



**HRIF**  
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# ANNUAL REPORT 2017



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# FOREWORD



It is with great gratitude that I look back on 2017. As you can read in this report, a lot has happened again. Sometimes it amazes me myself how many goods have been shipped to people in need.

Unfortunately, our work is still crucial. The situation in countries such as Syria, Iraq and the surrounding countries is still worrying. Thousands of people are seeking refuge from violence, natural disasters or hunger.

That is why we continue. You may wonder if it is of any use. Whether it really makes a difference on a global scale of misery...

But that depends on how you look at it. To us, every human being counts. Every human being in need is worth taking action for. To stand up for and make sure that help is on its way, sometimes with sweat on your back. For it is not just that coat, that pair of trousers or shoes. It is also a sign that someone is thinking of you. Amidst all misery someone is thinking of you, comforting you with a warm pullover. It is a kind of postcard without words, but the message is loud and clear: we see you and you are not alone.

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**FOREWORD**  
MAX VEENSTRA

An annual report shows what you have done and achieved during the past year. Figures are part of that. But deep inside it is the people in need who motivate us. Every human being counts. Whether there were more or less than the previous year is less important...

We thank all people, churches and companies that have contributed to the many transports. Without them it would not have been possible. A word of thanks does not do justice to all the work that has been done. You really should join us for a day in our depot in Weesp, to see all the work that is done. As this is not possible for everyone, we try to provide the best picture possible in this report.

If you, as a reader, should have any questions about this report, please feel free to contact us.

We enter 2018 confidentially and eagerly. We are eager to be a beacon of hope for people in need. Together with you we will make the difference.

Max Veenstra





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## ABOUT US

HRIF

HRIF was founded in 1997 with the main purpose of helping people in need worldwide. HRIF's focus is to help people in vulnerable situations with clothes and goods to provide the primary necessities of life. For this, we acquire goods, sort them in our depot in Weesp and take care of distribution and transport.

In a word, we collect goods from companies, institutes, organizations etc. Together with local partners we determine which goods can be used in their distribution projects. Local organizations have a clear picture of where help is needed the most. They also take care of a fair distribution of the goods.

HRIF works together with local customs and authorities with regard to import rules and regulations. The goods are distributed among the most vulnerable groups, such as children, women and the elderly. HRIF mostly sends clothes, shoes, blankets, food, medical equipment, medicines and furniture.

But when, for instance, we receive a batch of toys, these are sent to children in war zones. From the West it may seem that toys are not a primary necessity of life, but for children it playing is a way of

copied with what they have been through. For this reason, being able to play with toys may be life-changing for them.

The impact of sending and distributing relief goods in emergency and development projects is incredible. Receivers of help indicate over and over again that receiving help is a sign of hope in a desperate situation.

The warehouse and the office of HRIF are in Weesp (just outside Amsterdam). Here, we are working daily with a small team of permanent employees and a group of volunteers.

For more information on HRIF you can contact us. You can also go to our website [www.hrif.nl](http://www.hrif.nl) or to our Facebook page.





## ABOUT US

### BOARD



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Board member





# MISSION & VISION

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## MISSION & VISION

HRIF

### MISSION:

HRIF acquires relief goods to distribute them among vulnerable people such as: children, women, the elderly etc. These goods mostly comprise clothes, shoes, blankets, food and medicines.

### VISION:

HRIF's vision is to support people worldwide, especially those who live in emergency areas, including areas affected by war, domestic refugees and natural disasters..

# REALIZATION OF OBJECTIVES 2017

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OBJECTIVES OF 2017

For 2017 we had set a number of objectives:

1. Acquire more goods compared to 2016
2. Increasing the value per transport compared to 2016
3. Increasing CSR activities



Below, we give the result over 2017 for each objective

### 1. ACQUIRE MORE GOODS AS COMPARED TO 2016

In 2016, HRIF acquired 2241 pallets of goods. In 2017 there were 2944, so we succeeded in receiving over 31% more goods in 2017 as compared to 2016.

### 2. INCREASING THE VALUE PER TRANSPORT AS COMPARED TO 2016

In 2016, HRIF sent 113 trucks with goods to projects. The total value of the goods amounted to € 6,956,411, which comes down to a mean value of € 61,561.16 per transport.

In 2017, HRIF sent 126 trucks to projects with a total value of: € 6,126,939. The mean value per transport was € 48,626.50. Unfortunately, the value per transport has decreased as compared to 2016. This is because HRIF shipped fewer medicines abroad.



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### 3. INCREASING CSR ACTIVITIES

In 2017 we were visited by 3 companies that jointly committed themselves to the foundation for a day. It is great to see that the commitment of companies to working on team building this way is growing each year.





# OBJECTIVES FOR 2018

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OBJECTIVES HRIF HAS FOR 2018

**1.**

The past year, HRIF has started a football project in Lesotho, Africa. The purpose of this project is to motivate children through football to go to school and choose the right path. In 2018 we want to increase our focus in Africa and start several sports projects. We also want to send more medicines to Africa in 2018.

**2.**

The coming year HRIF wants to send 150 transports abroad.

**3.**

As our activities are growing and more and more goods are coming in, we will go looking for a larger warehouse.



A photograph of four children playing soccer in a dusty, open field. In the foreground, a boy in a green long-sleeved shirt and dark pants is kicking a soccer ball. To his left, another boy in a dark hoodie and black pants is watching. To the right, a boy in a grey sweater and black pants is also watching. In the background, a smaller child is visible. The ground is dry and rocky, and there is some debris in the distance.

# HIGHLIGHTS 2017

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A FEW OF OUR HIGHLIGHTS

- We have been able to improve the quality of the goods considerably by acquiring goods specifically and investing in an acquisition of A-brands.
- HRIF has received several certificates of approval from the ministry of Moldova.
- We are also grateful for the fine collaborations we had in the past year. Together with other foundations we have been able to help each other for projects on Lesbos, in Iraq and Suriname and also here in the Netherlands for children of asylum seekers.
- As we received many more pallets during the past year, we have decided to purchase a trailer. This means we can collect more cargos in less time.

# STORY HABIBA

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HABIBA - IRAQ

This is Habiba (left), 12 years old and living in the Kawrgosk Refugee Camp with her 4 brothers and sisters. They walked from Qamishlo, Syria to Northern Iraq (some 300 km). They left in 2013, as their city was being bombed.

*"My mother has a kidney disease and cannot see well" Habiba says.  
"But now we have soup, clothing and toys."*

'My mother has a kidney disease and cannot see well', Habiba says. 'But now we have soup, clothing and toys.' Habiba wants to become an architect when she grows up, so she can help rebuild her city.

Habiba's happy face tells us that she is very happy with the clothes, shoes, toys and food she received.



# STATISTICS 2017

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2017



**2944 PALLETS**  
received in our  
warehouse



**648.749 KILOS**  
goods received in our  
warehouse



**€ 6.126.939**  
value of goods in the  
warehouse



**3128 HOURS**  
voluntary hours



**126 FREIGHTS**  
sent abroad

# CHARTS DIFFERENCES 2016 - 2017

## 2016



## 2017



CHARTS DIFFERENCE 2016 - 2017  
COMPARISON



2016



pallets received in  
our warehouse



goods received in hour  
warehouse

€ 6.956.411



value of goods in the  
warehouse

2500 HOURS



2500 voluntary  
hours



freights sent abroad

2017



pallets received in  
our warehouse



goods received in hour  
warehouse

€ 6.126.939



value of goods in the  
warehouse

3128 HOURS



3128  
voluntary hours



freights sent abroad

# CHARTS DIFFERENCES 2016 - 2017

One of the main goals in 2016 was to increase the number of donations in goods. It's with great pleasure to see that HRIF received 31,37% more goods in 2017 than in 2016.

The value of goods is lower because we received less medicines in 2017.

HRIF continues to grow in activities and luckily also in volunteers.



# CONTACT DETAILS

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