

# Annual Report 2020



**Susila Dharma USA**

# DEAR SISTERS AND BROTHERS,

## 2020 was a year like no other.

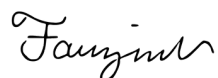
As the world went into crisis mode, Susila Dharma projects became more relevant than ever. The needs of society's most vulnerable — needs that projects had been addressing before the pandemic — suddenly became magnified by shutdowns, job closures, fears of illness. Despite unexpected and sometimes drastic changes to plans, projects adapted and found innovative ways to keep serving those most in need. Their resilience and strength in the face of so many hurdles has been truly inspiring.

For our Board of Directors, travel restrictions prevented in-person meetings this past year. We began 2020 with all new SD USA officers, learning and performing many new tasks. Even with these challenges, our virtual board meetings have been harmonious and productive. We hope to welcome new Directors and a new Treasurer soon.

Last but certainly not least, contributions in 2020 were notably higher compared to past years. The generosity of donors throughout the pandemic has been overwhelming. Thanks to your help, we have been able to support important new initiatives responding to ever-increasing needs, both in the USA and internationally.

Although 2020 challenged us all in many ways, it also brought an opportunity to witness the power and grace that manifests when guided from within to serve others in need. We extend our sincere thanks to all who support Susila Dharma USA. **This work couldn't happen without you. Thank you!**

With gratitude,



Fauziyah Ishak, Chair  
and the Board of Directors of Susila Dharma USA

### Photos

*Right: Yayasan Usaha Mulia (YUM)  
Cover: Learning Center for Women and Girls,  
Quest Center for Integrative Health,  
Yayasan Usaha Mulia (YUM)*



# PROJECTS SUPPORTED IN 2020

## USA

### **Atalanta Association**

Crestone, CO

### **Beautiful Portland**

Portland, OR

### **Human Force Camp**

Crestone, CO

### **Inner City Schools**

Los Angeles, CA

### **International Child Development Programme (ICDP)**

Chicago, IL

### **Quest Center for Integrated Health**

Portland, OR

### **Sequoia Community Center**

Badger, CA

### **Tijuana Family Outreach**

San Diego, CA

## AFRICA

### **I Protect Me**

Cape Town & Port Elizabeth, South Africa

### **Learning Center for Women and Girls**

Lemba Imbu, Democratic Republic of the Congo

*\*one-time grant; not part of annual granting cycle*

## CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA

### **CADO\***

Cotopaxi & Bolívar, Ecuador

### **Casa Cuna**

Puebla, Mexico

### **FUEGOS**

Manabí, Ecuador

### **Fundación Amanecer\***

Quindío, Colombia

### **Usaha Mulia Abadi**

Central Mexico

## ASIA

### **Anisha**

Karnataka, India

### **Bina Cita Utama School (BCU)**

Kalimantan, Indonesia

### **Borneo Football International Academy**

Kalimantan, Indonesia

### **Yayasan Permakultur Kalimantan (YPK)**

Kalimantan, Indonesia

### **Yayasan Tambuhak Sinta (YTS)**

Kalimantan, Indonesia

### **Yayasan Usaha Mulia (YUM)**

Kalimantan & West Java, Indonesia



# ANNUAL PROJECT GRANTS

USA

## Atlanta Association



- community gardens, sustainability, ecological harmony
- renovated garden house, straw bale building, potable water system – to host future Human Force Camps and other guests

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Despite the pandemic, we saw an increase in garden membership and volunteers, and were able to also increase our local food bank donations.

*Atlanta Association*

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## Human Force Camp



- programs in self-sustaining and self-directed work within a community that honors the human spirit, environment, and community
- 2020 camp was postponed due to pandemic
- grant was assigned to Atlanta Association

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Our model of operation had to change completely this past year, but as I reflect back on what felt like herculean feats at the time, of adjusting to so many changes in the midst of such terrifying unknowns, I realize that we never skipped a beat in serving and distributing food. And that is something I'm so proud of, I could cry.

*Jennifer Skyler, Beautiful Portland founder*

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## Beautiful Portland



- food distribution to families and elderly in crisis, and homeless camps around the city
- approx. 150,000 pounds of food distributed in 2020
- weekly meals for 400-500 people

## Inner City Schools



- school supplies for low-income students in Los Angeles, CA
- supplies for virtual learning to low-income students in Trenton, NJ

# International Child Development Programme (ICDP)



- programs for parents and caregivers to establish loving and understanding relationships between adults and the children in their care
- grant was to strengthen the link between ICDP in the USA and the international foundation
- funds were returned due to cancellation of conference

# Quest Center for Integrative Health



- healthcare services, education and inclusive community support to marginalized and underserved communities
- weekly Community Nutrition Night transitioned to socially distanced food delivery program
- weekly nutrition workshops transitioned to Zoom workshops

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We have seen a great deal of success in our transition, and our community members continue to feel a sense of gathering albeit through online services and socially distanced food delivery.

*Quest Center for Integrative Health*

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# Sequoia Community Center



- grant funded purchase of defibrillator for community center
- grant funded purchase of handcart to assist with food distribution
- community programs closed due to pandemic
- center became a county food distribution site

# Tijuana Family Outreach



- biweekly food gifting to isolated low-income families
- gifts to families for Christmas, Day of the Child, school supply event
- in-person events could not be held

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Many of our participants face food shortages due to layoffs in Mexico & in the US. Most of the people we work with do not have savings or the safety net that US citizens may be able to rely on. We are providing basic food items some of which are not available on store shelves in Tijuana since the buying panic began.

*Mikail Collins, Tijuana Family Outreach founder,  
at the start of the pandemic*

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# CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

## Casa Cuna



- *Garden of Peace* maintained throughout pandemic by volunteers; harvest distributed to low-income families
- schools closed due to pandemic
- grant (to supplement teacher salaries) held for 2021

## FUEGOS



- restaurant and hospitality school opening delayed due to pandemic
- grant diverted to Family Gardens & Nutrition program

## Usaha Mulia Abadi



- packing and distribution of nutrition products to children
- nutrition products delivered directly to homes of neediest families (distribution at schools not possible due to closures)



# AFRICA

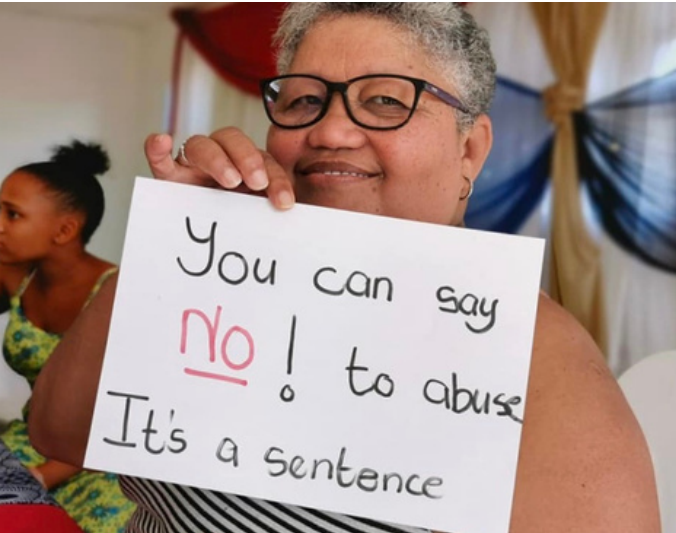
## I Protect Me

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'I SAY STOP' was sung throughout the streets of Port Elizabeth in South Africa... We shared information and became a beacon of hope to those who felt cut off from essential services.

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*I Protect Me*



- self-protection training for school children and vulnerable adults
- raising awareness about gender-based violence, setting and respecting boundaries
- programs transitioned to door-to-door and in the streets when schools closed

## Learning Center for Women and Girls



- developing a Pilot Community Learning Center for Women and Girls in Lemba Imbu, DRC
- addressing the root causes of poverty and marginalization of women in one of the world's poorest nations

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I want to learn how to calculate the cost of what I am producing — to add up transport and other costs so that I know if and when I am making a profit.

*woman from Lemba Imbu, on how she hopes to benefit from the new Learning Center*

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Since everyone is staying home, the consumption of food is doubling with no work and income... The famers thanked us for identifying the real needy people and distributing the food kits which no one else has done so far.

*Valli Rajan, Anisha founder,  
on emergency food distribution during lockdown*

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## ASIA

### Anisha



- higher education support for low-income students showing academic potential
- part of grant was spent on school fees and supplies before schools closed due to pandemic; remaining funds held for 2021
- food distribution to families during shutdown
- supervision and support for students' kitchen gardens

## Bina Cita Utama (BCU) School



- grant was for 4 new projectors to enhance teaching and learning
- schools closed due to pandemic; projectors purchased and ready to use when schools re-open

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Parents often express how their children become more helpful at home, are more disciplined and don't 'go out as much as before.'

*Borneo Football International Academy*

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## Borneo Football International Academy



- in-person activities suspended; programs transitioned to virtual, at-home
- distributed sports, educational and creative materials to encourage healthy activities while in isolation
- provided football tutorial videos and monitoring via video calls and home visits
- distributed hygiene kits, food packages and Covid information to families in remote areas

## Yayasan Permakultur Kalimantan (YPK)



- sustainable land management, regenerative agriculture, food security resilience
- teaching permaculture techniques to community
- new social enterprise *Kedai Itah* café served sustainably & locally produced food,
- tours of permaculture farm to over 5000 individuals

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We have had more enquiries about how to grow food — suddenly people are wanting to become more sustainable but don't know how.

*Frederika Paembonan, YPK founder, on effects of shutdowns*

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# Yayasan Tambuhak Sinta (YTS)



- working with community to identify ways to increase farming productivity and market access
- training villagers in agricultural techniques, business and marketing, building capacity of community institutions
- direct beneficiaries: 60 households; indirect beneficiaries: 2000 households

# Yayasan Usaha Mulia (YUM)



- grant directed to administrative costs
- programs: early childhood learning center, vocational training center, sponsorships and family-based services, tutoring and remedial, community library, mother & child health services, elderly care & well-being, organic farm
- beneficiaries: around 4000 people, mainly children and women

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Internet access in Cipanas is still an issue. Most families do not have the financial means to purchase internet subscription plans to facilitate online work/learning. Several of our facilities and programs were forced to stop with no feasible alternative to ensure continuity.

*Yayasan Usaha Mulia, on effects of shutdowns*

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# MELINDA WALLIS MEMORIAL FUND

The Melinda Wallis Memorial Fund provides seed money for local charitable projects carried out by individuals and Subud groups. Two grants were awarded in the Spring of 2020 to Subud members addressing needs in their local communities.



Cassidy Sterling of Subud Boston was awarded a grant to sew face masks.



Dainuri Rott and Merrill Snell of Subud California were awarded a grant to produce 3D-printed face shields.

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## 2020 Grants and disbursements

	Annual Grant	Other	Total
<b>USA</b>			
Atalanta Association	\$4500	\$300	\$4800
Beautiful Portland	\$5000	\$3050	\$8050
Human Force Camp		\$300	\$300
Inner City Schools	\$2000	\$2700	\$4700
International Child Development Programme (ICDP)	\$1500		\$1500
Melinda Wallis Memorial Fund Grants		\$1000	\$1000
Quest Center for Integrative Health	\$3000		\$3000
Sequoia Community Center	\$500		\$500
Tijuana Family Outreach	\$2900	\$717	\$3617
<b>Subtotal USA</b>			<b>\$27,467</b>
<b>International</b>			
Anisha	\$5340		\$5340
Bina Cita Utama School (BCU)	\$1672		\$1672
Borneo Football International Academy	\$4345		\$4345
CADO		\$500	\$500
Casa Cuna	\$1128		\$1128
FUEGOS	\$5000		\$5000
Fundación Amanecer		\$600	\$600
I Protect Me	\$10,000		\$10,000
Learning Center for Women and Girls	\$5000		\$5000
Susila Dharma International (SDIA):emergency relief		\$3835	\$3835
Susila Dharma International (SDIA): membership		\$6000	\$6000
Usaha Mulia Abadi	\$3000		\$3000
Yayasan Permakultur Kalimantan (YPK)	\$4000		\$4000
Yayasan Tambuhak Sinta (YTS)	\$5000	\$1000	\$6000
Yayasan Usaha Mulia (YUM)	\$2500	\$11,000	\$13,500
<b>Subtotal International</b>			<b>\$69,920</b>
<b>TOTAL GRANTS AND DISBURSEMENTS</b>			<b>\$97,387</b>

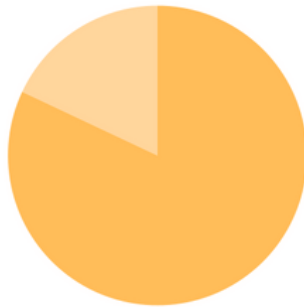
## Endowment

Beginning Balance	\$332,288
Ending Balance	\$350,317
Contributions	\$1150
Transfer to operating income	\$25,000

# 2020 Income: \$138,813

Endowment:  
\$25,000

Donations:  
\$113,813

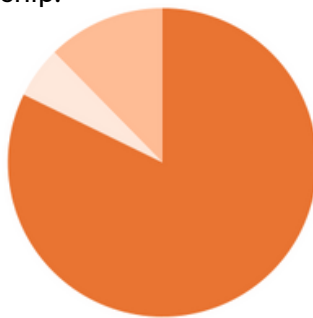


# 2020 Grants and Expenses: \$111,107

Administrative:  
\$13,720

SDIA membership:  
\$6000

Sent to projects:  
\$91,387



## ORGANIZATIONAL DONORS

### Subud Centers

- Subud Bellingham/Skagit Valley, WA
- Subud Boston, MA
- Subud Los Angeles, CA
- Subud Portland, OR
- Subud San Luis Valley, CO
- Subud Santa Cruz, CA

### Subud Enterprises

- Metrophi, LLC
- Nage Music, LLC
- Turquoise Intelligence, Inc.

### Outside Enterprises

- Mercedes-Benz, North America

## Administrative Expenses

Office management	\$5340
Fall fundraiser, printing, postage	\$3285
Computer, software, web	\$2053
2020 board meeting expenses	\$1528
Insurance	\$1132
State filing fees	\$215
Bank and transfer fees	\$167
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,720</b>

photos (from top):  
Learning Center for Women and Girls,  
FUEGOS, Yayasan Usaha Mulia (YUM)

## Board of Directors (2021)

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