



## **Policy plan 2017**

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## What is Zambridge Senanga?

The Mission Statement of the Foundation Zambridge Senanga is as follows:

*Promotion of health and well-being of the most disadvantaged groups among the inhabitants of Senanga District, Western Province, Zambia*

The Foundation has been started in 2001 by Dutch people who have worked in Senanga as medical doctor or teacher and who now live and work in The Netherlands. In Senanga the Foundation is represented by a local board.

## Senanga District

Senanga District is situated in the Western Province of Zambia on the river Zambezi, 700 km away from Lusaka, Zambia's Capital. With the exception of the river-beds the land is rather infertile. The local people live on selfsubsistent small scale agriculture and fishing. There is not much tourism, commercial farming or forestry. Besides these poor economic circumstances the area suffers from the hiv/aids epidemics that badly hurts the population. Many children have become orphans and are being cared for by relatives. The government is not able to solve all the problems that are caused by this situation. The population takes own initiatives in order to structurally attack the problems.

## What is Zambridge Senanga doing?

Zambridge Senanga supports the following local initiatives:

- Maxanaedi Basic Community School and the Senanga Orphans Day Care Centre, both of them educating orphans or otherwise disadvantaged children
- Home Based Care for aids patients and education programs about aids

These are long term projects that started with the consent of the local government and have been supported by professionals from the beginning.

For the orphan schools Zambridge Senanga contributes to the school feeding programs and provides educational materials. Zambridge, together with third parties, also finances the extension of these schools.

For the Home Based Care Program and Aids Education Zambridge Senanga contributes to the training activities of the group of volunteers.

## Activities of Zambridge Senanga in 2017

### Maxanaedi Community school

Until 2012 the pupils were taught in the first school building made of mud and wooden poles. Since then several brick buildings have been constructed, partly financed by the *Wilde Ganzen* ('Wild Geese'), that comply with the government requirements for school buildings. A staff house has also been constructed at the school premises. In 2014 the school was extended by another three classrooms, again with the support of *Wilde Ganzen*. In 2016 new toilets were built. Now there are 630 pupils at the school and 13 teachers who are being paid by the government. Zambridge Senanga continues to pay for the school feeding. The possibility to supply the school with solar energy will be examined.

### Senanga Orphans Day Care Centre (SODC)

As this school has been recognized as an official primary school, the Ministry of Education pays the salaries of the 23 teachers. The government however only contributes very little for

the school meals of the pupils. Like in previous years Zambridge will pay the extra costs of the school feeding.

In 2017 a staff house will be built at the school compound. In order to raise the money for the construction a benefit concert will be organized. Again *Wilde Ganzen* will add to the money that has been collected.

#### Home Based Care (HBC)

This program started in 1996 and has been supported by Zambridge with a financial contribution for the training of the HBC volunteers. In 2016 these volunteers were given bicycles to be used for their activities. The training of the volunteers will be supported in 2017. With the help of donations from The Netherlands the HBC building has been supplied with a toilet facility.

In May two members of the board, Nelke van der Lans and Edith van Middelkoop, will visit Senanga to inspect the progress of the projects.

More detailed information and pictures of the projects are to be found on our website:

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### **Composition of the boards of Zambridge Senanga**

<b>Function</b>	<b>in The Netherlands</b>	<b>in Senanga</b>
Chair	Jan de Waard	Patrick Siyauya (Secretary HBC)
Secretary	Wim Reimert	Patrick Kozi (Senanga medical Centre)
Treasurer	Nelke van der Lans	Rosemary M. Kalaluka (Coordinator SODC)
Member	Edith van Middelkoop	Mike Mutti (Coordinator Maxanaedi)
Member	Joost Meijer	Therese Sikwatiketo (Treasurer HBC)
Member	Elske van Zanden	Ron Liswaniso (Consultant)

*All board members, in the Netherlands as well as in Zambia, perform their duties voluntarily and do not get any financial compensation except for the real costs.*

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Chairman