have helped the children in so many ways. Our deepest thanks to you all and please accept our apology if we have not mentioned your name yet!

- **Office computer, and printer/scanner:** Darwin Hospital Emergency Ward Staff (donation in name of Tony Kelly). Many thanks to you all, and to our frequent donor Maria Jacques for facilitating this!
- **Sewing machine & some teaching:** Carl Herman and the Knights of Columbus; facilitated by our regular supporter and donor, Randy Crumbliss
- **More in the next newsletter**



Sewing class

STREET CHILDREN DANCE GROUP

Now that the children are fairly accomplished at Balinese dancing, they are performing at various venues in the area. Their sense of accomplishment, self esteem, and being respected is supporting their recovering from the years of abuse on the streets.

Performances were given at the Garuda Wisnu Kencana Cultural Center, the Asia Intl. AIDS Conference, several restaurants, and the Indonesia National Sai Conference.



Some of the group

DEAF CHILDREN & STREET CHILDREN TOGETHER

YKPA has a new project, having now joined with a group of deaf children and adult teachers who are performing traditional and innovative dance in Bali. YKPA children participate in these performances. Our hope is that through this collaboration, we can expand the opportunities for all these children.

Soon you can see a video clip of their current performance at the Garuda Vishnu Kencana Cultural Center <http://gwk-culturalpark.com/> on the YKPA website www.ykpa.org



NEW ACTIVITIES

Swimming competition training: 3 of the children have attended training at a local pool under the skilled coaching of donor Bruce (NZ) for school swimming competitions.

Drawing and painting class: Donor Jenny (NZ) gives wonderful weekly classes for the especially talented artist children.


Sewing and embroidery training: Started through a donation by the Knights of Columbus. We now have 3 girls in this sewing training from a teacher weekly. Already they are sewing various items and designing some for possible commercial production and then export. Who knows? It's the opening of their minds and the learning of skills that is the most important for these young teens right now!

Very fun English and painting classes occur 2-3 mornings a week by volunteer Simone (Australia), and the children are learning quickly.



Christmas cards



Christmas cards for sale: The children were very happy to paint XMAS cards  to add to the already selling greeting cards. We printed them and they are now selling in small amounts in Holland, Australia and Bali. See www.hbhi.org/ykpaKC.htm

SPONSORING A CHILDS EDUCATION AND LIFE

We are now seeking sponsors for the last 7 of the children.

YKPA's total school and living expenses are approximately \$100 USD/child/mo (\$120 AUD day). This is pieced together from many small donations and the sales of printed copies of the children's artwork. This amount insures the kids have nutrition, health care, good hygiene, and other normal opportunities, and covers the very low costs for staff and volunteers to make sure the child attends school and learns.

- School: \$20 USD/ child / month (Incl., teacher salary, books, backpack, socks, shoes, pens, etc)
- Food: \$50/child/mo.
- Other classes & activities (\$30 USD/child/mo)

We appreciate greatly ANY contributions. We are happy to discuss sponsoring a child by email care4child@ykpa.org or via Skype online.



End of last year school awards

ONLINE DONATING and PURCHASING CHILDRENS ARTWORK PRODUCTS IS NOW AVAILABLE

We can now receive donations online via PayPal, at a low fee to us, and avoid high bank-to-bank transfer costs. We can now receive donations for:

- **Relocation fund** www.hbhi.org/ykpaHYCH.html
- **Sponsoring children** for school or life expenses www.hbhi.org/ykpaSAC.html
- **Purchases** of greeting and XMAS cards and calendars www.hbhi.org/ykpaKB.html

OVERSEAS DONATIONS / TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS

Because many people prefer making donations through a non-profit organization in their home country, we are working towards establishing having partnerships with such organizations in various world regions.

United Kingdom: We now can receive donations from UK residents through Sustainability Partners, our long-term donor. Special thanks to them again for helping us. Please see www.hbhi.org/ykpaHYCH.html.



Sustainability Partners (UK Charity) website excerpt

USA, Australia, and Europe regions are still needed. If you know of a non-profit organization in those countries, please email us at care4child@ykpa.org

A NEW CHILD IN THE ORPHANAGE

We found "Orphan" as he was called, in his village, about 8 yrs old, and totally illiterate. He then joined our orphanage as the first non-street child. He has had no parents for years and was living with his elderly grandmother who could not provide for him. This child worked to eat, by climbing high coconut trees for fruit, and was essentially on his own. Last year he fell, requiring hospitalization. His brothers and sisters live elsewhere, and have ignored him for years.

When he first came to our home, we gave him a real name, "Kadek Prema". Now Kadek is managing the shift from village orphan to city orphanage, to living a cared-for life and learning he doesn't need roughness with other children to get his needs met. He comes to the Yayasan adults frequently for hugs.



"Orphan"

Kadek is happy to have just started Level 1 elementary school, wearing shoes and socks for the first time and already has some friends there. It is remarkable seeing him fit in with the Yayasan children's Dance Group, performing with them around the area. Recently he started performing in front of big audiences with a small part in the GWK Cultural Center performance (see above) with deaf children.

Like the other children, Kadek needs a sponsor to help with the costs of living and school. Please consider helping him. See: www.ykpa.org/ykpaSAC.html

YKPA ONLINE

Facebook pages: We are aiming for 100,000 people hearing about our 'relocation fund' on FB. Please help us by joining our groups there.

- **YKPA organization page, with updates, events and latest photos:** Bali Street Kids Dance Group <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=113384865784&ref=ts>
- **Our fundraising page:** Bali Kids loosing their Orphanage...rent is too high www.causes.com/balastreetkids

YKPA Website: www.ykpa.org