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GIVING FOUNDATION

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The Naqaqa Giving Foundation is a not-for-profit charitable foundation that provides direct support and assistance to disadvantaged people in the Fiji Islands, and in Southern Africa.

It was founded by American author Gavin de Becker, who provides its primary funding.

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NGF HUMANITARIAN VISITS

NGF handled the housing and logistics for the 8-island Humanitarian Tour by Jazmin Grace Grimaldi, daughter of Monaco's Prince Albert.



Jazmin Grace makes formal presentation of more than 12,000 pre-natal vitamins to the Savusavu Hospital





For more information on the Jazmin Fund, please visit
www.fijicharity.org or www.jazminfund.org

Cyclone Relief Trip

In 2007, Cyclone Daman struck the tiny island of Cikobia, devastating crops and destroying buildings. Working with the Red Cross and the Rotary Club, NGF sent materials and volunteer personnel to the island via the Tui Tai ship.



Brain Surgery

NGF donated \$10,000 to cover costs for a five-year old who was flown to Australia for life-saving brain surgery. Story from the Fiji Times below.



FIJI TIMES - Tue Jul 3, 2007

Doctors believe they have cured a five-year-old Fijian girl of epilepsy after an operation at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne. Jamie-Lee Bula arrived in Melbourne in a wheelchair two months ago. She will leave, walking and smiling. Severe epilepsy had left her unable to talk or develop as a normal child.

However, Jamie-Lee is now laughing with her dad and is able to enjoy the playground like other children. donate \$10,000 when he saw her story on the Fiji Times website after it was posted. This was after an American author and founder of Fiji charity the Naqaqa Giving Foundation, Gavin de Becker decided to donate \$10,000 when he saw her story on the Fiji Times website after it was posted. Mr. de Becker said "I am very impressed that the family raised so much money and I am grateful for the spirit of generosity people have shown the family. "

NGF EMERGENCY RELIEF

Emergency Heart Surgery

NGF provided complete funding for Mr. Hari Gandhi to have life-saving heart surgery in India.

Emergency Medical Service

NGF funded a charter flight and emergency medical care for Selala, a young man who had been severely ill.

Water System

In April of 2007, NGF provided material for a water collection system on the island of Yanuca. Rain-gutters, pipes, and large storage tanks were donated by NGF, delivered aboard the Tui Tai ship.



Fijian student on NGF-funded humanitarian tour of India

Clothes Distribution

In 2005, NGF rented a 2-ton truck and distributed more than 3,000 garments of clothing to seven remote villages on the island of Vanua Levu.



MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS & EXPERT VOLUNTEERS

- NGF funded the humanitarian visit by Dr. David Bresler, who donated important medical supplies, provided training seminars at local hospital, and provided training and treatment in remote villages.
- Dr. Nancy Kimber, OBGYN, made an NGF-sponsored visit to Fiji, during which she assisted at local hospitals and clinics.
- Dr. Gary Bravo, psychiatrist, makes an annual NGF-sponsored visit to Fiji during which he advises local health-care providers and sees individual patients. In 2006, Dr. Bravo visited villages on six remote islands – none of which had ever been attended by a psychiatrist.
- Dr. Donny Epstein has made three NGF-sponsored visits, during which he has treated patients from villages and runs a clinic at NGF's main facility.
- Lt. Col Dave Grossman has made three NGF-sponsored visits to Fiji, during all of which he provides teaching to local communities. In 2005, he taught a seminar to educators, the Mayor, police officials, medical officials, and village chiefs regarding the impact of television on children.
- Several musicians have stayed at the main NGF facility and taught young music students or assisted in the NGF Music Academy. These have included two recording engineers, a guitar teacher, and singer-songwriter Harper Simon (son of Paul Simon), who has made two visits. Singer-songwriter Alanis Morissette was based at NGF's main facility for her NGF-sponsored humanitarian trip to Rabi Island.
- There have been Fiji visits by three volunteer nurses, by several U.S. students (who stayed in our village housing), and by several volunteers who assisted with farm development, tutoring, and other projects.



Fijian students on NGF-funded humanitarian tour of Africa



Fijian students on NGF-funded visit to America, on the set of the movie "War of the Worlds"

School Libraries

NGF donated the library building for Buca School, and donated construction materials and construction of shelves for the Yaroi Village School. NGF also donates books each year to these libraries.

Library Construction

NGF provided materials and additional personnel to assist in the construction of a library on the island of Togo in November 2007.

United Blind Persons of Fiji

Aerobic exercise is particularly difficult for blind people, who find running impractical and unsafe. NGF funded a pilot program of gym membership for blind people.

Savusavu Handicapped School

A number of mentally and physically handicapped students attend this institution and NGF supplies them with books, games, and tools. NGF has also funded an employment position for a former student of the school who is now able to support his family in this way.



Fijian students volunteer at Homeless Shelter in downtown Los Angeles

Most Fijian village houses have one main room that is occupied by the whole family. School-age children occupy the space along with younger siblings who are not quiet. In places with electricity, a television might be on; in places without electricity, there is insufficient lighting. Since 2005, NGF has worked to provide better study environments for students.

Naidi Study Center

Since July 2007, NGF has sponsored a village Study Center. NGF provided lights, fans, tables, chairs, and funds the student supervisor. Daily food and refreshments are provided for children do schoolwork at the Center. NGF donated, installed and funds a village Internet center for students to use on school projects.

Vivili Study Center

In 2005, NGF funded the construction of Vivili's Study Center. It is equipped with lights, fans, tables, chairs, and educational materials. It also houses an internet center for students.

Advanced Tutoring

Since 2003, four teachers from St. Bedes College have been engaged to provide tutoring for students at NGF's Naqaqa facility.

Computer Learning

NGF has funded a full-time computer teacher for St. Bedes College since February 2004. Several hundred students have received computer teaching.

Student Sponsorship

NGF currently provides school fees for 58 students in Fiji and one student in Zimbabwe. Many sponsored students receive funding for materials, uniforms, bus fare, and in the case of higher-education, travel, and boarding.



The Joe de Becker Music Academy began as an abandoned building that was just a roof with incomplete walls. Inspired by the music in the hearts of the students — and by the commitment and love of school Headmaster John Tanu, the Academy is now a center for creativity. The builder, Tula Ram put his creativity and heart into the construction and I put my creativity and heart into design. Our first engineer, Tabore put his creativity and heart into learning new recording technologies. Jone at Naqaqa Giving Foundation put his heart into obtaining everything that's used at the Academy, and Ryan, a computer specialist 5,000 miles away, put his heart into locating, ordering, and preparing the technology we use.

Koli put his heart into singing and writing the music for our first recording, Full Speed No Brakes, and I put my heart into those lyrics. Musician Harper Simon put his heart into producing the song and doing a guitar solo. Famous singers and composers from all around the world heard our first songs and put their hearts into encouraging us to continue. Beautiful singer Julia Fordham put us in contact with her nephew, Max, a record producer and engineer, and he traveled 10,000 miles from England to set up the best equipment



and teach us new skills. The men who built the first building long ago (some of whom are no longer living) didn't know that someday beautiful music would fill it up, and we're grateful they put their hearts and time and labor into lifting the heavy stones for the original walls. Since the first building, the Music Academy has moved into a newly constructed facility with a studio, two classrooms, and housing for Tabore. It's a beautiful place where creators are encouraged to create, and able to create.

Gavin de Becker

Visit www.fjjcharity.org to hear the first songs recorded at the Music Academy.

National Education Contest

In association with the Fijian Ministry of Education and a local ferry service, NGF organized and funded a program to identify the top-scoring students in Fiji. Ten students received full education sponsorship, and the top scorer, Shaneel Nand, was awarded a fully funded trip to America. Shaneel was just about to enter medical school, so NGF arranged a weeklong series of visits to the UCLA Medical Center where he observed surgeries and facilities.

Police Training

NGF has facilitated three visits by renowned military and law enforcement trainer, Lt Col Dave Grossman, starting in 2004 (and scheduled for 2009). The well-known author and lecturer has provided extensive training at the Naqaqa facility. Most notably he taught a day-long seminar regarding the challenges posed by the advent of television. It was attended by local educators, police officials, Chiefs, the Mayor, and others who play key roles in the community. He has also provided awareness training for local police.

Iraq Reality Presentation

Early in 2005, many young Fijians were being recruited by an international security firm offering private security jobs in Kuwait. NGF organized a public presentation at its Naqaqa facility to present the reality of what was actually happening, teaching that the positions were in fact in Iraq, and that the contracts required 5-year commitments. More than 150 people attended the seminar, and most elected not to pursue the security positions. The security firm, which was charging \$300 just to process applications, was eventually debunked as fraudulent and closed.



NGF DISADVANTAGED YOUTH FULL-LIFE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM (DYFS)

Rural Villages in Fiji provide a great deal of support to community members, acting as a kind of family. The elderly are usually cared for, and the very young.

But even in a village there are those who, for various reasons, receive a disproportionately small amount of care. Children of abusive parents, alcoholic parents, and absent parents have many of the same life-challenges as children in similar situations all over the world – village or no village.

After teenager girls have children and the father is absent, the mothers too often go away school or employment, and parenting of infants and small children falls to the grandparents or other relatives. However, if the departure of a mother occurs in mid-childhood (the child is 7, 8, 9, 10, or older), because the child doesn't require basic care, he or she often gets next to no care at all.

The DYFS Program seeks to identify children in these categories, and provide entire life-mentorship, including financial, housing, familial, education, medical, integration into better-functioning-families, reuniting with never-met fathers and never-known mothers, and providing opportunities intended to compensate for the absence of early opportunities.

Program Goals

Aside from being an expression of compassion, the DYFS program aims to raise these young people into adults who can give back to their villages and their developing Nation in exceptional ways. Particular focus is placed upon participation in charity, with the students themselves proposing and managing small charity endeavors. All the DYFS students have worked in orphanages, homeless shelters, clinics, visited patients in hospitals, given kindness and care to handicapped children, and delivered food and clothes to people as disadvantaged as they were when they started out in the program.

Full-Life Sponsorship includes housing, school fees, tutoring, clothing, medical, travel opportunities, special training in areas of interest (maritime, music lessons, cooking, health care, etc), occasional earned allowances, sports equipment, food, and for selected students, housing in NGF's student facility.

The goal is that these young people grow to apply their special educations, talents, compassion, and life-experiences. In effect, this is a kind of "train the trainers" program – a way of preparing young people who were disadvantaged to be able to themselves give charity, compassion, and effective contributions to others

Young people from seven different villages met the criteria and were selected.

Taina

8-years old when first observed, she'd never known her mother or father (though he lived in a nearby community), raised by grandmother and grandmother's physically abusive partner. Financially assisted from 8-years old onward, relocated to Naqaqa Giving Foundation facility at 13, provided with full life-sponsorship. Excellent marks in St Bedes College, traveled around the world, volunteered to assist on many NGF projects. Taina is now raising her daughter with the father. In 2007, Taina eventually became a part-time NGF staff member and is an active participant in NGF projects, and a leader in her village.



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Joe

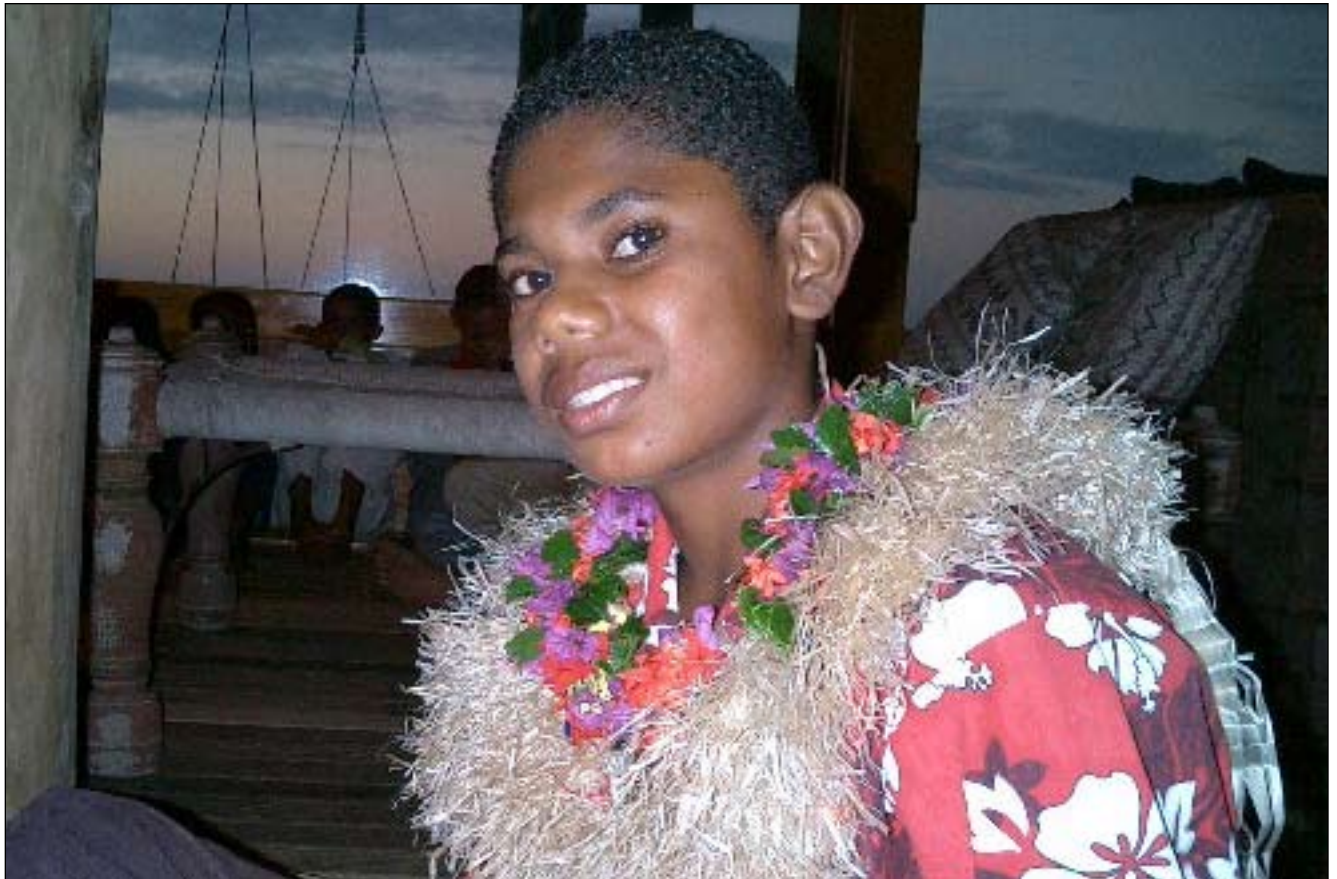
7-years old when first observed, never knew his father. Lived between two different homes in the village; mother remarried and started second family. Neglected. Through DYFS, Joe has located and met his birth father. He has traveled to India and the U.S. A talented singer, Joe has recorded original music at the NGF recording studio, and currently lives in the village of his birth.



Joe after performing at Street Children's Orphanage in Bombay, India

Masi

First observed at about 9-years old. No relationship with father, mother remarried with focus on new family. Neglected, except by grandmother. Resides today at Naqaqa student housing; full-life Sponsorship. In 2007, won St Bedes College award for Best Progressed Student in his form. Has visited Africa, Japan, India, Australia, and the U.S. Was sponsored for an internship aboard a large ferry ship – plans to attend Maritime School.



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Dramea

First observed at 10-years old. Never met his father. In order to attend a better school than those near his village, he lived on the grounds of a school many hours away in a shack without electricity or water service, along with a cousin and both grandparents. Entered Naqaqa Student housing at 16-years old. Eventually attended school in Lautoka and earned advanced diplomas in Computer Sciences and an A grade in all courses. Through NGF, he has now met his birth father, visited Australia, America, and Japan, and served as NGF Volunteer Supervisor on a trip to India, where Fijian students performed at an orphanage for Bombay street kids. Dramea was the NGF Volunteer Supervisor on a trip to Zimbabwe. After volunteering to assist on many projects, he left the DYFS program in 2007 and became a paid staff member of NGF.



Emosi

First observed at about 13-years of age. Never met father, rarely saw mother. Raised by abusive grandfather. Moved into Naqaqa's student housing at 15-years old. In 2005, Emosi rescued his younger sister Selina from similar abuse, and brought her to Naqaqa. Full-life Sponsorship. NGF located Emosi's father and facilitated meeting. Emosi has traveled extensively around the world, and is now attending Advanced Hotel Management & Catering School in Nadi.



Selina

13-years old, severely beaten by aunt and grandfather. Suffering post-traumatic stress syndrome, frequent seizures, and other damage from abuse. NGF has arranged treatment by several American health-care providers. She resided in Naqaqa student housing for one year, and has now been placed with a stable family in a nearby village. NGF provides full-life sponsorship (clothes, school fees, medical needs, etc).



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Apisalome

First observed at about 5 years old. Never met father, only briefly resided with mother. Raised by several different relatives. Had to stop schooling because of insufficient money for school uniform and shoes. Was sponsored by NGF's founder for several years before he entered Naqaqa student housing at about 14 years old. Full-life Sponsorship. He has traveled to Australia, America, India, Africa, and Japan. In 2007, Apisalome won St Bedes College award for Best Progressed Student in his form.



Christine

Gifted student, but financially disadvantaged. Entered Naqaqa student housing in early 2005. Full-life Sponsorship. Attended Hotel Management School — currently completing internship at a resort.



Kamini

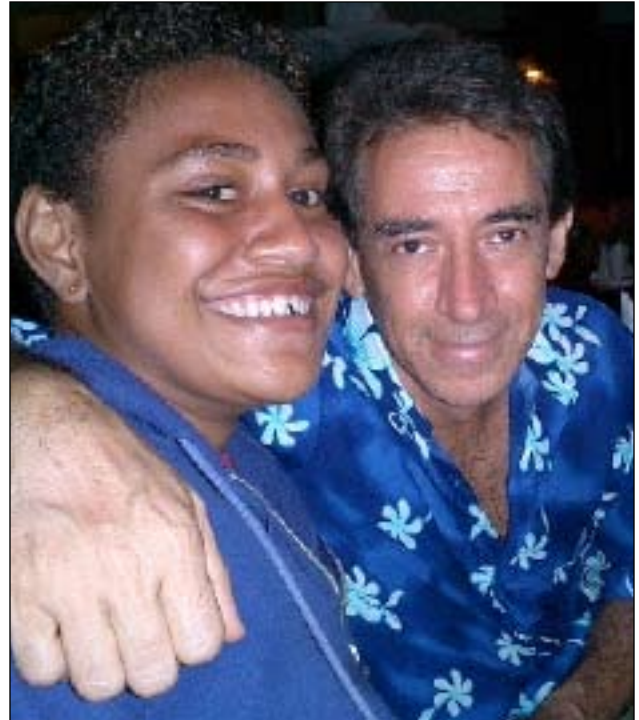
First observed at about 10-year old, suffering severe migraine headaches. Medical assistance was provided. Had never met father (has now, through NGF). Resided in Naqaqa student housing for several years. Full-life sponsorship, traveled to Australia, Africa, and the U.S. Now a successful student at the Fiji Institute of Technology, Marine Engineering School.



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Vani

Vani had not known her mother when she was younger, and her father was a soldier who lived on another island in Fiji. She was being raised by grandparents. Vani's already unstable life was turned further upside-down in 2000 when her father went to prison in connection with Fiji's political upheaval. He remains in prison today. Vani lived at Naqaqa's Student Housing for two years, and has now been reunited with her mother. She currently receives educational assistance from NGF, and is attending school in Suva with excellent marks. Having already reached scholastic goals, she's been awarded a trip to the U.S. (planned for in 2009).



Vilamone Kevu

Resided in a tiny village without electricity or utility services. Studied by lantern, and attained excellent marks. Stable family, but without sufficient financial resources. First observed at around 10-years old. NGF educational sponsorship began when he was 14 and moved to Fiji's capitol to attend the Nation's best school. Vilamone went on to become one of the Nation's top-scoring students. NGF currently provides funding assistance for his university education.

Jacope Kevu

Younger brother of Vilamone, similar situation. NGF currently provides assistance for education.

Ping and Lee

Twin boys, 16 years old had been beaten by their father and thrown out of their home. Both were accepted into Naqaqa student housing in 2006, and were returned to their parents after their father made a formal apology and commitment to better care. They are still living with their parents and attending school.

Paola

Father has severe diabetes, has been unable to work for years, housebound; eventually both feet were amputated. Paula attended Fiji Institute of Technology. He did not meet scholastic requirements, and was then sponsored for one-year internship at in the Savusavu Medical Clinic.



NGF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Nabaka Bridge

NGF donated materials and labor for construction of a bridge in a tiny village. There had been several accidents due to the poor condition of the previous bridge.

Kaila Sponsorship

Subscription to the weekly teen student magazine (Kaila) was sponsored by NGF for 2006 and 2007. \$1300 is paid each year to supply St Bedes College 50 copies for 50 weeks.

Savusavu Medical Clinic

In 2004 and 2005, NGF provided entire funding for the clinic. Today the clinic is able to mostly fund itself. For 3 years, NGF has funded a full-time medical assistant and provided extensive medical supplies and medicines.

Serenitoba Land Access

NGF's founder has donated areas of land for the Farm, Music Studio, and apiary projects. More than 100 acres has been made open for Naidi Villagers to farm without restriction.

Trampolines

NGF funded the purchase of children's trampolines for the Savusavu Handicapped School, and one for the NGF facility.



Funeral Assistance

In Fijian culture, the bereaved family and clan must pay to house and feed the many people who come from far away to attend funerals. Typically, NGF funeral grants are about \$500, however some, such as funerals for Chiefs involve larger grants of up to \$2000.

The NGF Farm

IN 2007, NGF established its farm project on land donated by Mr. de Becker at Serenitoba. Currently growing and donating cabbage, a variety of beans, bananas, kumala (Fijian sweet potato), radish, pineapple, and papaya.

Sweet potato crops have been provided through local markets, and also provided to the Tui Tai ship which has assisted NGF in many humanitarian efforts.

A grove of more than 100 Papaya trees has been planted.

In April 2007, 1,000 heads of cabbage were planted.



NGF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Farm House

In December 2007, a small farmhouse on the cultivated land was completed by NGF volunteers and employees.



The Apiary Project

NGF currently maintains 13 bee hives on land donated by the Founder. Assisted by local bee keepers and the Ministry of Agriculture, this project is adding to the local economy, educating new beekeepers, and providing healthy, organic honey in the community.



Farm Volunteer Project

As of January 2008, NGF has brought two American students to assist on the farm at Serenitoba.



Animal Clinic Project

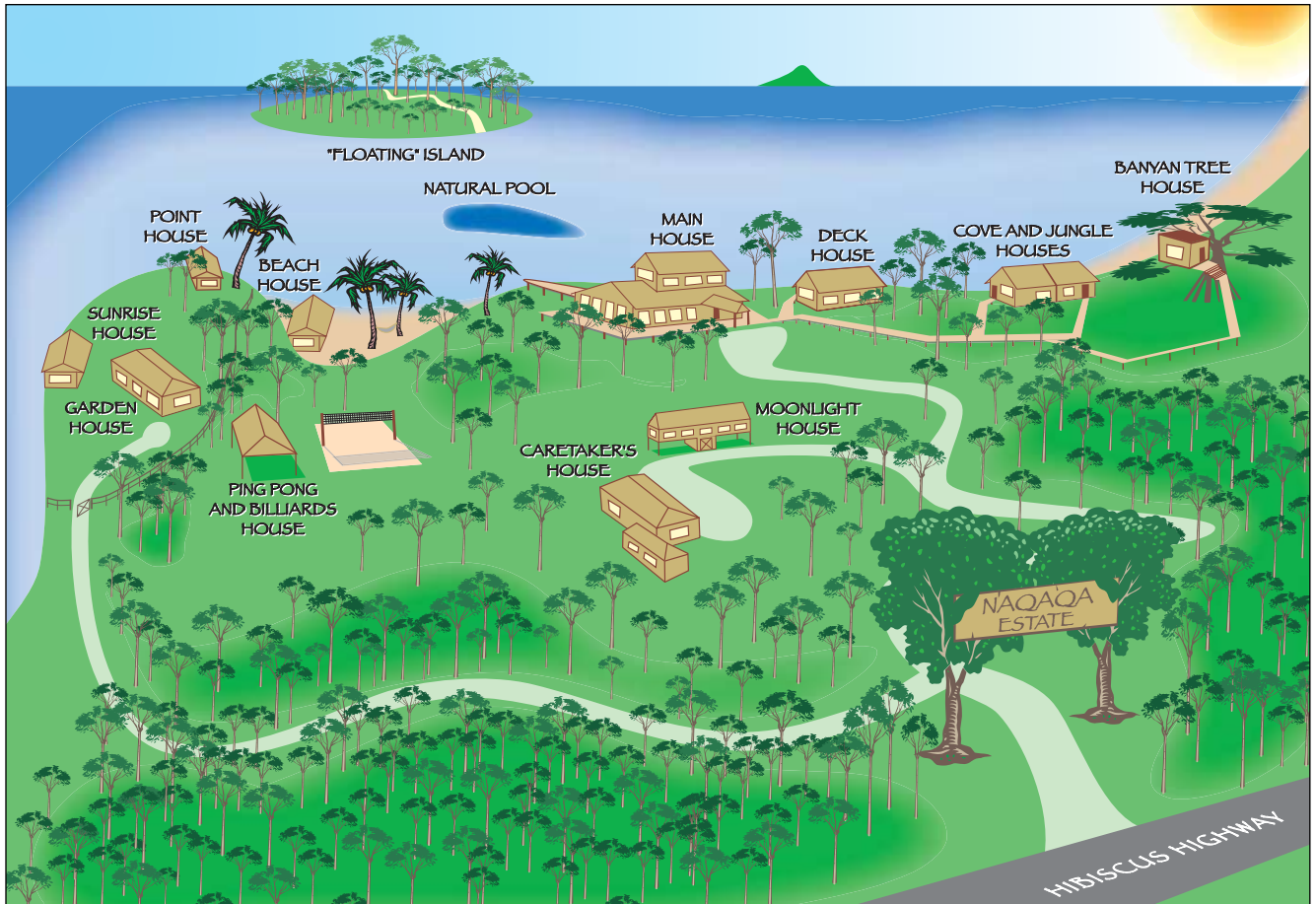
In January 2008, the farmhouse was extended to make an operating room where visiting veterinary doctors can perform much-needed spaying and neutering surgeries on stray dogs to help control animal over-population in the SavuSavu area.



Wild Hives

Occasionally, a hive of wild bees overtakes a house. NGF has moved bees out of residences in the Buca Settlement. This helps the residents of infested homes, and also adds hives to the NGF Apiary Project.





The main Naqaqa facility in Fiji, containing student housing (Moonlight House and Jungle House), volunteer quarters (Cove House), Staff Quarters, guest houses, and recreation areas



Students during Africa tour



Fijian students touring India

THE TUI TAI

The Tui Tai is a well-known ship owned by a Fijian-born woman and her American husband. Because the ship regularly visits remote islands not frequented by any other ships, NGF invested in the Tui Tai to facilitate important assistance, delivery of food and materials, and emergency medical transportation for Fijian villagers living far from population centers. The ship's owners established The Tui Tai Fund which solicits charitable contributions from tourists visiting Fiji. The Tui Tai Fund has provided medical support, advanced education, student housing, community development, building repair, new construction, delivery of important medicines, and emergency transportation of people and supplies.





NGF FUNDING AND PROJECT COSTS

THE NAQAQA GIVING FOUNDATION

A brief summary of funding and project costs for 2004, 2005, and 2006. (Complete IRS tax returns for the Foundation can be viewed by the public at www.guidestar.org)

2004 CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions by Gavin de Becker	\$ 760,000.00
Contributions by Others	91,434.03
Total contributions 2004	\$ 851,434.03

2004 EXPENSES

Travel for Beneficiaries	18,700.47
Salaries	31,947.44
	(less than 4% of budget)
Books, Reference Material	717.89
Materials & Supplies Donated to Beneficiaries	115,963.85
Education	12,842.08
Education-Food (School Lunches)	19,055.23
Emergency Relief	10,778.88
Equipment Rental & Maintenance	5,131.95
Printing & Copying	207.79
Supplies	4,639.80
Telephone	132.00
Utilities	13,288.52
Vehicle Expenses	7,395.56
Medical Supplies	2,676.60
Legal Fees	4,359.73
Professional Fees	59.00
Outside Computer Service	321.35
Other Expenses (Fiji National Provident Fund, FEA)	16,249.19
Land Lease	833.28
DIRECT TO BENEFICIARIES THIS YEAR	180,017.11
REMAINING CASH ON HAND	586,133.42

2005 CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions by Gavin de Becker	\$ 703,866.00
Contributions by Others	60,322.06
Total Contributions 2005	\$ 764,188.06

2005 EXPENSES

Travel	13,778.87
Awarded Children's Travel Expenses	43,762.19
Salaries	66,025.19 (less than 9% of budget)
Payroll Taxes	9,347.82
Books, Reference Materials	101.45
Materials & Supplies Donated to Beneficiaries	138,388.73
Education	39,047.49
Education Food (School Lunches)	28,087.03
Emergency Relief	58,648.36
Mailing Services	444.00
Postage/Shipping	381.04
Supplies	4,422.16
Telephone	490.38
Utilities	28,784.39
Vehicle Expenses	10,922.07
Medical Supplies	2,708.77
Health/Medical Expenses	5,553.94
Legal Fees	846.84
Accounting Fees	1,572.50
Outside Computer Service	307.00
Investment in Shipping Company	222,570.00

DIRECT TO BENEFICIARIES THIS YEAR **549,938.06**

REMAINING CASH ON HAND **87,997.84**

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2006 CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions by Gavin de Becker	\$ 625,000.00
Contributions by Others	150,657.11
Total Contributions 2006	\$ 775,657.11

2006 EXPENSES

Travel	81,534.49
Awarded Children's Travel Expenses	6,348.99
Children's Field Trip Expenses	162.00
Auto/Boat Travel	6,842.35
Travel-Education	30,017.12
Special Events	6,934.07
Salaries	45,331.07
	(less than 6% of budget)
Payroll Taxes	4,480.01
Books, Reference Material	178.52
Materials & Supplies Donated to Beneficiaries	83,165.22
Education	65,220.61
Education-Food (School Lunches)	25,201.02
Emergency Relief	10,342.83
Advertising & Insurance	5,444.92
Maintenance	1,650.97
Office Expenses	2,419.87
Postage/Shipping	1,646.51
Supplies	3,019.36
Telephone & Utilities	25,881.56
Vehicle Expenses	650.59
Medical Supplies	2,827.64
Health/Medical Expenses	9,903.66
Surgeries	6,610.20
Volunteer Per diem	2,475.00
Professional, Accounting, and Legal Fees	21,028.75

DIRECT TO BENEFICIARIES THIS YEAR **338,627.68**

REMAINING CASH ON HAND **324,986.70**

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