

ANNUAL REPORT 2022





Meeting with the children























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SUMMARY

The year 2022 was marked by the Russian-Ukrainian war that shook the whole world, especially underdeveloped countries like Mali. This war has had a negative impact on the daily lives of Malians through soaring prices of basic necessities and other items. As a result, life has become even more expensive with price increases often ranging from 80 or even 90%.

This high cost of living has further affected already vulnerable families. Fortunately, the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is no longer a dangerous threat as in past years. The means of prevention and other measures taken by the government, NGOs and associations have borne fruit and that is why the rate has fallen today.

Nevertheless, we were able to carry out our activities and achieve our annual objectives. As every year, we conducted our activities in various areas with multiple and diversified components. The various activities were made possible thanks to the financial support of our strategic partner MDG (Mali Development Group) whose support has never been lacking.

But also, with the support of other technical and financial partners at national and international level as well as our authorities. All crowned by the courage and determination of the trainers, facilitators and animators full of love for the children.

Of course the children have largely been ready and willing to follow the various trainings despite some cases of drop out. A new initiative this year was the training in Bollé Detention and Correction Centre for Underage Women and Girls.

They benefited from on-site training at the request of the centre. The purpose of this training was to reintegrate the inmates into the social and economic sphere. PAD aims to continue this training to help inmates become more autonomous and independent when they leave detention. The objective of the workshops is to offer experience in painting, and to organise public exhibitions of the work produced so that they have increased visibility and their work can be seen by everyone. Any profits will be used to buy materials for future workshops. The national director of the detention centre has requested the continuation of the training and has agreed to cover costs of transport, but not materials or other expenses. We have not yet given our agreement but want to discuss the situation with MDG and other partners to request support to find the costs required. Ideally new weekly sessions will start in 2023, and might even include bogolan practice.

We intend to initiate in our training in 2023 two new components of Braiding (hairstyle) and Henna (African tattoo on the hands and feet).

CONTEXTE

Life is becoming more expensive every day with wars, diseases, famine and others. The situation of street children and young mothers deserves special attention because they are a vulnerable and disadvantaged group.

This problem cannot be solved by public authorities alone. It is very appropriate for everyone to play their part in order to support decision-makers in order to eradicate this growing phenomenon. It is in this spirit and context that the Cultural Association Pense à Demain was born, which intends to play its full part in the socio-economic and cultural integration of this disadvantaged layer. The activities of “Let’s Think of Tomorrow” (PAD) aim to help the socio-economic and

educational integration of children, young people (boys and girls) and adolescents on the street, in family breakdown and or in conflict with the law.

These activities also give a prominent place to girls in difficult situations for their empowerment and full social and economic reintegration. Thus, the launch of the activities was concretized in 2007 after the two trips to Europe made by Kader in 2005 and 2006. These activities are mainly funded by MDG (Mali Development Group) since its creation until today, more than 10 years.

➤ **TRAINING**

This year, the training involved

- 12 girls in Cutting and Sewing;
- 08 girls, 08 boys and 09 younger children as part of the bogolan, in addition to those lodged in the centre. Indeed, PAD had more than 50 children over the 12 months, each training lasting 3 to 4 months.
- And for the detention centre of Bolé PAD trained 70 underage girls and women. And we plan to organize a big exhibition in January 2023 and a large number of people and the relatives of the detainees.

➤ **DIFFICULTIES OF CHILDREN LIVING ON THE STREETS**

The difficulties faced by children living on the streets are enormous and multifaceted. Nous pouvons citer à ce niveau :

- **Physical violence**
This applies to both girls and boys.
- **Sexual violence**
This largely concerns girls
- **Difficulty finding shelter**

This affects boys and girls.

Few of them are lucky enough to find shelter or sleep at night. Sometimes the centre takes overspill in our dormitories from the partnership with the Samu social Mali, the organisation that carries out night runs and then drops off children in the centre so that they can sleep safely and take advantage of staying to do the training.

- **Difficulty accessing work:**

It should be noted that they are unqualified (girls or boys) who have not learned any trade, so they have difficulty finding a job. This lack of activity affects their health because they cannot eat well, which creates malnutrition and starvation in them. Those who are lucky enough to be spotted by the SAMU Social and PAD are fed in the Timsuejohn centre and treated by the Samu social Mali. Their support in terms of food, wellbeing and training is provided by PAD.

And this year we had one case of a girl fleeing during the training just two months before she was due to finish, due to fear of forced marriage imposed by her parents. She left the centre and we have no news of her up to now.

Another girl aged 16 discovered that the man she was living with was a thief who was being sought by the police. Without trying to understand more she fled the area, believing that she might also be arrested. She has also not been seen.

SURVIVAL STRATEGIES:

The preferred strategy is begging and prostitution.

Thus, boys live from begging and girls through prostitution, which is the preferred medium. There is among them a minority who live through small street activities and other small trades (apprenticeship).

➤ ORIGINS OF THE BENEFICIARIES OF THE 2022 TRAINING:

As every year, the beneficiaries of the training come from diverse backgrounds.

- Bamako and periphery;
- Sikasso;
- Koulikoro;
- Ségou;
- Mopti;
- Regions of the North (case of displaced persons).

PROGRAMMING AND ANIMATION OF ACTIVITIES

✓ BOGOLAN Workshops

The workshops (activities) bogolan were led by Mr. Yacouba KEITA and Mrs. Mariam CAMARA.

✓ LITERACY

Literacy classes were provided by Mrs. Korotoumou.

✓ CUTTING AND SEWING WORKSHOP

The cutting and sewing workshops were given by Mrs. Mariam SYLLA.

✓ DISCUSSIONS FOR LEARNING

Talks and debates on hygiene, reproductive health, STDs and STIs but also adapted behaviors to live better in society were provided by Diaryatou SOUCKO of Samu Social.

➤ EXPOSITIONS ET ATELIERS :

This year again, as in previous years, we organized workshops and exhibitions mainly with the American Embassy (USA) at the American Club.

We gave an exhibition of the works of the centre at the American club.

Also, we were invited to run a workshop within the Embassy of the United States of America for the staff of the embassy. At the same time, we also gave an exhibition. To conclude, we made a large fresco.

We also made a preparation of canvases for the prisoners of Bolé Femme and painting workshop for the prisoners of Bolé.









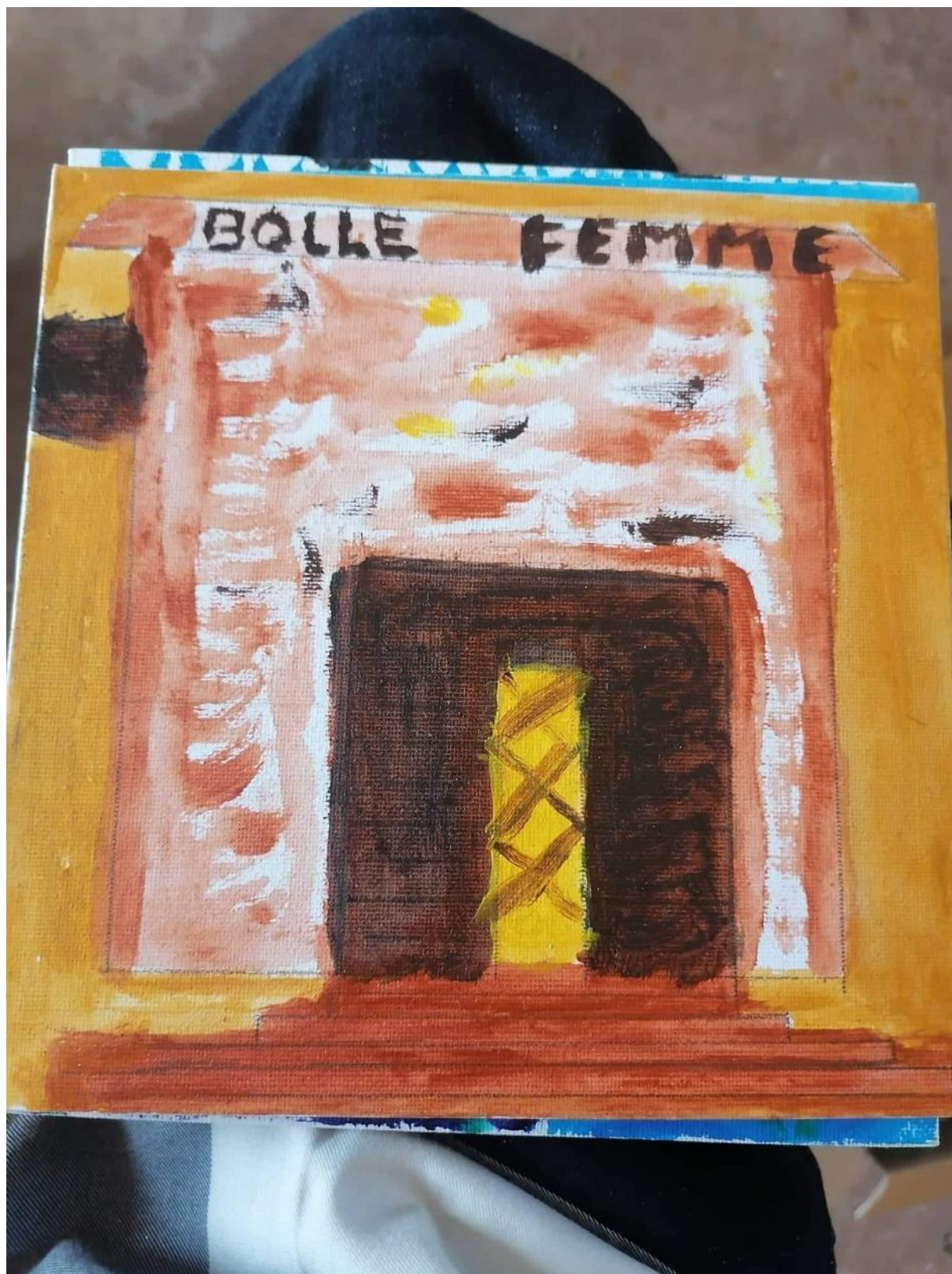












➤ DONATIONS

As a donation, this year, we once again benefited from the support and support of the Embassy of the United States of America (USA) which, after several visits to the TIMSUEJOHN centre and workshops with the children and youth of the centre, decided to make donations to the centre:

- Refrigerator
- Sewing machine
- Two wooden storage cupboards
- Material for sewing
- Paint brushes

Assorted items from Maliance in France ;

- Food
- Clothes
- Support to pay the electricity bill.

Gifts from ABAMA ANGERS

- Large cooking pot
- Coffee mugs
- Garde mange
- Benches and chairs
- Material for sewing

➤ **PARTNERSHIP WITH SAMU SOCIAL**

The partnership with Samu Social Mali was materialized again this year through the signing of a partnership letter in the presence of several state personalities and some representatives of local associations.

Samu Social brings children to PAD for training and accommodation.

It brings medicines and technical equipment.

It offers free care to children and girl mothers by doctors who pass periodically.

In addition to donations in kind consisting of: Clothing, Bags, Mosquito Nets, Wax Fabrics, Real and Nanguina for Bogolan

VISITS:

We received the visit of the representative of the Embassy accompanied by the person in charge of support projects in Mali.

International Children's Day:

On the occasion of International Children's Day, PAD was invited as the speaker of the day to talk about the issue of street children





Conférence de coopération entre PAD et SAMUSOCIAL MALI

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➤ DIFFICULTIES

Difficulties being obstacles to overcome to achieve the desired objective, to this end, we were able to overcome them thanks to the support of our partners and particularly our privileged partner MDG-England.

Indeed, the Association has registered more children than expected.

This complicated our tasks a little, which include:

Accommodation, clothing food and care.

Insufficient equipment for a higher number of children than expected.

Insufficient dormitory (room) for all applicants who are in need.

With courage and willpower, we manage to manage difficulties.

The identification sheets and follow-up of young people helped us a lot in the work and especially everyone understood how to do it

And the fund allocates has allowed PAD to pay those who have done the work and more to change our work equipment and even the maintenance of Kader's motorcycle and water and electricity bills.

THE FUTURE

- In order to sustain our activities and extend it to as many children and young people in difficult situations as possible, we envisage the following as prospects for the year 2023.
- The acquisition of an office for PAD;
- The bogolan painting workshop in Bolé (prison for underage women and girls);
- The workshop of Braiding (hairstyling);
- The Henna workshop (African tattoo on hands and feet);
- The acquisition of sewing machines for PAD with all the necessary accessories for continuity in order to have autonomy to be able to train more boys and girls in the days to come;

The renewal of bunk beds upstairs (07), mattresses (14) and bed sheets.

Indeed, its equipment has been acquired for nearly 10 years now. So they are completely worn out over the passing years.

- They are very old and no longer hold; That is why we must renew them now.
- The development and dissemination of a technical guide on professional practices in working with families with partners for care in order to improve practices and facilitate the return to their families of children and young people in street situations;
- Continue to build capacity;
- Consultation on advocacy with a view to developing an agenda on the problem of children and young people in street situations with public authorities and international partners;

REMINDER

As every year, we remind you to send the budget of the 1st quarter 2023 before your departure on vacation to avoid a blockage of activities in January.

We also remind you about our wish to acquire our own building for the TIMSUEJHON centre to lighten expenses but also for the sustainability of activities in favour of the poorest children.

Thank you for your understanding.

Happy New Year 2023. !!!

CONCLUSION AND THANKS

In conclusion, we thank all donors (national and international), public authorities and our authorities..

Our thanks go particularly to MDG (Mali Développement Groupe) whose support has never been lacking in the creation of the center.

We also thank the American Embassy (USA) and ABaMa and all donors.

Overall, the activities of the year 2022 went well.

We will continue to take the necessary steps with the support of some partners to better protect children in difficult circumstances..

Our sincere thanks also to our Special Advisor Mrs. Suzanne Upton and the mother of all children Mrs. Violette Diallo.

We hope that 2023 will be much better !!!

Thank you all and look forward to 2023!!!

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RECAPTULATIVE BUDGET SPENT 2022

PERIOD	AMOUNT
1st quarter 2022	3 301 000
2 nd quarter 2022	3 505 000
3rd Quarter 2022	4 200 000
4th Quarter 2022	4 010 000
TOTAL :	15 016 000

**Adopted the present budget for the financial year 2021 has the sum of:
Fifteen million sixteen thousand CFA francs.**

Le Rapporteur/Trésorier :

Tadjoudine BELLO dit Tahirou



We thank Mrs. Suzanne Upton for her trip to Mali that we really appreciated especially the small session of working together

We thank all MDG and their donors

Happy New Year to all