



# Activity Report 2019



## Moral Report

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### Editorial

The year 2019 was full of activities and difficulties. The construction of the first part of the main building was completed. The financial campaign 2000 X 30 caught the attention of our donors as well as encouraging new persons to participate.

An intense search for funds was conducted so as to permit the continuation of the work. The result was that the project benefitted through several funding agencies, and the amount desired was obtained.

The pastry sales at Coop in Penthalaz and at Migros in Cossonay in 2019 were also successful, permitting many to know and appreciate our project and the progress made to date.

The construction of the first part of the building was completed in the time allotted.

The medical equipment was procured in country without difficulty.

Solar energy was installed in the part of the building completed.

Our list of individual contributors and foundations was enlarged.

Thanks to each one who contributed with enthusiasm:

- to the committee members for their engagement, perseverance and skills.
- to the newspaper of Cossonay for their continuing support throughout the year 2019: through numerous publications, which touched a larger audience in the region and allowed the surrounding population to become acquainted with our association and its project.
- to the commune of Penthalaz for its constant engagement and precious support.
- to all the members and volunteers who helped with our pastry sales.
- and especially to all our donors and friends whose names are too numerous to cite, for their support and encouragement.

It is the participation of each individual in Switzerland, in Côte d'Ivoire and throughout the world which makes SAREPTA what it is.

The result of this fourth year testifies once again that SAREPTA is destined for a bright future. Let's continue to join together to promote the rural health and development in Côte d'Ivoire!

Dr. Marie-Aimée Päivi SORO



## Portrait of the association

SAREPTA Suisse is a non-profit association, recognized in Switzerland as an entity of public utility and therefore exonerated from all taxes. It was created the 18<sup>th</sup> of December 2015. Its mission is to promote rural health and development in Côte d'Ivoire through the following activities:

- the construction of medical centers which meet modern exigencies
- the equipping of these centers with material of high quality
- the facilitation of the opening/functioning of these centers with qualified personnel who are interested in the needs and problems of rural health
- the promotion of health by campaigns of prevention and awareness sessions facilitated by the personnel of the centers
- other activities which fall within the realm of the mission

The committee is composed of the following people:

- Mrs. Marie-Aimée Päivi Soro, Medical Doctor; president.
- Mr. Navigué Pierre Soro, B.A. in management and human resources, M.A. in Biblical Exegesis and Linguistics, Professor of English and economy in private schools; general secretary.
- Mrs. Sarah Seri, special education at the Foundation EBEN-EZER; treasurer.
- Mrs. Claudine Tschelessnig; member

## Activities

The year 2019 was noted for the following activities:

1. The Research of financial support for the objectives 2019.
2. The Recruitment of new members.
3. The Construction of the first part of the main building of the medical center.
4. The furnishing of the first part of the building with medical material.
5. The supplying of the first part of the building with the medication for general consultations.
6. The installation of solar panels for the first part of the building, which provide good security illumination of the area at night.

The perspectives for the activities for the year 2020 are the following:

- The opening of the **SAREPTA Medical Center of Tangafila** for general consultations.
- The **construction** of the second part of the main building.
- The **research of additional funding**.
- The continuing administrative pursuit for the granting of the « **l'accord d'établissement** » from the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire**.
- The **recruitment of new members**, both in Switzerland and in Côte d'Ivoire
- The **collaboration with other Swiss associations working in the same areas of health and development**.

## Problems encountered in 2019

Like all other organizations, SAREPTA Suisse had problems in three areas:

- 1) **The securing of new funding agencies:** Even though we are supported by foundations and individuals who have confidence in us, it remains important for us to gain new institutions so as

to do further projects. The confidence of our donors encourages us to continue on in the pursuit. We are grateful for our current financial supporters, who believe in us and our project: THANK YOU!

- 2) **The recruiting of new members:** humanitarian work in non-profit organization area depends especially on its volunteers. This commitment requires a lot of time and energy. It is difficult to interest new members. Never the less, we were successful in increasing our numbers by 4 in 2019 making a total of 22 members as of today here in Switzerland.
- 3) **The monitoring of the work:** Like all projects, nothing is accomplished without reliable supervision. And this is even more important in the humanitarian domain. The confidence of the donors comes through their assurance that the project is being adequately followed and funds properly used. SAREPTA Suisse is doing everything to reinforce the confidence of its funding agencies and individuals and thus encourage new donors to join the effort in international solidarity.

It is for this reason that the founders of this project, Mrs. Marie-Aimée Päivi SORO and Mr. Navigué Pierre SORO, made three crucial supervision trips during the realization of the project in 2019 (in April, July and then in December). Without their vigilance and presence, the building plan, established by the architect, would have been modified by the local construction supervisor. This simply confirms again the importance of a physical presence of a committee member during the important phases of construction, and is a problem we hope to overcome during the construction of the second phase of the building in 2020.

### What to do?

We plan to continue our search for funds through two campaigns: encourage our donors to support the salaries of the personnel and/or support the purchase of solar panels for the second part of the building for 2020.

We will use the internet, social networks and other communication methods.

A pastry sale is programmed for the village of Pully for the 9th of May, 2020. And a dinner is being planned for the 3rd of October 2020 at the "salle du verger" in Penthalaz. With these measures, we are confident that we will attain the objectives of 2020 and begin the 4<sup>th</sup> phase of the project (see action plan).

### Action Plan

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022--
Deep well with hydraulic pump	realized					
Construction of store room	realized					
Construction of latrines and showers		realized				
Construction 1st part of medical center main building			realized			
Equipment installed for 1st part of the main building of the center			realized			
Beginning function of 1st part of the center				In process		

Solar panels installed and operable in 1 <sup>st</sup> part of Center	realized
Construction of 2 <sup>nd</sup> part of medical center	
Equipment installed in 2 <sup>nd</sup> part of Center	
Beginning function of 2 <sup>nd</sup> part of Medical Center	
Installation of solar panels in 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of Center	
Research of funding	

### Perspectives for the year 2020

Having completed the construction, equipping and stocking of medications of the first half of the medical center in 2019, 2020 will focus on the construction and equipping of the second part of the SAREPTA MEDICAL CENTER in the village of Tangafila.

We anticipate beginning the building of the walls of this second part of the main building around the 15th of March 2020. We hope that the funding will arrive to help us finish the construction of this second part of the building and equip it with medical material, consisting of a laboratory of medical analysis, minor surgery room and a pharmacy for a more complete consultation, diagnosis and treatment of the patients of Tangafila and the 17 other surrounding villages. Due to lack of the finances, we are obliged to continue according to the funds available.

## Financial Report

### Table of Receipts

	2019	2018	2017	Variation
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
Amount in bank 12.31.2019	23'001.-	2'729.60		
Member dues	<b>1440</b>	1'467.67	1'140.00	
Individual gifts	<b>4'790.58</b>	3'658.14	5'183.30	
Campaign 2000 x 30 / Fengarion	14'988.50.	3'061.21	-	
Pastry sales	<b>3'622.80</b>	-	3'172.90	
Fund-raising meal	-	2'945	-	-
Financing through Foundations	<b>39'500</b>	5'000.00	20'000.00	
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>64'341.88</b>	<b>16'132.02</b>	<b>32'225.80</b>	<b>99.66%</b>

EXPENSES				
Communication (site internet)	-	117.20	362.10	
Formation "Ethika"	-	-	250.00	
Administrative expenses (printing Paper, postage, communication...)	<b>1'877.65</b>	334.00	568.15	
Fund-raising meal	-	143.40	-	
Bank charges (postfinance)	<b>554.86</b>	130.10	95.60	
Projects (Well + Repair of pump + Store room)	-	-	15'655.64	
Construction 1 <sup>st</sup> part of building	<b>18'791.10</b>	-	-	
Equipment 1st part of building	<b>31'136.06</b>	-	-	
<b>Project WC and showers</b>	-	4'522.50		
Supervision trips	<b>11'474.81</b>	-	2'777.45	
Mileage reimbursement Robin-Dec. 2017	-	400	-	-
<b>Total of expenses</b>	<b>63'844.38</b>	<b>5'647.20</b>	<b>19'708.94</b>	<b>223.94%</b>
<b>Amount in bank</b>	<b>23'499.18</b>	<b>23'001.68</b>	<b>12'516.86</b>	<b>2.163%</b>
<b>12.13.2019/2018/2017</b>				

The finances received during the year 2019 reached a total of CHF **64'341.88**. In comparison to the **CHF 32'225.80 received in 2017 and CHF 16'132.02** in 2018, there is an increase of 99.66%.between 2019 and 2017. This increase is explained mainly by:

- The one-time gift of the Foundation Saint-Paul amounting to CHF 30'000 in 2019 plus the sum three other foundation gifts of CHF 9'500. In 2017 we received only the one gift of CHF 20'000 from the Foundation Saint-Paul.
- In 2018, we received a gift from only one Foundation, Pierre Demaurex totaling CHF 5'000.
- The action 2000 x 30 in 2019 gained a total of CHF 14'988.50 in 2019 as opposed to the CHF 3'061.25 received in 2018 through the campaign Fengarion.
- In 2018 our fund-raising dinner gained us a benefit of CHF 2'945. We recognize that our action 2000 x 30 in 2019 alone rose more than the two actions in 2018; the dinner and the campaign Fengarion.
- A minor decrease in member dues and new membership fees was remarked in 2019 as compared to 2018; CHF 67.

The expenses of 2018 totaled only CHF 5'647.20.-

The expenses for 2019 reached a total of CHF 63'844.38 against the 2017 total of CHF 19'708.94, marking an increase of more than 223.94%, which is explained by the following:

- The work on the first part of the main medical building (construction, equipping with medical material and solar energy), which cost more than CHF 58'197.18 in 2019 as opposed to the expenses in 2018 of CHF 5'647.20 .
- The supervision trips in 2019 were more expensive in that there were three trips by the General Secretary and two by the President to follow the work of construction and purchase the medical equipment. The third trip was for the inauguration of the first part of the

building on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2019, and both the General Secretary and the President went as well as another member of the committee of SAREPTA Suisse made the trip.

The difference in total of CHF 31.12 2019/2018 was on the order of 2.163%. This means that we used almost the entire amount of receipts from 2019 in the completion of this first part of the medical center in Tangafla.

**Remark: We would like to thank the Swiss Embassy in Abidjan, which helped us with a contribution of eighteen million francs CFA. This grant was sent directly to bank account of the local representation of SAREPTA Suisse in Côte d'Ivoire. Therefore this amount was not reflected in our Swiss accounts at postfinance. If the project was accomplished so quickly in 2019, it was thanks to this help from the Swiss Embassy and also our first funding agent, the Foundation Saint-Paul, which helped with a new subvention of CHF 30'000.**

**We thank also the Foundation Bernard, the Foundation Pierre Demareux and the Foundation Rosyland, as well as the Kiwanis Club of Cossonay and all the other donors who participated in the action 2000 x 30.**

**Thanks to your various contributions the objectives of 2019 were reached. Thank you to each one for your confidence in us!**

## Budget 2020

EXPENSES			
Motive	Description	€	CHF
Maintenance of internet site	<i>Infomaniak WordPress</i>		700.-
Creation of internet site for CMST			1000.-
Publicity			500.-
Paper			400.-
Transportation			200.-
Bank expenses	<i>Maintenance of account from Jan. to Dec. 2020</i>		200.-
Construction	Medical Center second part	36 250 €	41 420.-
	Equipment second part	41 820 €	47 785.-
	Beginning service of second part	29398 €	31264.-
	3 supervisions trips	9 900 €	11 312.-
	Salary of nurse (7 months) +rent	3885 €	4132.-
	Salary and rent for doctor (4 months)	3865 €	4111.-
	Salary and rent for mid-wife (6 months)	3885 €	4132.-
	Salary and rent for laboratory tech (4 months)	2590 €	2755.-
	Salary and rent for medical secretary (4 months)	1319 €	1403.-
	Salary for administrative assistant	964 €	1026.-

	(6 months)		
	Salary of security agents (12 months)	5147 €	5474.-
<b>Total</b>			<b>157'814.-</b>

REVENUES		
Source	Motive	CHF
<b>Balance on 12.31.2019</b>		<b>23 499.-</b>
Foundations		91794.-
Individuals	<i>Gifts for the project</i>	20200.-
Pastry sales		3 000.-
Members	<b>Dues</b>	2 000.-
Fund-raising dinner	<i>Receipts for the meal</i>	4 000.-
<b>Total</b>		<b>157 814.-</b>

**Inauguration of first part of main building of The Medical Center, December 7, 2019**

