



**Friends of Mmabana
Deutschland e.V.**

ANNUAL REPORT 2020

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in Choma, Zambia «*

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Greeting from Germany



Louis Hesse

Dear Friends of Mmabana,

If someone were to ask me to describe the year 2020 at Friends of Mmabana Deutschland e.V. (FMD) as briefly as possible, then I would answer: quiet, but successful.

What had we not planned for this year? With many events and colourful parties, 2020 was supposed to be our big anniversary year. However, the course of the year developed differently than expected. While the first birthday party still took place at the general meeting (GM) in spring, the rest of the year of the FMD was characterized by cancellations, social abstinence, and reorganisation.

We found a new task quite quickly and dealt with our self-image. In many interesting and fruitful conversations and discussions, we dealt with various questions about the identity and goals of FMD, both within the board and together with you members. I have fond memories of the lively and substantive discussions we had on this topic, including at our digital general meeting in November.

Unusual calm also returned to our partner, the Mmabana Community Outreach Project in Zambia. The programs were temporarily closed and the two volunteers from Germany from the ev.-luth. Missionswerk Niedersachsen had to fly back home early. However, during the year Mmabana was able to reach many

people with information about the pandemic and hygiene measures, masks, and soap through the newly established Corona Network Project. The new project house was also inaugurated during the graduation party of the last Mmabana computer course of 2020.

Mainly thanks to our good cooperation in partnership and the help and dedication of everyone involved, we were thus able to make 2020 a success despite its special circumstances in Germany and in Zambia. To have the opportunity on our 10th birthday to look back and remember our own identity, strengths and goals and thereby look to the future in a focused and organised way is a gift. I am excited to see what this future holds for us and would like to thank you for your contribution and trust in the work and vision of Friends of Mmabana!

And now, enjoy reading the 2020 Annual Report!

With best wishes

Louis, 1st chairman of Friends of Mmabana
Deutschland e.V

Greetings and Thanks from Zambia

Dear Friends of Mmabana

RE: APPRECIATION TO OUR GREAT PARTNERS
FRIENDS OF MMABANA.

It is with great joy that I write this message of appreciation to you about the impact of your financial support to the organization and the communities of Choma at large.

On behalf of all staff members here at Mmabana Community Outreach Project of Choma, I would like to extend my gratitude for your great generosity. Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated as it helps further the organization's mission of promoting individual development of children and young people with the support of school education, further training offers, empowerment for girls and leisure activities for children.

Your financial assistance in the construction of the project house at our new plot is also greatly appreciated. We would not have managed to do that by ourselves. We acknowledge your great assistance, and we say thank you so much for that. We would also want to extend our gratitude to you for financing our volunteer accountant. We have noticed a very good improvement in our financial reporting standards as compared to previous years before we had an accountant,

all this was possible because of you. We are thankful!

We are also grateful for your quick response to our proposal that was sent early last year regarding the Covid-19 pandemic. Through your financial assistance rendered during that period, we managed to reach out to a lot of communities within Choma, where we were able to provide covid-19 protective materials such as soap, masks etc.

We are happy to be in partnership with you. Together we are making a difference in our communities.

Thank you so much! May God bless you all!

Yours Faithfully,
Emmanuel Chawa Mudenda



Emmanuel Mudenda

News from Mmabana in Zambia



Graduation ceremony of the computer course graduates



Mmabana management team

Following the words of greeting and thanks from project manager Emmanuel Mudenda, here is a report on the activities and news from Mmabana over the past year, which were discussed in the regular talks between the two partners.

After Mmabana initially got off to a good start in its programs at the beginning of 2020, things changed abruptly here too in March due to the global outbreak of the corona pandemic. Weekly programs at Mmabana were forced to close.

Despite the lockdown, most of the Mmabana team was able to continue working and became involved in other aspects of the organisation. Many of the staff members participated in the upcoming work on the new project house, carried out tidying and cleaning activities in the old and the new project house and used the time for administrative work.

From the end of September, the educational programs could take place again under the hygiene conditions ordered by the Zambian Ministry of Health. This also allowed the participants of the computer course, which had to be interrupted in March, to complete their course before the end of 2020. Due to the high number of participants, with which a hygiene concept was difficult to implement, only the Kids Club and the SHE Club could not be resumed. Mrs. Masani, Mr. Mwiinga and Emmanuel Mudenda took care of the



children who are in Education Support of Mmabana during the lockdown as well as during the resumption of the programs in the organisation and school operations, supporting them and their families with masks and information about the virus.

The Corona Network Project

Mmabana took the initiative in August 2020 to launch a project to support the population during the pandemic. Due to the great success of the so-called Corona Network Project, the initially limited duration of one month was finally extended until the end of November, and thus until Mmabana went on Christmas vacation. During this time, a total of almost 5,000 people in Choma and the surrounding area were reached.

The idea for such a project arose in the Mmabana team from the fact that the organisation's regular programs could not take place during the lockdown and Mmabana therefore wanted to get involved elsewhere. In addition, Emmanuel Mudenda noticed that no other organisations in Choma had similar projects until then, so Mmabana felt a responsibility to fill a gap here.

The Corona Network Project's work consisted primarily of providing education about the corona virus and distributing masks. This took place in several campaigns at different locations in Choma as well as in surrounding villages. Mmabana established a team that worked in cooperation with representatives of the respective village communities as well as with the Zambian Ministry of Health. For the procurement of



Corona Network Project

masks, Mmabana entered into a cooperation with the Hospice Alternative Care of the board member Mme Chiteta, whereby many masks could be produced and distributed in a short time and at low cost.

The project also included a radio appearance by Mmabana, which allowed information about the coronavirus and hygiene rules to reach faraway places. Overall, the project was aimed primarily at children and young people, especially girls, as well as people in particular need.

Mmabana Has Its Own Accountant

Since July 2020 Mmabana has its own accountant! We are happy to announce that Mr. Gladwell Habasila has joined the team of Mmabana in Choma and is actively contributing to the accounting of the organization. He studied Accountancy at ZCAS University in Lusaka and works for Ledger Pro Solution in Choma. As he likes to get involved beyond his job and support organisations in Choma with his skills, he decided to volunteer at Mmabana to do the accounting. The fruits of his involvement with Mmabana can already be seen as the accounting department has been digitised and a guide to finances has been written.

The House Building Project

The project of the Media and Learning Centre for children and youth in Choma, Zambia has been completed in 2020!

A brief review:

In March 2019, the bureaucratic part of the project started until the ground-breaking could take place in May 2019. Now it was possible to build! By October, most of the building was in place. The green colour was already shining into the neighbourhood. But around the turn of the year, completion stalled. In February 2020, the last work on the sewage pit was finally done. Minor corrections to the house were still pending and structural acceptance was delayed. With the subsequent restrictions due to the corona pandemic, we extended the official funding period with the Development Cooperation Foundation (Stiftung Entwicklungs-Zusammenarbeit: SEZ) until June 2020.

In September 2020, we submitted our evaluation report to SEZ, looking back at the year and a half of the project. Almost 150m² classroom, library/study and sanitary facilities, as well as six new computers are now available to Mmabana in the new project house in a good location.

In addition to the construction of its own project house, since September 2019 the organisation also benefits from a trained teacher who greatly enriches Mmabana. Mrs. Bronscar Masani is a special needs teacher and the salary for her work was also part of the funding project. In the first months of her work at Mmabana, she evaluated the educational programs and then worked with the young people on their structure and quality. Through mentoring, the youth learn techniques to make the Reading & Writing Club and After School Club effective and more sustainable so that the youngest in the programs benefit from them

in particular. During the construction phase, Emmanuel Mudenda organised the Mother's Shelter where these educational programs could take place.

During the year, a wall, a guard house, and an outdoor kitchen were also built on the property.

After a long Corona-related break, the new project house could finally be officially opened on 27th November 2020 under hygienic measures with the graduation ceremony of the computer course participants! With important representatives of other institutions and organisations in Choma, the 10th anniversary of the Friends of Mmabana was celebrated at the same time.

The Friends of Mmabana Active in Germany

As already mentioned, the year 2020 has developed a bit differently for the Friends of Mmabana than initially expected. Full of anticipation, we went through a rather quiet spring, which was mainly filled with preparations for our 10th anniversary. Themed „#10for10mmabana“, 2020 was to be a series of events with an opening ceremony at the general meeting in spring and a grand closing event at the general meeting in autumn.

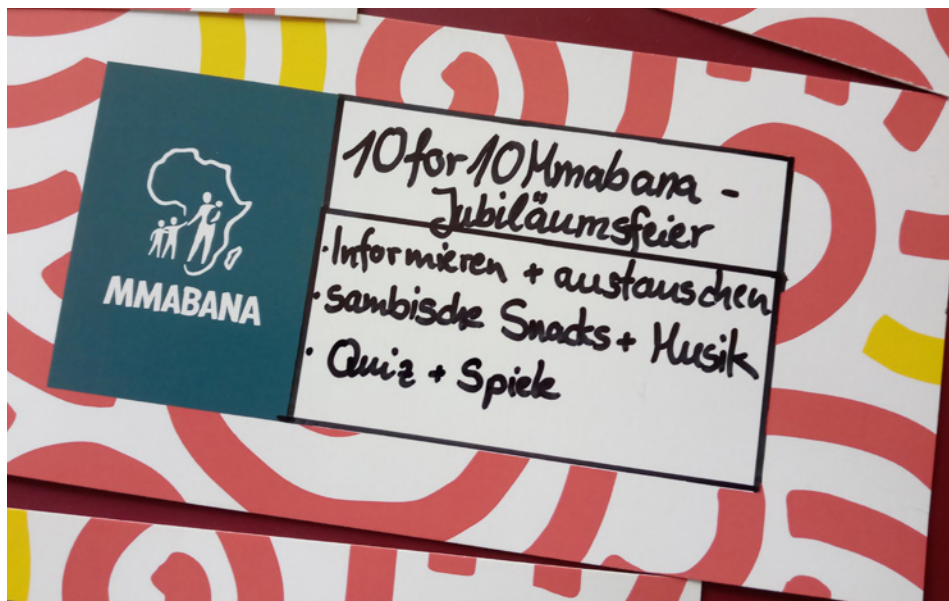
The General Meeting in Spring

The general meeting in spring was held in Gillersheim in southern Lower Saxony from 13th to 15th March 2020. The first part was filled with presentations about what is happening in Germany and Zambia and the new elections of the board. Since then, the board is composed as follows: 1st Chairman: Louis Hesse, 2nd Chairman: Lena Kawele, Treasurer: Sonja Knüdel, Secretary: Benjamin Schoppe. We warmly welcome Lena and would like to take this opportunity to thank Megan Duddek, who is retiring from the board after many years of service, for her dedication and commitment to FMD.

During the second part of the GM in spring, group work was done to plan „#10for10mmabana“ events and the final event at the GM in autumn. In the eve-



General meeting in spring, Gillersheim / Lower saxony



Invitation for a #10for10Mmabana anniversary celebration

ning we celebrated the „#10for10mmabana“ opening ceremony. With more than 25 guests and members, an informative presentation about FMD and Mmabana, a buffet with a variety of African dishes, a photo quiz, and many interesting conversations, we duly launched our anniversary year.

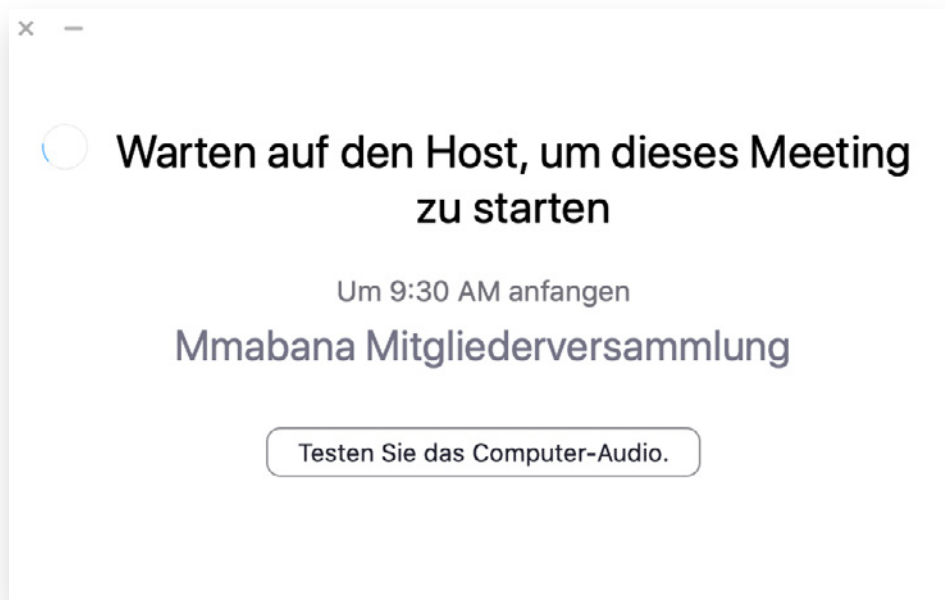
#10for10mmabana

Shortly after the GM in spring, the first lockdown was decided as a result of the increasing Corona infection numbers and a summer with few possibilities to implement events or birthday parties followed. Nevertheless, Lena and Shadreck Kawele were able to celebrate a small, Corona-compliant „#10for10mmabana“ party with friends and interested people in Göttingen in September and tell them about us and Mmabana.

On the Topic: Our Guidelines and Goals

For the board, the summer and fall without events proved to be a good opportunity to take up various topics that had been put on the back burner during the busy last few years. Internally, therefore, online meetings and a board weekend in July addressed basic and more specific questions about FMD and our partnership with Mmabana in Zambia, such as:

- What makes us, Friends of Mmabana in Germany, special?
- What values guide our actions?



Digital general meeting in autumn

- What are our strengths and what makes us attractive?
- What do we want to achieve in Germany in the short and long term?
- How can we attract new members in the future?
- Would membership in an initiative or network make sense? How is the relationship with Mmabana in Zambia: Do we meet at eye level?

The General Meeting in Autumn

On 14th November 2020, we held our first digital general meeting, the GM in autumn, where these and other topics were addressed together with the members in an open discussion round, as well as in the form of a workshop.

In the process, we determined that openness, transparency, equality, and good communication and appreciative interpersonal relationships within FMD are important to us. Furthermore, it emerged that we would like to promote development cooperation with our partner Mmabana in Zambia on an equal footing and raise awareness in Germany for global solidarity and sensitivity for other cultures and lifeworlds. With these and many other jointly developed results on the identity and goals of our association, the FMD guidelines are currently being revised. Among other things, these will soon be available on our website.

The conclusion of the GM in autumn was a „Social Evening“, where members of various committees met virtually to plan upcoming tasks. In addition, the social component of a GM was able to come to fruition in a

relaxed atmosphere while chatting together.

We ended this digital and therefore in some ways special general meeting by singing a goodnight song together. This gave us a sense of closeness and community despite the physical distance. In this way, the GM was a complete success with the highest number of participants in our association's history and the many enriching discussions and conversations.

The „#10for10mmabana“ final event was initially postponed to 2021. Full of expectation and hope, we now look forward to the new year and are excited about everything that is to come.

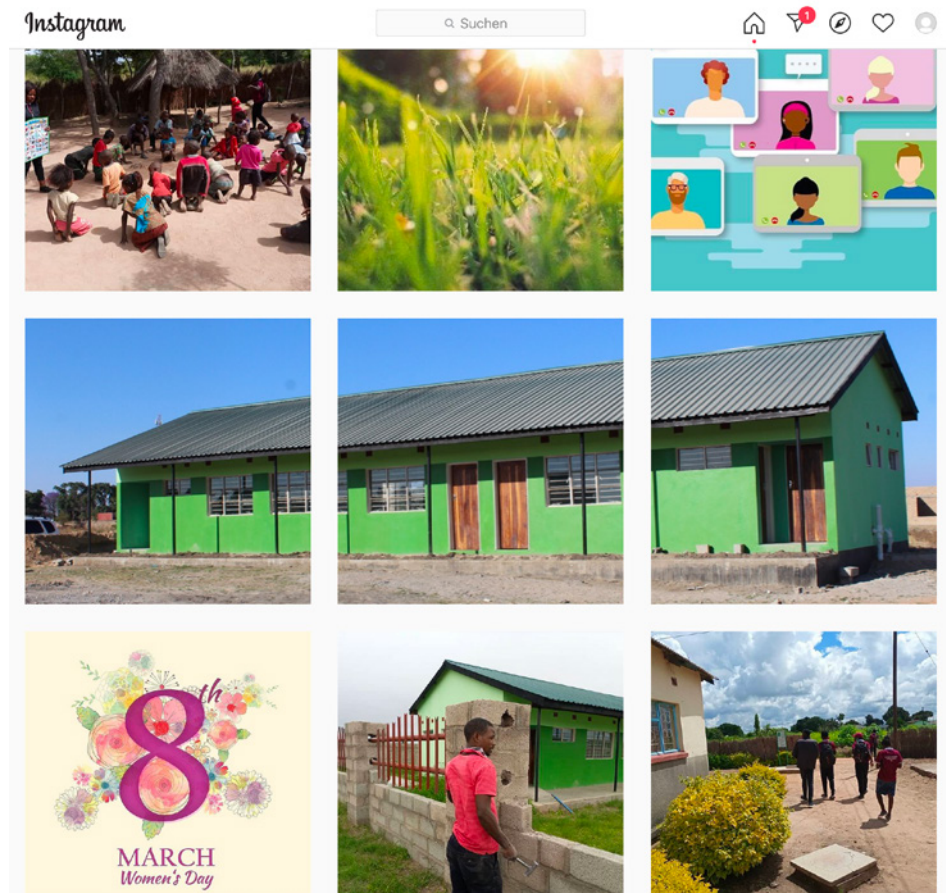
Our Plans for 2021

Getting to grips with this chapter of our annual report is a real gamble in these times. We are still at the beginning of the year, a year in which the corona pandemic continues to dominate life to a large extent. It is therefore factually not easy – and we all know this by now – to make plans. However, we know from experience that we are quite good at being spurred into action spontaneously during the year, and that ideas for projects and events can arise quickly. In view of this, spontaneity and flexibility will probably be particularly in demand in 2021, and we are happy to get involved.

Our Digital Presence

Much has shifted to the digital world even more than before and many of you and us are spending much more time online. Among the active members of Friends of Mmabana is a working group responsible for our digital communication channels. For years, the social media team has been working diligently to keep writing news and interesting posts and posting them there. These channels include Instagram and Facebook, the newsletter, and our website, through which you can follow what is happening in Germany at the Friends and in Zambia at Mmabana.

Especially now, it is important to take good care of the digital presence of the association. For this reason,



Friends of Mmabana at instagram

an online meeting of the social media team took place at the end of 2020 with the aim of better coordinating communication via our channels, to proceed in a more structured manner in the future and therefore to meet regularly for online meetings. The team also wants to discuss more extensively the development of new interesting contributions. Of course, we will continue to provide information about activities and developments at the Friends and at Mmabana. But the view beyond the edge of our association work, into the Zambian culture and also into the exciting intercultural exchange in our world seems to us worthwhile! So, in this area, interesting people and actions should also have their say, through which we want to see ourselves as part of a global community and for which we want to be a place of encounter on our digital channels.

In concrete terms, this means that here, many disciplines come together, and we are happy to be able to combine expertise in different areas - but a lot is also about trying things out and having the courage to go for it. People with social media affinity, website tinkers, copywriters, the well-read and people with experience work together here to provide exciting insights.

In this way, we want to give regular updates about our work and that of Mmabana in Zambia in a well-founded, reflective, impartial, and far from cliché manner, publish posts on exciting topics, as well as share inspiring links.

With growing teams, we are succeeding in this endeavour more and more. The social media team, just like other working groups, is subject to constant development and is always happy – in addition to the loyal

commitment of some staff members - to welcome new interested people who want to get involved in our public relations work and contribute new input, ideas and suggestions.

General Meeting in Spring

Despite everything, of course, the regular general meetings are also planned for this year. The first will take place as usual in spring 2021, at which elections will be held according to the rotation. Again, we will come together online.

Kirchentag

After our very successful joint participation with the Freundeskreis St. Peter's Child Care e.V. at the Kirchentag 2019 in Dortmund, many people were already tingling in their fingers to plan and implement an equally great Kirchentag stand in Frankfurt in 2021. Unfortunately, we have received news from the organisation team of the Kirchentag that the program will be more compact, more digital, and again completely rebuilt in view of the pandemic. Therefore, our booth concept of 2019 at the Youth Centre with the great gastronomic offer cannot be implemented this time. The team of Kirchentag from Friends of Mmabana has concluded that it would cost a lot of energy to develop another concept and the benefit of public relations and financial turnover would probably remain low. The extent to which participation in this year's Kirchentag might nevertheless be possible for us is still under dis-

cussion. Up-to-date information will be available via the newsletter and the other digital channels.

Our Finances

The past year has also challenged us financially, only to end on a conciliatory note. The development of membership fees (1) is positive: several long-time members who joined Mmabana during their studies have meanwhile settled down professionally and decided to increase their membership fees. We are very grateful for this!

Conversely, in 2020 we had much less opportunity to start fundraising campaigns, or even to receive collections from church congregations. Thus, when adjusted for the income received during the „Carbage Rally“ (see below), donations decreased significantly to €15,688.27 (2).

The „Carbage Rally“ project was only accounted for last year, and as a result some items are significantly higher than in previous years - in the table these are marked with (3). As expected, the campaign ended with a „black zero“ for Mmabana.

Finally, we were also able to financially complete the aforementioned construction of the Media and Learning Centre for children and youth with the support of the Baden-Württembergische Stiftung Entwicklungs-Zusammenarbeit. In March, it was also decided to build a wall, a guard house, and an outdoor kitchen, which was not included in the original plan. The total cost of the project, from the purchase of the land to the inauguration, amounts to € 30,020.00 (4). We owe further donations to the DONAMUS Foundati-

on, family and friends of Bernd Ramsauer and many others. Many thanks!

2020 has also brought a decline in the value of the Zambian Kwacha. This explains why, despite the increased funding needs of Mmabana in Zambia, mainly due to the Corona Network Project, a lower amount of Euros was ultimately transferred than in 2019 (5).

In 2020, Friends of Mmabana also achieved a slight revenue surplus. In the past, we have saved up for a project house, and wanted to be prepared for additional costs in this regard. This has now proven itself in two respects in the past year: Not only were we able to finance the sensible extensions to the project house, but we were also able to respond to the pandemic and help to realise the Corona Network Project, which was designed with such commitment by our partner. For the future, we are currently considering in Germany and in Zambia how to expand Mmabana's offers - because the finances allow it.

Revenue	2018	2019	2020	
Real membership fees	7.322,00 €	8.452,00 €	9.421,00 €	(1)
Grants from authorities	0	15.000,00 €	0	
Other grants	0	3.400,00 €	1.400,00 €	
Other non-material income	546,38 €	- €	- €	
Grants received (donations)	21.363,83 €	17.246,09 €	21.928,84 €	(2)
Allocated/split income non-material area	0	338,00 €	99,00 €	
Contributions in kind against donation receipt	- €	164,91 €	0	
Income from fringe benefits	0	24,67 €	0	
Revenue consumption meals 19%	0	92,98 €	0	
Sales revenue donation in kind	0	4.529,00 €	1.971,00 €	

Total income	29.232,21 €	49.247,65 €	34.819,84 €	
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34.247,65 €

Expenditure	2018	2019	2020	
Rent and lease	-185,00 €	-851,50 €	-100,00 €	
Incidental expenses (electricity, gas, heating, cleaning)	0	0	-40,00 €	
Other costs	0	-12,99 €	-48,64 €	
Car repairs	0	0	-1.479,03 €	(3)
Other non-material costs	-47,24 €	-237,75 €	-905,32 €	
Flyers, advertising posters, donation boxes	-56,17 €	0	0	
Association notices	0	-54,69 €	-145,00 €	
Current vehicle operating costs	0	0	-1.465,82 €	(3)
Costs of advertising T-shirts, stickers, etc.	-91,75 €	-266,56 €	0	
Costs for display cases, information stand, advertising space	-41,58 €	0	-29,92 €	
Transport costs	0	-296,40 €	-1.307,40 €	(3)
Entertainment costs (food, beverages, etc)	-92,68 €	-201,99 €	-1.144,31 €	(3)
Other merchandise	0	-21,00 €	0	
Postage, telephone, DSL	-29,00 €	-71,50 €	-134,55 €	
Account management	-28,60 €	-130,40 €	-110,40 €	
Internet costs (domain, server etc.)	-34,50 €	-30,00 €	-30,89 €	
Legal and court costs	0	-25,53 €	-25,59 €	
Training costs	0	0	-16,00 €	
Office supplies/material	0	-16,99 €	-6,05 €	
Membership administration costs	-178,39 €	-33,49 €	-32,00 €	
Insurance premiums	-117,00 €	-59,50 €	0	
Donations / grants paid	-17.210,00 €	-18.500,00 €	-17.847,88 €	(5)
Construction of Media and Learning Centre	0	-23.400,00 €	-6.620,00 €	(4)
Office equipment	0	-164,91 €	- €	

Total expenses:	-18.111,91 €	-44.375,20 €	-31.488,80 €	
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Work in Germany	-514,42 €	-1.942,88 €	-6.665,44 €	(3)
	2,8%	4,4%	21,2%	
Support Zambia	-17.327,00 €	-42.124,41 €	-24.467,88 €	
	95,7%	94,9%	77,7%	
Administration costs	-270,49 €	-307,91 €	-355,48 €	
	1,5%	0,7%	1,1%	

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VoBa account balance (main account) as of 31.12.	33.019,12 €	37.949,17 €	41.112,78 €	
VoBa account balance (1000 drawings) as of 31.12.	2.394,43 €	2.336,83 €	2.278,26 €	
Cash account balance as of 31.12.	197,50 €	197,50 €	197,50 €	
Paypal account balance as of 31.12.	- €	- €	226,00 €	

TOTAL	35.611,05 €	40.483,50 €	43.814,54 €	
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How You Can Support Us

Mmabana-Goodies

The collection of wonderful Mmabana-Goodies – designed and sewn by our member Monique Dalka – is growing more and more. Besides bags you can also order loop scarves, mouth-nose masks and laptop sleeves. So, if you are looking for colourful and a bit unusual gifts, there is no way around it!

All goodies are made of fabrics from Zambia and South Africa. Since Monique Dalka donates her work to us, we can forward 100% of the proceeds to Mmabana in Choma.

You can order your Mmabana goodies by sending an email to goodies@mmabana.org.

Prices:

- 10 € per bag (member price: 8 €)
- 7 € per loop scarf
- 5 € per mouth-nose-mask
- 22 € per laptop sleeve (dimensions: 36 x 25 cm - 41 x 29 cm - 45,5 x 31 cm)

Donate Without Additional Costs When Shopping Online

Online shopping is more current than ever! And also here you can support Mmabana at the same time!

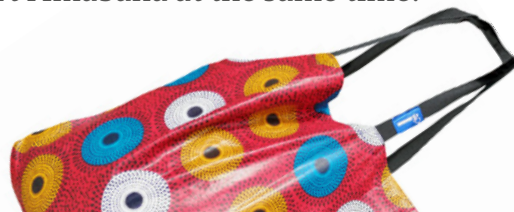
Namely with Gooding.de. In over 1,300 affiliated online stores - including bahn.de, Flixbus, ebay, Zalando, redcoon, Saturn & Media-Markt and many more - you can donate part of the purchase amount to Friends of Mmabana Deutschland e.V. through your online purchases. The good thing about this is that you will not incur any additional costs. Simply open your online store via Gooding.de and select our association as the project to be supported. From then on, everything runs as usual and after the purchase is completed, a few euros will be credited to our association.

Amazon Smile

You can also support Mmabana by shopping on Amazon. To do this, simply go to the Amazon store via smile.amazon.de, select Friends of Mmabana Deutschland e.V. as the organisation to be supported and start shopping. You continue to use your existing Amazon account, have the same product selection, the same prices, only that you donate a few percent of the purchase value to our association.

Become a Member

Becoming a member of Friends of Mmabana Deutschland e.V. is a meaningful and sustainable commitment, whether through financial or active support. And it can also be a great gift idea that supports our co-operation with Mmabana.



Information on Transparency

Friends of Mmabana Germany e.V.

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Year of foundation: 2010

Donation account

Friends of Mmabana Germany e.V.
Volksbank Karlsruhe
IBAN: DE17 6619 0000 0010 2130 29
BIC: GENODE61 KA1

Personnel structure of the association and key decision makers

Friends of Mmabana Deutschland e.v. is a purely volunteer-run association and has no paid staff. Around 15 people are regularly involved in Mmabana on a voluntary basis, including 4 members of the board:

Louis Hesse – 1st chairman
Lena Kawele – 2nd chairwoman
Sonja Knüdel – treasurer
Benjamin Schoppe – Secretary

Social connection with third parties

Our partner is the Mmabana Community Outreach Project of Choma, Zambia.

Individuals whose annual payment represents more than 10% of total income

There are no regular contributions from legal entities or individuals that account for more than 10% of annual revenue. Individuals whose contribution in 2020 (each) accounted for more than 10% of total income are the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Zurich (12.3%) and two private individuals (15.6% and 10.0%, respectively). All grants were donations (without consideration).

Acknowledgement

We have experienced the last year under very different conditions. Restrictions of any kind and long periods of waiting and uncertainty were certainly known to few of us before. The danger of getting rusty – both physically and mentally – was not really small. And yet we can look back on a lively hustle and bustle: two general meetings (half of them online), 10for10 events (Corona-compliant!), many lines of text researched, written and communicated, many hours of organisational work, encouraging conversations, red-hot phone lines, flat-surfed bandwidths and mailboxes full of emails. And all this with, from and through you!

On this occasion, we would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all those involved, to you. An invaluable thank you to the so important donors and members - who perhaps even with less income this year - have continued to support the work in Choma. Thank you for every good word and every support in 2020 and thank you for supporting the idea and work of Mmabana and choosing to be a part of it.

The texts of this annual report were written by Megan Duddek, Louis Hesse, Lena Kawele, Sonja Knüdel, Andreas Knüdel, Emmanuel Mudenda, Benjamin Schoppe and Julia Wrogemann.

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