



MUHAMMAD SUBUH  
FOUNDATION

The Foundation of the Worldwide Subud Community

# ANNUAL REPORT

## 2016



SUPPORTING THE WORLDWIDE GROWTH AND  
LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT OF SUBUD

Members are aware that the Foundation honors the name of our founder Bapak Muhammad Subuh Sumohadiwidjojo, who has in the past graced the covers of our Annual Reports. However, this year being the 25th Anniversary of our Incorporation we are pleased to have our respected sister, Ibu Siti Rahayu Wiryojudoyo as our cover photo. We do this in loving appreciation and gratitude for being a charter trustee of the Foundation, then serving 14 years as an honorary trustee as well as for her more recent guidance that has provided direction to the Foundation.

# REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON



## Dear Subud Sisters and Brothers:

As my second full year as Chairperson of the Muhammad Subuh Foundation comes to an end, I feel very positive about the direction in which the Foundation is heading. The Trustees worked hard this past year on various standing committees. Progress was made in many areas due to the constant part-time assistance of

Lucian Parshall, Executive Director,

Lillian Shulman, MSF Administrator, and Elwyn Waugh, Accountant. Since half our trustees rotate every two years, having this continuity is vital to our progress.

In September, the Board met in Salobreña, Spain with the World Subud Council. At that time final candidates for MSF Trustee positions that were open due to rotation were tested and appointed. The Foundation retained Michael Heathcote as its Treasurer/Trustee and Muchsin Silva from Cali, Colombia and Elaina Dodson from Washington D.C., U.S.A were appointed. They will serve a four-year term until 2020.

I speak for all the Trustees in appreciation to the two out-going Trustees, Hannah Baerveldt from Canada/Indonesia. Hannah served as a trustee since 2007. Also to Bachtiar Lorot from Spain, who served as past chairperson and joined the board in 2011. The Foundation is very thankful for their extraordinarily good work and they will be missed.

### The highlights for 2016 included:

- grants to eight centers in five countries,
- substantial bequests and donations permitting housing grant/loan awards totaling USD 108,251,
- significant grants to WSA that assist with international helper travel USD 50,000 and international archives USD 50,000,
- landmark agreement with a strengthened Fundación Amanecer. They became the site managers of the MSF fixed asset which is the Gran Salón at Amanecer, Colombia. The Fundación was granted USD 36,000 for phase 1 renovations. WSA, as part of its 2016 fundraising, has reimbursed MSF USD 11,000 of these expenses since the Foundation had only budgeted USD 25,000 for phase 1,
- discontinuance of the 'Eco-Grants' that were initiated in 2015 to promote environmental improvements at Subud centers. This effort did not receive any applications in 2016 so was shelved for the future due to declining funds,

- approval of a gift acceptance policy and an updated portfolio investment strategy. Both will be reviewed annually. Based on this effort our portfolio had a significant increase in 2016 of over 7%,
- continued reduction of overhead due to cost savings in many areas, travel in particular fell 34% below budget, and
- continued work with our 13 National Liaisons in 12 countries to provide information and presentations about our mission at various national, regional and local events; this promotes awareness and provides local contacts for members for information on how to leave their testament to Subud.

### We look forward to the challenges the Foundation will face in 2017:

we will continue to increase the amount of funds in our portfolio by encouraging donations through members' wills and bequests; we will continue to produce outreach media that will assist members in making their final testaments,

- we will continue to expand and strengthen our program of National Liaisons and produce media that will assist our liaisons in their efforts to communicate the importance of MSF with their countries' members,
- we will continue to seek financial sustainability for the Gran Salón (for which we hold the title) at Amanecer, Colombia, through its management company Fundación Amanecer. The goal is to rent the Salón so it may become a viable enterprise. Our ultimate aim is to transfer its ownership to a local Subud organization that can better manage it over the long term, and
- we will continue to work with WSA towards our common goal; which is the worldwide growth of Subud. The Foundation will retain its proper role as an autonomous support organization that maintains the long-term financial capacity for the Subud community.

If you are not receiving our eNewsFlash (twice a year), please contact Lucian Parshall, our Executive Director at [Lucian.Parshall@gmail.com](mailto:Lucian.Parshall@gmail.com) and he will add your name to our email distribution list.

I am very grateful for the tireless work of all trustees, contracted professionals, national liaisons, translators and other volunteers who made 2016 a very successful year.

And may Almighty God bless our work ahead,

Marston Gregory, Chairperson

**Muhammad Subuh Foundation**

# REALIZING OUR PURPOSE

Subud centers are the core of our experience where we can practice the latihan kejiwaan. Here we can conduct meetings, do latihan together, congregate with visiting brothers and sisters from near or far that often join in. Since 1991, the Foundation has provided multiple awards so that centers around the world can purchase or improve their Subud properties.

Local and national helpers as well as local members also benefit from the visits of our International Helpers, of whom there are six in each of the three areas under which Bapak organized Subud worldwide. The World Subud Association funds their travel and for some years now the Foundation has provided generous grants to WSA to support their vital work.

Our understanding of the nature and working of the latihan has always been guided by Bapak's talks, and more recently by Ibu's. Conservation of recordings of these talks, that are in several different media, is the

task of the International Archives. The Foundation supports the work of its Indonesian namesake Yayasan Muhammad Subuh, to make capital improvements to the conditions of archival storage at Wisma Subud, Cilandak. Other Archives initiatives are supported as well, through Archives grants to WSA, for the benefit of both our current and future membership as well as for humankind.

The original inspiration for the Foundation was the notion that a nucleus of investment funds might be created by testaments from members through their bequests to the Foundation. According to Ibu's 2013 guidance, the Foundation should not fundraise; however, meeting the mission includes conserving and expanding the long-term investments that generate its grant-making ability. Benefactors are remembered with deep gratitude.



*Members gather outside the Subud Alpujarra house in Spain for its grand opening in September 2016*



*Carmita Johnson, Chairperson and Muchtar Johnson, Vice Chair, welcome members to the grand opening of the Subud Canberra house in Australia.*



*Julia Hurd helping Daniela Moneta (Area III archivist) organize the storage facility in Phoenix, Arizona, USA.*



*Area III International Helpers taking a lunch break at a gathering of 78 helpers in the Subud Washington, D.C. Amani Center.*

# SUBUD HOUSES

## 2016 Awards to Subud properties around the world

**In 2016 a total of eight grants and one loan in the amount of USD 108,251 were awarded to the following Subud groups:**

**PPK SUBUD INDONESIA/KULON PROGO, USD 7,462 PLUS USD 6,000**  
To build a Subud house at Kulon Progo, Central Java. USD 25,000 has been collected from the local members. An additional USD 6,000 from MSF is being held by PPK Subud Indonesia.

**SUBUD COLOMBIA/POPAYAN, USD 11,839**  
Awarded for renovations and capital improvements to the kitchen, bathrooms and roof of the Subud house at Popayan.

**SUBUD ITALY, USD 2,500**  
For capital improvements to the Florence Subud house so that it will be more easily rentable for income in the short term.

**YAYASAN SUBUD, USD 8,800**  
To improve the roof and dome of the latihan hall at Wisma Subud, Cilandak, Indonesia. Yayasan Subud manages and maintains certain properties, including the latihan hall and guesthouse at Wisma Subud. USD 2,362 was raised for this purpose from donations of Subud members in Jakarta and around the world.

**SUBUD COLOMBIA/CALI, USD 20,000 GRANT AND USD 40,000 LOAN**  
To build a second floor and renovate the roof and ceiling of the Subud House at Cali, and to purchase an adjacent plot of land.

**SUBUD ALPUJARRA, SPAIN USD 2,650**  
Supplementary grant for floor tiles. This was supplementary to the USD 50,000 Grant awarded in 2015 to build a new Subud house.

**SUBUD COLOMBIA/AMANECER LOCAL GROUP, USD 5,000**  
For Salon Quindio, the local Amanecer Subud group's latihan premises, for roof renovation, structural renovations to entrances and doors, windows, toilets, kitchen, office, electrical repairs, and painting.

**SUBUD PORTUGAL/LISBON, USD 10,000**  
For mortgage payments on the Lisbon Subud house.

### United States

Durham  
Portland  
Seattle  
Sonoma  
Spokane  
Washington DC

### Mexico

Puebla  
Tlaxcala

### Colombia

**Amanecer**  
Bogota  
**Popayán**  
Armenia  
Istmina

### Ecuador

Quevedo  
Quito  
Tumbaco

### Peru

Lima

### Chile

La Florida  
Santiago



Subud houses supported by MSF since 1991



Subud centers supported by MSF 2016

# FISCAL REPORT

## Statement of Activities and Change in Net Assets

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total	Total
	2016	2016	2016	2016	2015
<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>					
Contribution from Subud Members	133,833	43,784	0	177,617	635,716
Dividends & Interest	40,666	34,696	0	75,362	74,585
Realized gains	15,805	13,605	0	29,410	-28,610
Unrealized gains/losses net	104,327	30,657	0	134,984	-180,700
Gains on Foreign Currency exchange rates	1,709	548	0	2,257	-8,608
Management Fee	14,960	-12,960	0	2,000	0
	311,300	110,330	0	421,630	492,383
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	43,331	-43,331	0	0	0
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<b>354,631</b>	<b>66,999</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>421,630</b>	<b>492,383</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Grants for Subud Houses	74,251	0	0	74,251	205,883
Grants for World Subud Association	112,000	0	0	112,000	121,200
Grants Other	0	0	0	0	50,000
Amanecer property costs	43,099	0	0	43,099	7,192
Depreciation Expenses on Long Term Assets	5,475	0	0	5,475	5,475
		0	0		
		0	0		
		0	0		
<b>Total Program Expenses</b>	<b>234,825</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>234,825</b>	<b>389,750</b>
Management and General	101,536	0	0	101,536	114,146
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>336,361</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>336,361</b>	<b>503,896</b>
Change in Net Assets	18,270	66,999	0	85,269	-11,513
Net Assets Beginning of Period	2,345,996	-39,931	1,432,076	3,738,141	3,749,654
Transfer - Inflation uplift		-28,638	28,638	0	0
Net Assets End of Period	2,364,266	-1,570	1,460,714	3,823,410	3,738,141

## Financial Report

	2016	2015
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash	441,612	859,512
Accounts Receivable & Prepayments	43,000	3,216
Investments	3,321,521	2,971,817
Notes Receivable Long Term	0	0
Notes Receivable from Subud Organisations	71,480	37,920
Land and Buildings Net of Accumulated Depreciation	110,322	115,797
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>3,987,935</b>	<b>3,988,262</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Euro Loan	71,723	73,868
Accounts Payable	92,802	176,253
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>164,525</b>	<b>250,121</b>
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>3,823,410</b>	<b>3,738,141</b>
<b>FUNDS</b>		
Unrestricted - General Fund	2,364,266	2,345,996
Unrestricted - Designated as Education Fund	0	0
<b>Total Unrestricted Net Assets</b>	<b>2,364,266</b>	<b>2,345,996</b>
Temporarily Restricted	-1,570	-39,931
Permanently Restricted - Permanent Capital Fund	1,460,714	1,432,076
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>3,823,410</b>	<b>3,738,141</b>

## Seven Year Trend

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Gifts	255,650	15,993	88,680	329,719	760,370	635,716	177,617
Grants	184,199	105,027	92,300	90,000	173,102	377,083	229,350
Assets	3,812,493	3,422,623	3,350,033	3,490,029	3,852,545	3,988,262	3,987,935

# 25TH ANNIVERSARY

The Muhammad Subuh Foundation celebrates its 25th Anniversary (1991-2016) with this annual report. The Foundation had its origins in the mid 1960s when the Chair of the World Subud Association (WSA), **Varindra Vittachi**, **had a special dream:**

*"I saw a big building and on its white marble facade were the words: 'Muhammad Subuh Foundation'. When I entered the building, it seemed to be a formal place like a bank, but instead of money what I saw was a stack of legal documents which turned out to be people's Wills and Testaments in which Subud members had willed a portion of their assets as bequests to the Brotherhood.*

*"I woke up with a strong impulse to see Bapak and ask for instructions about following the meaning of the dream. I flew to Jakarta immediately and told Bapak about this experience."*

*Bapak explained:*

*"Your dream is a true dream. It is right that you start work on establishing such a Foundation to look after bequests of Subud members. But Bapak asks that as long as Bapak is in this world it should not be called the Muhammad Subuh Foundation. Better call it Subud Brotherhood International Foundation (SBIF)."*

SBIF was subsequently established in 1971 and **Bapak further clarified its role:**

*"Thus SBIF is like a go-between, or intermediary body to receive the funds derived from the enterprises of Subud members and distribute them to the various Subud centres for the establishment of latihan premises, guesthouses, hospitals, schools, and the homes required for the old and needy."*

Over time the location of SBIF in Switzerland became problematic and by 1991 was dissolved. At that time (four years after Bapak's passing) the Muhammad Subuh Foundation was legally established to fulfill the role envisaged by Bapak.

Along with MSF, both SDIA and WSA were legally incorporated and WSA began to acknowledge a guardianship responsibility for long-term assets such as: Bapak's house (held by Yayasan Muhammad Subuh), shares in Kalimantan Investment Corporation, the Gran Salon (held by MSF Colombia), shares in PT S Widjojo, among others. The Foundation was identified as the institution to protect and manage these long-term assets on behalf of the Subud community.

Over the past 25 years the Foundation has continued to mature, and its co-guardianship responsibilities on behalf of WSA now form just a small part of MSF's overall duties and assets. The Foundation now holds and manages three permanent endowments, continues to accept bequests and to share the common goal with WSA towards the worldwide growth and long-term development of Subud.

# DONATIONS & BEQUESTS

The Muhammad Subuh Foundation would like to express our sincerest appreciation to all of you who have given to the Foundation in 2016, in addition to the hundreds of members who have donated since MSF's inception in 1991.

## **MSF Donors**

Chris Neff

Rasmini Gardiner – dedicated to her mother, Kadarijah Rosita & Conrad Leuthold

Subud Canada – Estate of A. Moreau

Estate of Henry Herold

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