

WakaWaka Foundation

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Introduction



We are pleased to report that, as in previous years, many WakaWaka's were successfully distributed in 2025, thanks to generous donations. This was made possible through ongoing follow-up from previous distributions and preparations for projects planned this year, including key initiatives in partnership with Habitat in Uganda.

These projects aim to support victims and refugees in acute emergency situations by providing safe, sustainable, and affordable sources of light in areas without access to electricity. In Uganda, the import process took longer than anticipated due to unexpectedly high import duties. Nevertheless, 1,360 WakaWaka's were successfully brought into the country. Planned deliveries to Kenya have been postponed due to similarly high, unexpected import duties.

In addition, WakaWaka Europe B.V. donated over 1,700 power banks to the WakaWaka Foundation, which were subsequently distributed to the Grunnegse Rieders Foundation, a Dutch volunteer organization committed to providing humanitarian aid in Ukraine.

The WakaWaka Foundation remains fully committed to ensuring that children can study after sunset without relying on dirty, hazardous, and costly kerosene lamps or poorly lit candles. By providing access to clean and reliable solar light, we help create opportunities for education, enhance safety, and foster a brighter future. All made possible thanks to the generosity of our donors.

Our Mission

The WakaWaka Foundation aligns itself with the United Nations' seventh Sustainable Development Goal: access to affordable and clean energy for all. With the sun as the world's most abundant energy source, we believe solar power offers a sustainable solution for the 1.2 billion people worldwide who live without access to a conventional electricity grid.

Many of these individuals rely on toxic, dangerous, and polluting kerosene lamps or are forced to live in darkness after sunset. The health impacts of indoor air pollution from kerosene and open-fire cooking are severe, especially affecting lungs and eyesight.

Our mission is to provide safe, sustainable, and self-sufficient solar energy and lighting solutions to those at the base of the pyramid: people living in extreme poverty, off-grid areas, or affected by forced migration.

Improving the future of children in developing countries is at the heart of what we do. Access to light enables education, communication, income generation, independence, and long-term development. It brings dignity, opportunity, and hope.

In emergency situations such as natural disasters or humanitarian crises access to light and power can mean the difference between chaos and safety. Solar light helps search and rescue efforts in the aftermath of an earthquake or typhoon, while WakaWaka devices can charge mobile phones, allowing survivors to contact loved ones and access vital information.

Displaced families in refugee camps often find themselves in complete darkness. In such contexts, where no market-based solution is feasible, donations are the most effective way to provide immediate, life-changing support.

By addressing these basic needs, the WakaWaka Foundation strives to make a lasting and meaningful impact on the lives of the world's most vulnerable.



Campaigns & Donations

Our Valued Partners in 2025

In 2025, over three thousand WakaWaka Solar lights and Powerbanks were distributed to people in need. This was made possible by the generous support of individuals, organizations, and companies that contributed to our projects.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who contributed to the mission of the WakaWaka Foundation. Your donations have a direct and lasting impact on the lives of vulnerable communities around the world.

We are especially thankful to the companies that continue to support our work and are proud to recognize them for their commitment to sustainable and social impact. Together, we are lighting up lives and helping to build a brighter future for all.



We are proud to collaborate with a number of dedicated partners who share our mission to bring safe and sustainable solar light to people in need. Their continued support makes our work possible.

It's about RoMi

It's about RoMi, a lighting design company with the eco-label 'Good and Mojo', dedicated to creating sustainable lighting while helping people. Each year, RoMi donates to charitable projects, supporting communities in need with clean, safe, and affordable light.

Flonk Hotels

Flonk Hotels supports the WakaWaka Foundation through ongoing engagement and partnership, helping us extend our reach to those living in energy poverty. With two beautiful locations in Groningen, Flonk Hotels combines hospitality with social responsibility, making a meaningful contribution to a brighter world.

Freia Group

Freia Group is the parent company of eight specialized training and development organizations: AOG School of Management, TSM Business School, Comenius, Van Harte & Lingsma, Wagner & Company, NIVE Opleidingen, Horizon Training & Ontwikkeling, and ISPP. All these institutions are united by the belief that every person wants to make a difference and be the best they can be. As part of their commitment to social impact, Freia gifts a WakaWaka solar light to participants upon completion of their programs spreading both light and inspiration.

We are deeply grateful to these organizations for their trust and support. Together, we are making solar light accessible to those who need it most.

Foundation Projects Highlighted

Partnerships for Greater Impact

The WakaWaka Foundation continues to collaborate with aid organizations that have strong local knowledge. This approach not only avoids unnecessary costs but also ensures that our operations remain efficient and cost-effective. With the support of these local partners and dedicated companies, we are able to distribute WakaWaka solar lights where they are needed most.

Several of these projects were implemented in 2025 in partnership with Habitat for Humanity, an international nonprofit organization dedicated to building safe, affordable housing and improving living conditions for vulnerable families around the world.

In 2025, 1,360 WakaWaka lamps were sent to Uganda to support our mission with the help of Habitat. Access to light plays a crucial role in enabling children to study after sunset, making education truly accessible and effective. In addition, more than 1,700 WakaWaka Power Banks were delivered in 2025 to Ukraine with the help of the Grunnegse Rieders Foundation. This foundation aims to provide and transport aid supplies, such as food, hygiene products, generators, and power banks, to affected areas.

The WakaWaka Foundation is delighted to be able to play a part in helping students to excel in their studies. What is special about WakaWaka lights is that they offer more than just shared solar energy and improved academic performance. They bring awareness, an 'aha' moment and a reminder that life is full of possibilities.



Governance



Board

The Board is responsible for setting policy and overseeing the day-to-day running of the Foundation. The board is in contact as needed.

Anneke Sipkens, Chairman
Eppo Heemstra

9 June 2026



Financials

WakaWaka Foundation

| Statement of income and expenses (€ 1.000) | 2025 | 2024 | Explanation on financials |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Total income | 42,4 | 28,6 | Total revenue increased compared to 2024, driven by higher donations. Part of the income (EUR 23,000) comes from a barter agreement |
| Project expenditures | 37,6 | 6,0 | Part of the project expenditures, amounting to EUR 23,000, relates to a barter deal. |
| Operating expenditures | 1,5 | 3,0 | Operating expenditures consist of administration, internet, and other office costs |
| Net result | 3,3 | 19,6 | |
| Balance sheet (€ 1.000) | 31-dec-25 | 31-dec-24 | Explanation on financials |
| Receivables & prepayments | 6,2 | 13,2 | The receivables consist of the committed donations related to the year 2025. These receivables were received in early 2026 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 139,5 | 122,1 | |
| Total assets | 145,7 | 135,3 | |
| Designated funds | - | - | |
| Reserves | 114,7 | 111,4 | |
| Equity | 114,7 | 111,4 | |
| Current liabilities | 31,0 | 23,9 | |
| Total liabilities | 145,7 | 135,3 | |

The financial figures are derived from the 2025 financial statements. Detailed figures are available upon request