

CBF RECOGNIZES QUINA CARE AS GOED DOEL

On December 1st Quina Care was accredited the CBF-accreditation and therefore belongs to the Erkende Goede Doelen (recognised non-profit foundations). A foundation receives this accreditation once it has demonstrated to meet very strict quality criteria. An individual donating to such a

foundation knows therefore that their gift will effectively contribute to a better world and it is spent appropriately. The CBF will continue to monitor the accreditation also after awarding and assess whether the foundation still meets the quality criteria.



2nd CONTAINER ARRIVED

On the 7th of November the second container arrives with medical inventory and hardware for the IT network.

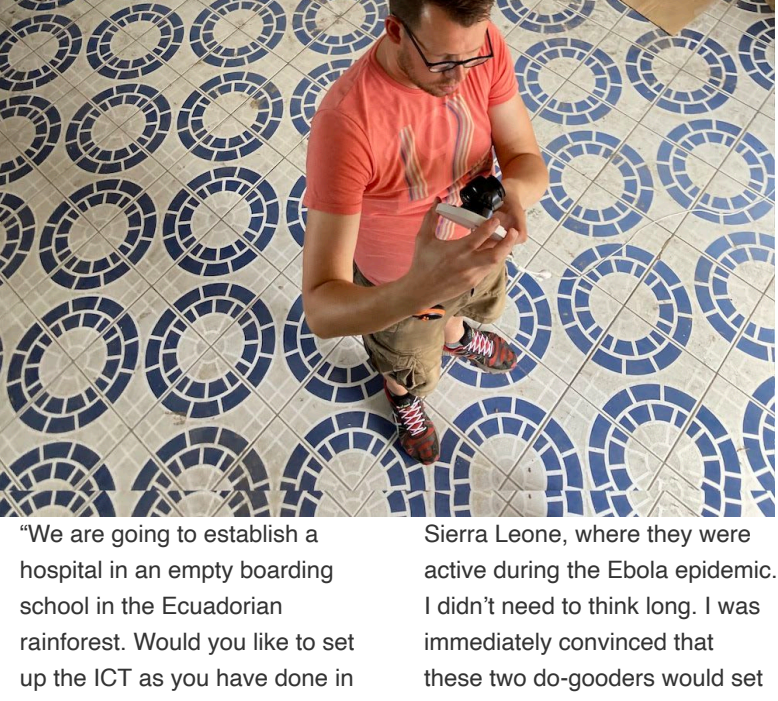
Earlier it was announced that a second container with inventory was on its way via ship from The Netherlands to Ecuador. Early November this container

reached the hospital. Are you wondering what one can transport in this kind of container? Among other things: an X-ray machine, 18 lead

aprons, two ultrasound units, a cast saw, I.V. stands, wheelchairs, an operating table, 14 beds, a cot for children. And hardware for the IT network.

Advanced IT network installed in hospital

IT engineer Matthijs Altena writes about his experiences in Puerto el Carmen as a volunteer for Quina Care.



"We are going to establish a hospital in an empty boarding school in the Ecuadorian rainforest. Would you like to set up the ICT as you have done in Yele?" This question was raised by Carolien and Jacob on a visit in The Netherlands. A few years earlier in 2015 I met them during a volunteering project in

Sierra Leone, where they were active during the Ebola epidemic. I didn't need to think long. I was immediately convinced that these two do-gooders would set up something beautiful and I was very willing to contribute to that.

hardware had been on its way for quite some time in a sea container and should have arrived at the hospital upon my arrival. What a beautiful ride from the airfield in Quito to where the road literally stops in Puerto el Carmen. From the passenger seat in the indestructible Toyota Land Cruiser I was able to fully enjoy the beautiful rolling landscapes of Ecuador.

As is often the case in developing countries, certain things do not go according to expectations. This is quite a change from the busy Western well-organized society. Due to some sudden side issues it takes us 2 days instead of one to reach the hospital. Even worse: the container is still

Read more [here](#).

NRC Article

Journalist visits hospital.

On November 26th a lovely newspaper article appeared by Gerjan Ekenhorst in the NRC. The article reports on Carolien and Jacob and the build of the hospital in Puerto el Carmen. It's amazing how much attention for



Quina Care this has resulted in. Not just financial donations, but also a number of businesses,

foundations and individuals have offered their services. It's heartwarming to feel how much

Quina Care's aims appeal to other people as well! [Here](#) you can read the full article.



Architect visits hospital again

Architect Elza Heemskerk returns to Puerto el Carmen.

In 2019, Dutch architect Elza Heemskerk visited the hospital in Puerto el Carmen to support the build of the hospital. Soon it was revealed how useful it was to have an architect on location to design several rooms and,

where necessary, come up with adjustments. November 2020 presented another opportunity: after Elza had completed from the Netherlands the design for the international health care doctors residence, she was once

more present, at her own expense, in Puerto el Carmen! This way she was able to guide both the build of the residence and complete further designs for the hospital.



€ 4.615 for 115 bottles antivenom

Baukje Zaaier has run a marathon on October 18th to raise funds for Quina Care. The original aim was to complete the Amsterdam marathon, however this was not possible due to the COVID-19 situation. But, Baukje

being incredibly motivated, she decided to adapt the plan: together with Sybren Visser she completed a marathon around Groningen. The aim was to raise enough funds for 100 bottles of antivenom against snake bites,

which cost € 40,- per bottle. In the amazing time of 3 hours and 27 minutes they reached the finish line and raised € 4.605,-, that is to say, 115 bottles of antivenom!

#GivingTuesday: € 3.258 for 434 consultations



Great result for project to fight malnutrition amongst children.

The 1st of December was Giving Tuesday, the Tuesday after Black Friday and Cyber Monday. A day to give and the start of a month that traditionally sees an

increase in donations to good causes. Quina Care joined this campaign and brought their malnutrition amongst children to the attention. This has resulted in

a very nice amount which will help a great amount of children in Putumayo: € 3.258 to facilitate 434 consultations.

WILDE GANZEN COVID-19-SAFE PROJECT

Protective equipment to operate within a safe environment has been purchased.

As reported in the October newsletter, the COVID-19-safe project in collaboration with Wilde Ganzen has resulted in

enough funds to provide sufficient protective equipment against COVID-19 to allow for a safe opening. By now, this has

been purchased in order for the staff to be able to operate in a safe environment. A safe feeling in these strange times!

Quina Care needs your help



Quina Care needs the support of donors. Only with your help we can realize the health care

the people of Putumayo so desperately need. To donate, press the button on the left.

