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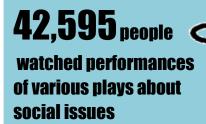


**16,898** clients were seen in clinics/mobile clinics in Port Vila, Luganville, Southern Malekula and North Pentecost

61,767 CONDOMS DISTRIBUTED **9317** people were engaged in peer education sessions in Port Vila, Luganville, and North Pentecost

30,960
Resources
were
distributed to
16
countries
around the
world

24,426 healthy and nutritious lunches were provided free of charge to 2010 beneficiaries 5081 patients provided with primary healthcare services





3185 people

were interviewed or surveyed from schools and communities for M&E purposes



1934 youth were registered/took part in workshops in;

Port Vila, Luganville, and North Pentecost

17,000 plastic bags of rubbish were transported to the local dump from neighbouring communities

# **Executive Summary**

**Background:** Wan Smolbag Theatre (WSB) has been operating in Vanuatu since 1989 and currently employs over 100 people in its 3 locations in Port Vila, Luganville, and North Pentecost. While the use of drama to raise awareness on sensitive issues remains at the heart of WSB's work, current activities range widely from; environmental conservation, sports, reproductive and sexual health services and youth work. Wan Smolbag Theatre receives core funding the Australian Aid Programme, New Zealand Aid Programme and Oxfam.

**Purpose of Report:** This report outlines the key achievements of WSB programs between January and December 2016. Activities are reported on as per the agreed five-year plan with Australian Aid Programme, the New Zealand Aid Programme and Oxfam. This reports purpose is to provide a full reflection on and report of every activity WSB has undertaken in 2016 as well as examining the positive outcomes and changes as a result of each area of programing's activities.

**Methodology:** Output and activities information is provided by each program area, based on internal records, databases and observation. Information on outcomes are largely based on observation and anecdotal evidence from each program. Wan Smolbag's research team also conducted surveys, interviews and focus group discussions to gather data about various plays, governance and environmental programs, films, health and Youth Centre activities in 2016. This research has been integrated into each program area's findings.

Key Program Outcomes for January-December 2016: Wan Smolbag's ongoing activities have contributed to a variety of changes in the knowledge, attitudes and behaviours of people WSBs works and interacts with. Some of the reported outcomes are a result of specific activities that have occurred in 2016, while others have transpired from longer-term interaction with WSB's programs. Key outcomes seen in the past twelve months include;

 Ongoing recovery from TC Pam and 15/16 El Niño: Outcomes achieved in 2016 continued to be influenced by the impacts of TC Pam and the El Niño event which severely effected communities surrounding WSB. WSB continued to assist people

# Main Areas of Programming



Creative Media that aims to promote individual, community, and societal reflection, engagement, and dialogue.

Youth and Community that aims to promote responsibility, wellbeing and resilience in young people and their communities.

**Health** that aims to improve the health and wellbeing of individuals and communities.

**Environment** that aims to promote environmental sustainability and community resource management.

**Governance** that aims to promote good governance, leadership and accountability across all of society.

Communications, Research and Policy that aims to create an evidence base for policy and programs, and promote individual and societal engagement and dialogue. from these communities to recover from this event and assisted them in sourcing water (as WSB has two water tanks and water supply that are open to the communities) providing workshops on food preservation and drought resistant gardening. From February to July 2016 the WVV UNP program provided 24,426 healthy, nutritious meals, free of charge to 2010 beneficiaries. Many of these beneficiaries had lost their gardens in TC Pam and had trouble re-establishing them due to the severe El Niño that followed. 70% of participants in the feeding program were from vulnerable groups such as; children under 12 years of age, unemployed youth, pregnant women, the elderly and people with disability. These healthy and nutritious meals assisted community members to 'get back on their feet' and recover in the wake of TC Pam and the strong El Niño that followed. The feeding program also moved into a second 'agricultural phase' in the second half of 2016, which was aimed at getting community members to use the same types of drought resistant crops that had been cooked with in the feeding program. WSBs garden was transformed into a 'show garden' open to nearby communities, and aimed to be a resource for teaching community members new resilient gardening techniques, such as 'raised garden beds', mulching and composting. One community garden was set up in Chief Lally community and a water tank was donated to the community as part of the project. The additional general health care service that the KPH clinic continued to offer post TC Pam, assisted the communities to recover from TC Pam and the drought that followed, as it provided a free and confidential health service to the community members. Extending this service also helped alleviate the burden of already overstretched health centres in Port Vila as well providing an accessible service for people in the Tagabe/Black sands area. Ongoing planting of vetiver grass from WSBs nursery to combat river bank and costal erosion post TC Pam continued in 2016.

Creative media: Over the past 12 months, Wan Smolbag theatre groups performed different plays exploring a variety of social, political, environmental and health issues. Audiences for the major theatre productions, reported that the plays highlighted real-life issues in an accessible, engaging and entertaining way. WSBs new play had a political theme and 'Hotel Kaliforna' premiered in June 2016. After watching the play, audience members reported reflecting on the effects corruption has on society in Vanuatu. WSB also brought back 'Kakae Rat' for a second season due to its popularity. Audience members reported that the issues touched on in the play mirrored issues that they faced in their own lives. These included environmental issues: waste management and pollution; others reported that the play made them reflect on issues of; corruption, financial schemes, alcohol and kava abuse, health, sanitation and crime. Others audience members reported considering issues surrounding; forced marriage, bride price, ill treatment of adopted children and human rights abuses after viewing the play. WSB launched its 8th and final season of Love Patrol in 2016. Due to the series popularity and its appeal to regional audiences, the LP series was distributed to local TV stations across the Pacific and continues to screen in; PNG, Australia, Fiji, Solomon Islands, Cook Islands Palau, Niue and Samoa. As production of the LP series has been completed, WSB has shifted its focus to completing individual film projects and in 2016 the film department produced four feature films. The completed films were screened to many community members both locally and internationally in 2016.

- Youth and Community: Youth in Port Vila, Luganville and Southern Pentecost have participated in WSBs youth centres and have improved their wellbeing, knowledge, confidence and skill set. Youth participation in centre activities has also led to some youth reducing their drug, kava and alcohol intake. Participating in youth centre activities, has provided young people with access to knowledge on sexual and reproductive health, general health/ wellbeing, nutrition, sanitation as well as providing additional information on relationships, risky behaviours and life skills. Taking part in sports activities has increased youth fitness, confidence, team work and in some cases, has had an influence on reducing instances of anti-social behaviour in youth that attend the centre. Both men and women are encouraged to participate in sports activities and WSB sports teams won medals at both national and international competitions in; hockey, boxing, basketball and futsal. The 'Youth Drama' group and the 'UNICEF Project' provided avenues for youth at the centre to participate in activities that helped educate the wider community on issues such as domestic violence and vaccination. Youth reported that they had developed confidence, leadership, facilitation and communication skills after participating in these programs. Participation in daily classes at the centre helped many youth advance their skills to such a level that they were able to develop their own small business to supplement their income or have found jobs that align with their new-found skill set in; sewing, catering, IT, arts and performance arts. Other youth in the literacy class report receiving a 'second chance at education' and as a result some have been able to return to formal schooling after gaining literacy skills required from the class.
- Health: The clinical services WSB provides, continue to meet the needs of vulnerable community members, particularly young people and women. The specialised sexual and reproductive health services offered are complemented by the work of the peer educators across all three sites. Many community members report being confident and comfortable to attend the clinic and seek additional information on sexual and reproductive health after contact with nurses, peer educators and other clinic staff. The general health service that the clinic offers, continues to be highly valued by community members as it is; easy to access, free and confidential. Young men and women in the VPride group continue to build their confidence and skills by taking part in workshops, conferences and peer education workshops.
- Environment: Awareness carried out in communities on sanitation and waste management has seen community members increase engagement with recycling and separation of waste. Through waste management awareness sessions in communities, community members regularly organise 'community clean up days'. WSB continues to provide a waste removal service every Tuesday to communities that are outside of the 'municipal rubbish collection zones'. Continued awareness on waste management through awareness sessions and plays on 'waste management and sanitation' for both school children and community sanitation committees continue to improve awareness of waste management issues and what can be done to address these issues. The Vanua-tai turtle monitor resource network continues to spread awareness on environmental issues across Vanuatu. The network continues to be involved in both reef and turtle conservation issues, participating in reef monitoring,

monitoring of turtle migration and nesting patterns as well as the establishment of and continued monitoring of turtle nest relocation pilot sites. Women are becoming more active within the network, with a women's 'sub-network' being established at the 2016 AGM. The subnetwork will provide additional support, where needed, to women monitors and focus on ways that women can specifically contribute to both terrestrial and marine conservation in their respective communities.

- Governance: In 2016, Governance activities focused on spreading awareness in communities across Vanuatu on; voter's rights, learning about the political system and the effects of corruption, population growth; its effects on resources and the environment as well as providing additional support to the corrections department for rehabilitation of offenders. Plays on domestic violence toured in Efate, Santo and Malekula which were accompanied with 'post-play workshops' on gender and domestic violence. The play and workshops caused audience members to reflect on; gender based violence and how domestic violence affects the family unit. In rural Malekula, 92.59 % of audience members surveyed reported learning about the 'Family protection Act' for the first time after watching the play. 'Stretem Rod Blong Jastis' activities continued to educate young people on 'sex and the law' through youth sports days. Many youth reported learning about; the family protection act, the definition of rape and sexual violence under the law, their rights when arrested and the role of a public solicitor, for the first time through these sports events. WSB continued to work closely with the corrections department and carried out workshops with 21 offenders, most of which were sexual offenders. The offenders workshop in Port Vila was held with detainees due to be released on parole, this workshop focused on; life skills, gender and reproductive health. The workshops in Santo were aimed at offenders who have committed premeditated sexual offences and were targeted at helping the offenders accept responsibility for their crimes as well as combating victim blaming. WSB continued to engage communities on governance awareness and prior to the January elections ran a series of workshops on Efate and Santo. These workshops were aimed at getting communities and community leaders to understand the roles and responsibilities of government and politicians as well as the effect that corruption can have on the community.
- Communications, Research and Policy: Despite funding cuts, WSB strives, where ever possible, to implement changes mentioned in its 'Road map for change' strategy. WSB continues to follow strong financial procedures and remains transparent and accountable to both donors, staff and beneficiaries. WSB uses both quantitative and qualitative methodologies and uses participatory research methods in each area of WSB programming. Maintaining a high level of monitoring and evaluation to the standards donors require, has remained a challenge with the loss of key M&E staff. However, WSB continues to conduct basic M&E processes using current staff familiar with the use of data collection technology such as Kobo. The loss of an M&E staff member that specialised in data analysis means that extra burden is placed on the scriptwriter and managers in developing questionnaires and interpreting the results. It has proven difficult to recruit replacement staff specialised in M&E, as there is a recognised shortage of MEAL officers in Vanuatu. If WSB is unable recruit a suitable replacement it will consider recruiting a MEAL officer on a consultant basis and will focus on producing a few in-depth pieces of research per year. IT continue to follow its contingency plan to ensure data and WSB IT assets remain protected.

### **Activity Highlights**

Activity highlights from January through December 2016 included;

- Ongoing recovery from TC Pam and 15/16 El Niño: WSB assisted vulnerable community members in their recovery from TC Pam and the severe El Niño that followed. In the process, WSB provided over 24,000 healthy nutritious meals for 2010 beneficiaries free of charge. As a follow-on from the feeding program, WSB and 'Green hands' installed a community garden and water tank in Chief Lally community, behind WSB. The garden focused on drought resistant crops and gardening techniques. Over 5000 people were treated for general ailments such as cough, diarrhoea, red eye, sores and injuries in Port Vila, Pentecost and Malekula.
- Creative media: Major theatre productions attracted over 5000 people over a three-month period in Port Vila. Plays in community settings reached over 37,000 people on Efate, Malekula and Santo. Love Patrol 8 was premiered and LP 1-7 continued to be screened on TV stations across the Pacific. Four new films were produced, two of which were commissioned by outside projects. Almost 5000 community members viewed WSBs films in both urban and rural film screenings, these screenings were often accompanied by workshops based on topics touched on by the films. One of WSB films also received international recognition and was screened at film festivals in; Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand. Over 30,000 of WSB publications resources were distributed in Vanuatu as well as internationally. These resources included educational and informative DVDs, pamphlets, comic books and books.
- Youth and Community: The youth centres in Port Vila, Luganville and Southern Pentecost, offered a range of confidence and skill building classes and activities to over 1900 young people. A varied and relevant range of activities and classes were offered at the youth centres including; literacy, nutrition, sewing, dance, arts and computer. WSBs sports teams continued to complete and place in both national and international competitions. The nutrition centre continued to teach youth and community members about the value of healthy, locally sourced and grown food. Some youth from these classes gained employment through the WVV feeding program and later used these skills to gain employment in the hospitality industry.
- Health: Clinics in Port Vila, Luganville and Southern Pentecost provided sexual and reproductive health services (including STI testing, contraceptive provision, cervical screening and counselling) to over 10,978 people in 2016. KPH ran an additional outreach services in rural/peri-urban areas on Efate and in rural Malekula. This service reached a total of 954 people with both SRH and general health care. Peer educators reached 9317 people with their community peer education program and reached 4601 people with more targeted workshops on life skills and sexual and reproductive health on Efate, Santo and Pentecost. These workshops targeted sex workers, construction workers, school

groups and MSM. Over 60,000 condoms were distributed by WSB nurses and Peer Educators in 2016.

- Environment: WSBs waste management department continued to work closely with schools, community members and the Port Vila Urban Development Project and reached 1314 school children and community members through awareness sessions on recycling and waste management. The waste management department collected 17,000 bags of rubbish from peri-urban communities that are unable to afford to pay for their own rubbish collection. Health Force theatre group continued to complement the work of the waste management officer in communities and assisted by performing plays on waste management and sanitation to 7877 community members on Efate and Santo. Over 500 monitors across Vanuatu continue to be active in the Vanua-tai turtle monitoring network. Two turtle nest relocation pilot sites have been successful and the relocation programme will continue with further testing, expansion and development on two key nesting sites in Malekula. Monitors continue to collect data on and protect reefs and conservation areas in their communities. Continued work on improving resilience in 5 target communities on Efate and two on Malekula has resulted in; 5 CDCCCs being set up, four community water systems installed and workshops carried out with 2559 community members on; resilience, climate change, sanitation, disaster preparedness, resilient gardening techniques, food preservation and gender. 378 people in rural Malekula also have tri-monthly access to general as well as sexual and reproductive health care as part of this project.
- Governance: Plays on domestic violence and child protection issues were toured and performed for 4974 audience members and more in depth post-play workshops were also carried out with community members on Malekula, Santo and Efate. In rural Malekula, over 90% of audience members reported learning about the 'Family protection Act' for the first time after watching WSBs Domestic Violence play. Election awareness workshops were held with 2496 community members on Efate. WSBs films on politics and elections were screened to 4768 community members on Malekula, Santo and Efate. Good governance workshops, focused on; governance and population were held with 3851 people on Efate, Ambrym and Santo. Targeted workshops were held with 21 detainees in Santo and Efate aimed at getting the detainees to understand that their offences were against the law and understand how their offences impacted on their victims, families and the wider community.
- Communications, Research and Policy: WSB remains financially transparent and accountable to both donors and staff members through its financial procedures and reporting. Changes in project management have also resulted in more efficient delivery of program objectives. A new, revamped and user friendly website was launched in late 2016. The research department shifted from manual data entry and continues to focus on using new data collection technologies, for both data collection and safe online storage of data.

#### **Key Challenges/Risks**

Several challenges were identified in different program areas. Recovery from TC Pam continued in 2016 and the El Niño/ drought in early 2016, placed additional strain on not only WSBs prime beneficiaries from communities surrounding WSB, but also on WSB staff and resources. WSBs response was to extend its feeding program, resilience activities and agricultural programs. Other more usual challenges faced, included: participation of community members and stakeholders; staffing issues; participation of both genders; duty of care, especially to young people; participation across genders, space for activities; health supplies; funding for additional activities. Funding cuts in 2016 also required a responsive and flexible management team. The core management team came up with plans to reduce spending without termination of staff as well as limiting the impact of these cuts on core program activities.

#### **Lessons Learned**

Lessons learned over this period have included strengthening Wan Smolbag towards being more resilient against future shocks and climatic events. Wan Smolbag learned to adapt quickly to the needs of nearby communities in the context of the cyclone recovery and the El Niño event which followed it. WSB needs to remain flexible and creative when dealing with large numbers of youth and small spaces, and continues to improve the facilities available at the youth centre. Efforts have been made towards making monitoring more efficient, through automation and use of electronic devices, to improve productivity of existing staff.

#### **Gender Inclusion**

Wan Smolbag actively promotes inclusion of boys and girls, men and women in their activities. At present, WSB almost has an even number of female and male staff and 4 out of 6 members of the central management team are female. Strong female figures are abundant at WSB and females continue to occupy key roles such as; senior lead actresses, program coordinators, peer education coordinator, nutrition centre manager, script writer and project managers as well as key senior finance staff. It has been noted that females tend to speak out more than men at key WSB meetings such as the WSB AGM, a dynamic that would typically not be seen in other organisations in Vanuatu due to 'societal gender norms' that are prevalent in Vanuatu. Gender inclusion in film, nutrition, sports and have also resulted in women feeling comfortable to participate in all aspects of WSBs activities.

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# Context and program relevance in Vanuatu

History: Wan Smolbag Theatre (WSB) was started by a small group of actors in 1989. While drama remains at the heart of WSB's activities, the organisation has expanded over the past 25 years and has become a service provider to many peri-urban and rural communities across Vanuatu. Current WSB programming has a wide scope and ranges from; environmental conservation, sports, reproductive and sexual health services, youth work and good governance. WSB currently employs 107 people across is three centres, Port Vila, Luganville, and North Pentecost. The primary activities of WSB are outlined below:

Dialogue, engagement, reflection and empowerment: Using performance, theatre, media, publications and open engagement/ discussion with communities, WSB encourages an open dialogue on sensitive issues such as discrimination based on gender, sexual orientation and disability. The use of these tools to achieve social change, sets WSB apart from other organisations and their approaches to accomplish positive attitudinal changes in Vanuatu communities. WSB also initiates engagement on sensitive issues such as reproductive health, family planning and domestic violence, and inform communities and community leaders of legal rights, from the use of the family protection act, to knowing their rights when interacting with the police and judicial system. Through WSBs governance program, communities and community leaders are engaged and empowered to consider and discuss electoral rights, political issues and corruption. Through the use of community theatre and community education techniques, WSB promotes individual, community and societal responsibility, wellbeing and change in all of its work.

Support for youth: Youth make up the majority of the population in Vanuatu, and many young people leave school before obtaining formal qualifications. Unemployment is common, and there are limited opportunities for youth to obtain formal training. This means that many young people do not have much to do and often end up getting involved in crime or participating in other anti-social behaviours. WSB's youth centres deal with these issues by providing a safe, educational and positive environment where youth can express themselves and gain new skills. 'At risk youth' can find a creative outlet for their energy, explore their talents and promote their skills, creativity and knowledge, which can help them to achieve positive change and prepare them to move forward in life.



## Wan Smolbag's Mission

Creating awareness, dialogue and empowerment in a range of areas from governance, development, health and wellbeing, and resource management through a variety of approaches including sharing information, encouraging reflective practice, challenging attitudes, encouraging behavioural change, cultivating a sense of belonging and community, and decreasing stigma and discrimination.

Direct Assistance and Support
To people to improve their lives
and wellbeing, and to support
them in making a positive
contribution to their families,
communities, society and to the
governance of Vanuatu

Facilitating and fostering collaboration and engagement amongst a wide range of citizens and stakeholders including community leaders, policy makers, politicians, government, civil society and more marginalized communities and individuals.

**Health:** Vanuatu has a high teenage pregnancy rate as well as a high fertility rate. Vanuatu also has low rates of condom use and a high incidence of STIs. Societal 'norms' both customary and contemporary can act as barriers against young people seeking information and advice on STIs and relationships; it can also be seen as 'Taboo' to discuss these issues amongst family members. The WSB reproductive health clinics, all located at youth centre sites, provide free and confidential family planning and STI testing and treatment. Educational workshops and peer educators provide information and outreach on family planning and reproductive health.

Access to general health care remains problematic for communities in Vanuatu, even in urban areas. After TC Pam at the request of the MOH, WSB expanded its remit to general cases and a nurse specialised in general health care, now treats general cases free of charge in the upstairs section of the KPH clinic. WSBs Nursing staff also offer 'free outreach services' and are able to treat many patients in rural areas that otherwise would not, have been able to access health care in Efate, Malekula and Pentecost.

The WSB team also targets Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) through awareness and promotion of healthy lifestyles. Vanuatu has one of the highest incidences of diabetes in the world which has resulted from replacing traditional foods with imported and processed food. This has also contributed to the high prevalence of obesity and related health problems seen across Vanuatu. WSB's nutrition and sports centre provides education to promote a healthy diet and the youth centre provides sports clubs and facilities support a healthy exercise routine and lifestyle.

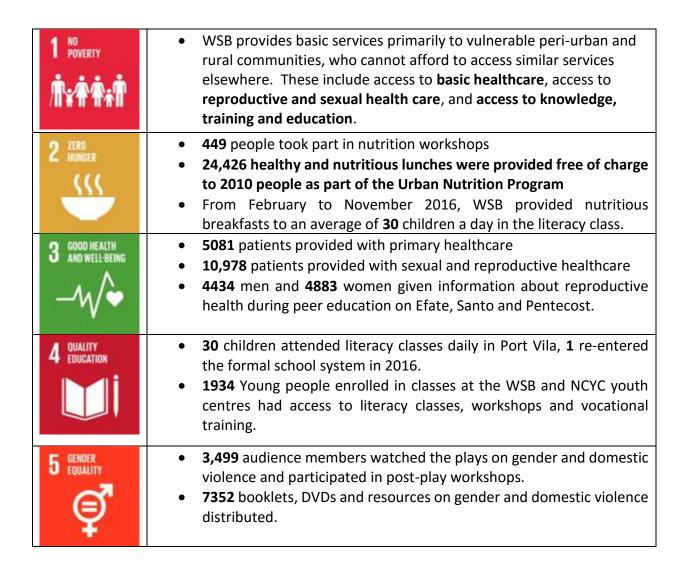
**Sustainability and conservation:** WSB manages a network of over 500 volunteers for the Vanuatai turtle monitoring network. This network collects information on turtle nesting and migratory patterns and engages in turtle conservation throughout the many islands of Vanuatu. It also engages with communities across different Vanuatu islands on environment conservation issues. Environmental activities within urban areas are adjusted to fit the required context. Environmental activities in peri-urban settings tend to be focused on waste management, recycling, and composting. As well as reducing the incidences of diseases resulting from poor sanitation, these waste management activities also reduce the environmental and financial costs of taking waste to landfill.

Roadmap for Change: With the support of New Zealand Aid, Australian Aid and Oxfam, WSB embarks on its 2014-2025 Roadmap for Change. This new reporting agreement grants WSB more flexibility in its work and greater responsiveness to community needs. In this context monitoring and evaluation of the organisation is primarily targeted towards internal evaluation of activities, to allow change through learning. The strategic plan identifies beneficiaries in seven areas, including: 1) communities, 2) vulnerable, marginalised and 'at risk' members of society, 3) youth, 4) WSB staff members, 5) community leaders, 6) Political leaders, Government and Policy Makers, and 7) Regional Audiences and institutions.

# Sustainable development goals in relation to Wan Smolbag activities in 2016



The table below looks at links between Wan Smolbag Theatre activity highlights in 2016 and relevant UNDP Sustainable Development Goals.



6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION	<ul> <li>17,928 audience members watched a play on the subject of good sanitation practices in toilet use and handwashing.</li> <li>2431 booklets on sanitation and handwashing were distributed.</li> <li>Four communities surrounding WSB have secure access to clean and safe drinking water.</li> </ul>
8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	<ul> <li>The WSB youth centre provides training for young people who are not in formal education. Their training can help them to create employment or income generation opportunities such as students from 'Vanua-fire' and 'Coconut Mix Up', these groups regularly perform at resorts around Port Vila and supplement their income from this.</li> </ul>
10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES	<ul> <li>14,224 audience members watched plays performed by an acting group comprised of 20 people with disability and their careers.</li> <li>1 documentary on actors and people with disability produced.</li> </ul>
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES	<ul> <li>5081 patients provided with primary healthcare.</li> <li>4434 men and 4883 women given information about reproductive health during peer education on Efate, Santo and Pentecost.</li> <li>2990 men and 1611 women given in depth information on life skills in workshops on Santo, Efate and Pentecost.</li> </ul>
12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION	<ul> <li>1,335 comics on waste segregation and management were distributed.</li> <li>2,626 audience members watched a play on waste management.</li> <li>Ongoing awareness on and maintenance of recycling cages in 15 communities.</li> </ul>
13 CLIMATE ACTION	<ul> <li>3,569 comic books on climate change and natural disaster preparedness were distributed.</li> <li>4,598 audience members watched 'Bae I kam' and play on cyclone preparation performed by Rainbow Disability Theatre.</li> <li>5 CDCCCs set up on rural Malekula and in peri-urban Efate.</li> </ul>
14 LIFE BELOW WATER	<ul> <li>Approximately 500 turtle monitors are part of the Vanua-Tai network throughout Vanuatu. These monitors raise awareness on environmental issues in their communities.</li> <li>2 successful nest relocation pilot sites resulting in over 200 successfully hatched Green and Hawksbill eggs on Malekula.</li> </ul>
16 PEACE AND JUSTICE STRONG INSTITUTIONS	<ul> <li>4204 audience members watched plays about domestic and attended post play workshops.</li> <li>24 detainees took part in workshops on life skills and SRH.</li> </ul>

# List of Acronyms

AIDS Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

CCECC Chinese Civil Engineering and Construction Company

CDCCC Community Disaster and Climate Change Committees

ECP Emergency Contraceptive Pills

FLE Family Life Education

IT Information Technology

KPH Kam Pussum Hed Clinic

LP Love Patrol

PLWD Persons Living with Disabilities

PNG Papua New Guinea

PVUDP Port Vila Urban Development Project

MSM Men who have Sex with Men

NCYC Northern Care Youth Centre/Clinic, Santo

NDMO National Disaster Management Office

NGO Non-Governmental Organisation

STI Sexually Transmitted Infection

SW Sex Workers

TC Pam Tropical Cyclone Pam

UNP Urban Nutrition Program

V-Pride Vanuatu Pride

WSB Wan Smolbag Theatre

WVV World Vision Vanuatu

# One year on from TC Pam

On March the 13<sup>th</sup> 2015 the category 5 Tropical Cyclone Pam (TC Pam) slammed into Vanuatu, causing widespread damage, destruction and flooding throughout the capital of Port Vila and both the central and southern provinces of Vanuatu. Wan Smolbag Theatre became a 'default evacuation centre' when it opened its doors to community members surrounding WSB who were seeking shelter, and housed 256 people, including 102 children, and two people with disabilities. WSB continued to assist these vulnerable peri-urban communities surrounding WSB through the post-Cyclone recovery phase. The recovery time from TC Pam was further drawn out due to the 2015- 16 El Niño event.

In 2016, WSB repaired damage to the WSB sports field resulting from TC Pam with the support of International Olympic Funds and the Port Vila CABINE club and also installed a generator with the help of Oxfam. WSB is in the process of retrofitting to become an official evacuation centre as part of an Oxfam funded resilience project. Digging of drainage to stop flooding of the centre in a future extreme weather event was also completed in 2016.

# World Vison Vanuatu Feeding Program

WSB together with WVV decided to continue the post TC Pam Urban Nutrition feeding Program (UNP) that Oxfam had started after TC Pam. Participants in the UNP reported reduced access to food in their homes in the wake of Cyclone Pam and the drought brought on by El Niño. The UNP enabled low-income communities in Port Vila to survive the extended period of food insecurity brought on by natural disaster followed by drought. In providing assistance during this critical period the UNP eased the burden on participants and allowed them the time to recover and move forward. From February to July 2016 the UNP program provided 24,426

healthy, nutritious meals, free of charge to 2010 beneficiaries.

As well as providing the communities with much needed healthy and nutritious food at a critical time, the increased demands on the nutrition centre, required rapid recruitment and training of staff. Many staff were youth that had attended the youth centres nutrition class and through this feeding program they gained not only employment, but also skills in large scale catering and management of a busy kitchen, which some youth used to gain employment at resorts around Vila.

"The program has been great for me, not only making new friends, the money and the food but also I have learnt lots about nutrition. I now know you that you should try and eat 'tri kaen kakae' every meal and try to have vegetables and something fresh if you can. It's not always possible but it helps to know what's healthy and what is not"- Minne Yallis, WSB youth employed by the UNP

While the program was aimed at all communities surrounding WSB Theatre, 'target groups' included children under 12 years of age, unemployed youth, pregnant women, the elderly and people with disability and 70% of beneficiaries accessing the program fell into these vulnerable demographics.

Additionally, WVV agreed to fund breakfasts for an average of 30 children a day in the literacy class until the end of



2016. Many children are enrolled in the literacy program because their families do not have enough money to pay for school fees and little money to send with their children for breakfast or lunch. The literacy teacher has noticed an improved level of concentration, performance and attendance in her students since the feeding program started. 80% of students enrolled in the literacy class reported not being able to afford breakfast/lunch and going without, prior to the feeding program. One student made the following comment to the literacy teacher, "Every morning I came to the literacy class to eat breakfast because I don't have enough food at my house. I have epilepsy so this food has really helped me, when I don't eat and miss meals it triggers my epilepsy". WSB has decided to allocate funding out of its Youth Centre budget to continue these breakfasts in 2017.



As the participants in the feeding program started to experience higher levels of employment, more growth in their gardens and cheaper prices in the markets towards mid-2016, the strain on many participants to find affordable food had reduced. One participant mentioned the following to WSB nutrition staff, "My wife and I first took part in the feeding program just after cyclone Pam and we have been attending the feeding days till now. My wife was pregnant, we both

were unemployed and did not have any garden left after cyclone Pam. We really did not know how we were going to get through. The feeding days helped us a lot. Since the start of the program, my wife has had a healthy baby and I am back in employment. The price of vegetables has gone down in the market and everybody seems to be slowly getting back on their feet, so it seems like a good time to stop the feeding program".

Once the UNP ended in late July, the program moved on to a second 'agricultural phase' aimed at urban agriculture and getting community members to use the same types of nutritious food in their own cooking, this second phase was also aimed at long term food security. Trialling drought resistant crops, urban gardening and agriculture techniques such as; shade, mulching and raised garden beds were also part of the program. Local agricultural NGO 'Green Hands'

teamed up with WSB to build a demonstration garden at WSB and worked with Chief Lally Community (with a population of 271, behind WSB) to build a community garden. As well as providing additional food security to the community, the garden also provided the community with an additional source of revenue as the community members were able to sell surplus crops from the garden to supplement their incomes.



Vetiver grass continues to be used by communities around WSB such as Chief Lally, Salva Bay and Tagabe Bridge and further afield in northern Efate to combat the costal and river bank erosion caused by TC Pam. In 2016, 309 plants were transplanted on the coast of Taloa, Nguna Island, alone. The vetiver grass is grown in WSBs nursery and community members are free to access as much as they need to combat erosion in their communities.

## Additional clinic services

After TC Pam at the request of the Ministry of Health (MOH), WSB expanded its remit to general health care at its KPH clinic. These services were very popular, appreciated by the communities surrounding WSB and were offered in addition to the regular SRH service. This service assisted some of the poorest people struggling to 'get back on their feet' after TC Pam. This service is the only free health service in the area and based on demand from community members, WSB management decided to continue the services through to the end of 2016.

"Almost all the clients I see have come to us as we are free service, even people as far away as Teouma and Boukura come to us. It's good we provide this service and I can see anywhere from 30-50 patients a day. Many patients comment that they like the service as it is efficient and free". Nurse Sophie reflecting on general services at the clinic

The additional health care service continues to operate out of the upper level of the KPH clinic.

This additional service resulted in consultations conducted with 4339 patients from January to December 2016 (52% female, 48% male). Common ailments treated at KPH included flu, sores and ulcers, cough, pneumonia and even cases of yaws and 40% of beneficiaries were under age 19. Communities reported that after TC Pam and during the El Niño many people, became ill due to lack of proper sanitation and nutrition. There were various outbreaks of 'red eye' and other viruses in early 2016 and the clinic provided a free service to people that otherwise would not have been able to afford treatment.

# Creative Media that aims to promote individual, community, and societal reflection, engagement, and dialogue.

Wan Smolbag Theatre continues to develop and produce high-quality creative media outputs, including theatre, film, and publications. **These media and theatrical productions facilitate** discussion and reflection regarding sensitive and contentious issues, and help to provide a platform for positive change.

## Major Theatre Production

#### **Kakae Rat**

Wan Smolbag's popular play 'Kakae Rat' made a comeback in 2016 and was its most successful season yet, almost all shows were sold out and a total audience of 2860 watched Kakae Rat over 13 performance dates. 'Kakae Rat' first premiered in 2015 and was hugely popular so the play was brought back for another season in 2016. While WSB staff were putting up posters for the play around town, a community member



commented; "I loved Kakae Rat last year, I can't wait to watch it again!" 27% of audience members surveyed in 2016 reported also watching Kakae Rat in 2015 and coming to watch it for a second time.

The storyline of 'Kakae Rat' centres around the main character being a large rat that wants to marry a human girl and audience members strongly connected with the play and the storyline. Many audience members reported experiencing similar issues touched on in the play in their own lives. One audience member commented, "The treatment of adopted children in this show made me think about my own life, I was adopted as a young girl and I saw my own life story in this play. It is really made me reflect on how my adopted family had treated me."

Audience members frequently reported thinking about a variety of current social issues after watching the play and reported discussing these with friends and family. These included environmental issues: waste management and pollution; others reported that the play made them reflect on issues of; corruption, financial schemes, alcohol and kava abuse, health, sanitation and crime and others reported considering issues surrounding; forced marriage, bride price, ill treatment of adopted children and human rights abuses. An audience member commented, "I came to the theatre last Saturday to watch Kakae Rat and thought it was one of

the best shows I've ever seen! I was also deeply impressed by the boys who opened the show with their dance too."

#### **Hotel Kalifonia**

Hotel Kalifonia premiered on the 29th of June 2016 to a full house. This new piece had a political theme and prompted audience members to think about issues surrounding; political corruption, vote buying, the current political system and political practices in Vanuatu. At the end of the theatre season, 2287 community members had viewed Hotel Kalifornia (1021 male and 1266 female).

This play was especially relevant in 2016, due to events that occurred in late 2015, when almost a third of Vanuatu's parliament (14 MPs) including the exprime minister were sentenced to prison terms for bribery. Hotel Kalifonia challenges audience members to think about the effect that continued corruption and political instability has on the country's economy and people. Hotel Kalifonia

"...I feel like these shows should be mandatory for all MPs to see. Great theatre holds a mirror up to society and some of these guys really need to see their own reflection" – Audience Member Hotel Kalifonia

"It is good to run these kind of plays because it helps our citizens to think about the kind of leadership they have and want. Leaders of our country should come and watch this play too, to help them work better."- Audience member Hotel Kalifornia

prompts viewers to think about how Vanuatu could easily follow in the footsteps of other countries in the 'Melanesian Arc of Instability,' if political corruption continues. It also looks at the possibility of disaffected, unemployed youth being the 'tinder' that could be used by unscrupulous politicians to spark off unrest.



82% of audience members reported that after viewing Hotel Kalifornia they reflected on corruption, miss-use of power and other governance issues facing Vanuatu's political system. One audience member commented "This show is about all the crooked ways that our leaders are using to run the country, it really made me think about all the problems facing Vanuatu politics today. This show really shows what real life is like in Vanuatu".

## Rainbow Disability Theatre

Rainbow disability theatre had an eventful year in 2016 and **reached audiences of 14,224 people on Efate and Malekula.** Their plays covered a variety of topics, including; living with disability, cyclone preparation, sanitation, education and domestic violence.



Rainbow Theatre were able to secure additional funding through the Australian High Commissions 'Direct Aid Program' (DAP) in early 2016. With this funding, Rainbow Theatre completed supplementary touring of 'Bae i Kam', a play about disaster preparedness communities on Efate that had been severely affected by TC Pam. After watching this play, audience members reported being more

aware about what to do before, during and after a cyclone with one audience member commenting; "we knew about these alerts, but during TC PAM we did not follow them and only prepared on red alert, now we know what to do on each alert, so if a cyclone comes we will be ready". Many other audience members also reported that prior to watching 'Bae I Kam', they did not know what the different cyclone warning colours meant and usually prepared during a red alert in a cyclone. The 'alerts game' that Rainbow played with audiences after each performance taught community members what to do during the 'blue, yellow and red cyclone alerts' (before, during and after a cyclone).

Rainbow also work to raise awareness on people living with disability and work to change negative attitudes and misconceptions that some people may have towards people living with disability. Rainbows disability awareness play 'Pikinini blong Seaview' is based on the life of an actor in Rainbow Theatre with cerebral palsy. Although he was born with a disability, it didn't stop his parents from loving him any less and they teach him to walk, talk and get him to kindy. 'Pikinini blong sea view' helps to educate community members about the rights of people with disabilities. This play was performed to 7920 audience members across Efate and Malekula in 2016. Audience members reported having their 'eyes opened' to issues that people with disability face on a daily basis. Post-performance, one community Chief told the actors, "I realise we have treated people with disability differently for many years. I feel very badly about this and I now realise our mistakes. It is true that people with disability are the same as able bodied people and should be treated as equals". In a follow up survey with audience members, many viewers reported realising that people with disability have the same rights as everyone else and all of the respondents indicated that they now believed that children with disability had the right to an education and needed to go to school regardless of their disability.

Rainbows material not only has had an influence on the audience members but has also affected many of the groups actors. Particularly the 'domestic violence play' (Clara mo John) which Rainbow performed to 2008 people in 2016. An actor in Rainbow, reported that over the past year he has had fewer arguments with his wife and explained that after he acted in the play about domestic violence, he got to examine the effect this kind of behaviour has on families. He also reported that he now sleeps at another actor's house when he argues with his wife, to allow time for both of them to calm down. An actress in Rainbow was also in a violent relationship with her partner, her partner watched many performances of the domestic violence play and their relationship has calmed down over the last year as a result. Other group members report her experiencing less domestic violence and they think it is because her husband was effected by 'Clara mo John', the Domestic Violence play which enabled him to see how his own behaviour was impacting on her negatively.

"Working in Rainbow has empowered us to stand up and speak up about our rights. It has changed me and changed the group. People with disability come to watch us and some have the same disability as people in the group. I think this is a very powerful kind of advocacy in the community"- Francis, Senior Actor, Rainbow Theatre

"If WSB didn't exist and I wasn't in Rainbow Theatre my life would be very different, I would just stay at home, I wouldn't have friends and I wouldn't have an income" — Actor Rainbow Theatre. Rainbow Theatre travelled to Malekula to tour a Sanitation play and Disability Awareness play for WVV in 2016. They performed sanitation and disability awareness plays to 3940 community members on Malekula (2057 female and 1883 males).

A film crew followed Rainbow on their tour to produce a documentary called 'Rainbow' which follows the actors across Malekula and documents many of the challenges faced and overcome by PLWD, particularly in rural Vanuatu. The documentary captures the stories of PLWD in rural Malekula. The Rainbow documentary gave a voice to several people with disabilities

and their families whom Rainbow encountered on their tour. Community members that Rainbow encountered on tour, commented on how the visit of Rainbow has changed their perception of people with disabilities. Rainbow actors reported that many people in Vanuatu follow the 'medical model' for care of PLWD and tend to shut them away instead of following the 'rights based approach model' and many community members reported that after watching Rainbow, they realised that PLWD are capable of achieving just as much as able bodied people and can contribute positively to the community.

## Television and Film

The latest and final season of Love patrol 8 was premiered to a full house of LP fans at Tanna Cine in October 2016. The release of the final season (which wrapped filming in 2014) was further delayed due to extra work resulting from TC Pam as well as other film work being on a tighter deadline.

The Love Patrol series remains relevant and popular as its themes resonate with communities across Vanuatu and the Pacific. Distribution of Love Patrol has continued in 2016, to television stations across the Pacific, with season 1-7 being distributed and shown in; Solomon Islands, Cook Islands, Palau, Niue, Nauru and Australia. Love Patrol also went to air in Samoa for the first time on 'EFKS TV'. The

"We look forward to receiving and playing more of your work, we can't wait for Love Patrol 8!"-Jill Senior, Oceania Television Network, Palau

"We are really excited to air the series in Samoa, I think there are a lot of important messages in the series that our Samoan people can learn from"- Henry Fruean, EFKS TV, Samoa

series also continues to be screened in PNG and Fiji where it has a wide following. Love Patrol is also screened on the Australian TV Station, 'NITV' and is available on demand on their website. A press kit for LP has also been created to streamline the uptake process from new TV stations. Series 1-7 of Love Patrol is available to view on WSBs YouTube Channel.

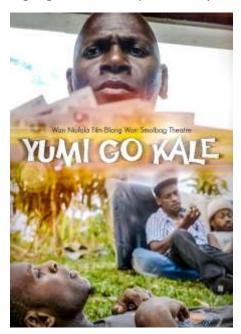


WSB remains the only organisation creating 'long form drama' on a regular basis in the region and it is an important cultural and educational vehicle with Pacific Islanders on the screen. Despite funding cuts to film, in 2016, WSBs film department continued to focus on creating quality feature films and completed four films; 'Yu no Save Ronwe long Luv' (You can't run away from love), a

30 minute short film commissioned by CARE International about teenage pregnancy, 'Rainbow'-a 30 minute documentary following Rainbow disability theatre on tour to Malekula, 'Abomination'- a 95 minute feature film about a young very strict pastor; the film touches on family planning, attitudes to gay people and land issues, and 'Tallemaot'- a 30 minute drama about attitudes to rape.

Post film production of the 2015 film, 'Yumi Go Kale' was completed in mid-2016 and is WSBs first feature film completed without the help of a foreign Director of Photography (DOP). Showings were completed in communities around Efate and in rural communities on Malekula and Santo and proved popular with audiences. Many audience members reported that the film highlighted the rampant corruption that they





Port Vila's Cinema 'Tanna Cine' and had a successful run. The film was screened at the cinema at a reduced rate as most of the films target audience would be unable to afford to view the film at the usual concession rate. The film was also screened at WSBs youth centre over several weeks, to make the film more accessible to community members surrounding WSB. In 2016 a total of 2272 audience members viewed 'Yumi go Kale' in screenings on Efate, Santo and Malekula. The film also has received international recognition and was accepted into: the Asian Pacific Screen Awards, Hawaiian International Film Festival and Pasifika Film Fest and competed against some of the best films in the Asian Pacific region. Yumi go Kale screened to audiences in Australia, New Zealand and

Hawaii at these film festivals.

In 2015 Oxfam provided funding to adapt WSBs play 'Wasem Han' about sanitation and hand washing into a film. The film was launched at WSB Haus in early 2016. This film also proved popular with audiences and was screened in communities across Efate, Malekula and Santo. 'Wasem Han' was distributed to communities on USB drives and shared on WSBs Facebook page. The film has proven to be a versatile resource for WSB and

"This film is good for sanitation awareness in the community. It will educate the children. Thank you WSB, you have helped the community to change"- Jeffet, Community Chairman, Chief Lally Community

has been used in sanitation workshops by WSB and other NGOs. WSB screened 'Wasem Han' to 357 community members in 2016 (173 males and 184 females).

Ongoing editing of the 2015 production 'Laef I Swit' continued in 2016, which had been delayed due to funding cuts and technical problems. WSB no longer has the funds to send its

productions overseas for post-production sound editing which means WSBs only sound technician/composer is solely responsible for the sound editing on each film. This back log is slowly being cleared and should see 'Laef I Swit' completed in 2017. A feature length documentary about Rainbow Disability Theatre was filmed on Malekula (see above Rainbow Theatre section for more information). WSBs new films 'Abomination' and 'Tallemaot' saw filming wrap in late 2016 and are both in post-production. These films dealt with sensitive topics such as religion and rape. Once both films are released WSB is anticipating strong reactions from community members and it is hoped the films will provoke discussions that leads to positive change. When a preview of 'Tallemaot' was screened at the 2016 WSB AGM, there were many strong reactions from both women and men.

Both WSB actors and film crew continue to expand their skill set and build their capacity in 2016. WSBs camera man Francis Wai completed his first feature without the help of a foreign DOP and lighting on 2016 films was done by a WSB actor, Danny Marcel. Francis's skill level has been recognised as DFAT have agreed to provide him with a scholarship to study film production at an Australian university, Francis hopes to return to WSB once he has completed his degree

"I really enjoy working hard and solving problems. I have really learnt how to overcome obstacles and problem solve through my work at WSB. The director has left things to me saying 'please sort this out' which has pushed me to draw on my own resources and knowledge to get through a problem. I now have worked at WSB for almost seven years. Over this time, I have developed a passion for film making and cinematography and really grown professionally as well as personally". Francis Wai- WSB Camera

with an expanded skill set. Another area of capacity development has been makeup. WSB was fortunate to benefit from the arrival in Vanuatu of Meg McDonnell, a professional film makeup artist, that has previously worked in Hollywood. Meg has worked with actors who double as makeup artists on films to teach them new techniques such as to aging an actor and how to create realistic looking injuries.



An average film creates work for about 36 people on set. There are several crew - the focus puller, the sound recordist, the boom holder, camera and lighting assistants (for whom the WSB film season is their primary source of income for the year). There are also the bus drivers, food providers, people whose houses and communities WSB films in and extras used; even though budgets have decreased dramatically

since LP finished, there are still some financial benefits to communities surrounding WSB which

strengthens WSBs relationship with its neighbouring communities. WSB also priorities skills development with several WSB youth that show promise in film making. During the last season of LP the film department saved three places on the crew for WSB youth. These youths have been outstanding members of the film crew and are now indispensable to film production, these positions have also provided them with an income. Two other youth have proved very good actors on film which has further cemented their places as permanent actors in Health Force Theatre.

For the first time, a full version of a WSB film was uploaded to WSBs Facebook page in 2016. This post reached over 33,000 people and was viewed by over 5000 people with comments from viewers mentioning the need for more discussion and openness on sex. One Facebook viewer commented; "Amazing video. Well done. We should not just rely on youth centres and school talks about sex. This conversation should start at home within your family. Family should be open about this, open about sex and open about the types of circumstances



you can be in from having sex, (we) should be comfortable talking about these things. There will be less rebellion and less teenage pregnancies and more trust. Love the video and actors did well". WSB has trialled the use of mobile phones (a popular way to access movies in communities) to distribute the film and will work more with this distribution method in 2017. This short film has proved particularly useful in workshops on population and reproductive health.

## Publications and resources

Wan Smolbag publications and resources remain popular in Vanuatu and are widely distributed and used in the pacific region and further afield. During 2016 WSB distributed 30,960 resources, including informative booklets, books and DVDs. 1832 resources were distributed outside Vanuatu, primarily in the Pacific region, but reached as far as England, India and Mexico.

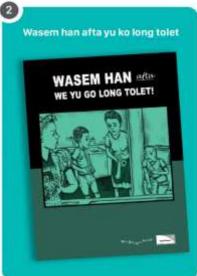
48% of resources were distributed directly to communities. These were often distributed during post-play discussions and were also used to accompany workshops in communities. Thirty percent were distributed to NGOs for use in communities and 12% of publications were given directly to schools or educational facilities. Many resources were also used by NGOs and other community workers to accompany their program activities in sanitation and disaster

**preparedness.** Comic books and DVDs are also frequently used during WSB workshops and in peer education sessions.

The most commonly distributed items in 2016 were the disaster preparedness booklets 'Saekloan Sara' and 'Yumi mas Rere' as Oxfam provided funding for a reprint of these resources through the resilience project and were distributed during resilience workshops. Reprints of these resources were also requested by International NGOs for onward distribution. Other popular comics provided information on health, sanitation, contraception and waste management ('Michael loves Nancy', 'Kava bar blong Renold', 'mi no wantem gat bel!' and 'Don't burn it/don't mix it').

In 2016 WSBs publications department created three new comic books for WVV (see below images) as part of the PVUDP project. "We have received the 'lukaotem toilet' comic book from WVV and is excellent. I think we'll also have it printed as a poster for the communities and possible mount it inside the sanitation facilities as it gives such a great clear message"- Carol Dover, Gender and community participation specialist, Port Vila Urban Development Project. These publications were on waste management, sanitation and community sanitation facility management.







In many cases, WSBs resources are distributed by acting groups when on tour. These resources provide additional information on themes found in the play/ workshops and can be passed onto community members that were unable to make it to the show. WSBs acting group Health Force toured to Tanna in late 2016 to partner on a PHAST program that Care International were implementing. During this tour, Health Force performed a sanitation and disaster preparedness play for 2784 community members (1443 female and 1341 male) and distributed 786 WSB resources on; Disaster preparedness, Health, Waste Management and Sanitation, to schools across Tanna.

responsibility, wellbeing and resilience in young people and their communities.

Young people in Port Vila, Luganville and North Pentecost attended daily classes, took part in workshops and participated in activities that improved their wellbeing, and built their skills, knowledge and self-esteem. In 2016, over 1900 youth signed up to participate in Wan Smolbag youth centre activities across the three islands. In Port Vila, some attended the youth centre whilst also attending school (37%), but the majority of the youth were no longer in school, with most indicating that they were no longer in school as their families were unable to pay school fees (35%). Only 10.7% of registered youth had completed secondary school.

The youth centre provides an avenue for young people to experience many activities for the first time. In youth centre surveys in Port Vila, 84% of youth said that if they did not attend the youth centre, they would spend most of their time at home. A small number of youth felt that they would be in education (6%) or would be able to find work (7%) if they had not enrolled at WSB. Young people are supported by the tutors and



resources at the youth centres to learn new things, and build their talents and confidence. All surveyed youth reported that during their time at the youth centre their confidence had increased. Almost all youth felt that they had gained useful new skills (88%) and knowledge (95%). Youth also reported accessing WSBs other services with 13% of youth in Santo indicating they used the clinic services and 27 % of youth attending additional workshops offered at the centre.

Taking part in youth centre activities helps young people reduce their dependence on and use of drugs, kava and alcohol. 23% of youth in Vila reported a decrease in their substance use since they had joined the youth centre. This was often attributed to attending awareness sessions about drugs or needing to have presence of mind and fitness to take part in activities and sports.

"There are quite a few young boys that were heavy drug users when they joined my class. I explained to them the class rules and that they couldn't join the hip hop crew if they were taking drugs, now most of them have left their 'old crowd' behind and have new friends at the centre and are no longer using drugs"- Colewick, Hip-hop Tutor, NCYC

The sports department remains a central hub at WSB and provides a safe and inclusive space for youth, regardless of gender or disability to explore their potential and learn new skills.



WSB Sports department offers a youth driven style of sports leagues and events designed to fit the unique needs of youths with many disadvantages. The sports program at WSB also provides an avenue for youth to access a wide range of information and resources on; reproductive health, waste management, woman in sports, domestic violence and healthy lifestyles.

These sport activities provide young people with discipline and motivation which has been reported to prevent them from engaging in risky behaviour and antisocial activities. In 2016 there were no reported incidents of physical violence between youth for the second year running in the WSB sports department. In a survey of young people that use WSB Sports facilities many reported the positive effect that sports have had on theirs and other young people's lives. Many of respondents reported that sports provide an avenue to keep young people healthy (30%), reduce instance of anti-social behaviour (10%), provide an avenue for youth people to find work and gain new skills (25%) and provides young people with travel opportunities (35%) that they otherwise wold not have had.

Women remain integral to WSB sports program and women and young girls participated in; boxing tournaments, Futsal, hockey events, basketball and beach soccer in 2016. A Mama's hockey league has been set up in two villages in northern Efate (Epau and Ekipe) and a Mamas swimming club has been set up In Epau. The number of women's Futsal leagues continues to grow and has increased from 12 in 2015, to 16 in 2016. A women's futsal League championship was held with the support of MP Ralph Reganvanu and 16 teams participated in the event. To further encourage women's participation (in what is a traditionally male

dominated sport) the 15,000 VT registration fee for all female futsal teams was waived by the sports department which has led to an increase in registrations of female futsal teams. WSB sports department continued to run mixed sports competitions that require teams to have a woman on the field at all times. The sports department has also run



'women only' competitions as some women feel more comfortable to participate in woman only teams.

**Disability inclusion is also encouraged by WSBs sports department.** WSBs Sports department manager is a recognised classifier for the 'International Paralympics Committee' for track and field events but further collaboration with VANSANOC is required to facilitate events and competitions. The sports department hopes that in 2017 two athletes LWD will be able to



participate in table tennis, track and field and archery in the 2017 South Pacific Paralympics. The sports department offers a weekly sports program that caters to PWLD and has also organised several 'Disability Sports Festivals' focused on Table Tennis and Cricket. The hockey department also received donations of hockey gear designed specifically for use from PWLD which will support future disability sports days.

WSBs women's Hockey development officer, Mary Siro travelling to London to receive the 'Queens Young Leaders Award' in 2016. WSB also sent the first ever Senior Vanuatu Hockey team to the compete in the 'World Hockey League Championships' in Fiji. The team won Silver and Hiro Namu was named player of the tournament. 'WSBs Non- smoking Hero's Development Program' has developed the skills of young players and five players have moved onto play for the 'Vanuatu under 20 national Futsal team' and competed in an international competition in Korea in 2016. WSB teams also led at the 2016 Vanuatu National games in Santo and won gold for Shefa 20-25 age category for Futsal, won gold for Shefa 20-25 age category Basketball, silver for Beach Volleyball, and won gold, silver and bronze for Boxing.

The Vanuatu Hockey Federation is based at WSB and has an eventful year. Through the help of an AVID volunteer, local VHF staff were up skilled in; leadership, program coordination, budgeting, league creation and management. The VHF organized weekly schools outreach to 22 schools around Efate and offered weekly training at WSB to 4 teams. In partnership with VASANOC, VHF organized sports days which reached 6421 people (2376 Female and 4045 Male). These sports days also involved awareness sessions on health, waste management and SRH which reached 1108 people.

WSBs partnership with the 'Flying fish swimming program' continued in 2016 and the program taught swimming, survival and basic water safety skills to children in Eton, Ekipe, Black sands and Mele. WSBs swimming class provides an avenue for many out of school youth to learn new skills. Swimming carnivals organised by the club continued to draw in youth and the last carnival saw 73 youth participate. WSBs swimming teacher Frank Vira, along with two youth swimming teaching assistants went to the 'Hills Swimming School' in Sydney Australia for training. Frank is the first Ni-Vanuatu to receive this swimming instructing qualification. The swimming federation was also registered under VASANOC in 2016, which means the organisation will be able to compete in international swimming competitions from 2017 onwards.

"Before I joined WSB my life almost went the wrong way, the group I used to hang around with got chased by the police a few times but we weren't caught. Now I stay out of trouble and focus on my swimming. This year I was lucky enough to go to Australia with the swimming tutor Frank, so we could both get our swimming teaching qualifications (although they can't sign off on my certificate until I turn 18) as I've started leading some of the swimming classes"- Holingswold, Youth at WSB and Swimming teacher.

### Art, performance and creativity

Daily classes help young people to explore and develop their skills/ creative talents through arts, crafts, and performance.

Art classes in Port Vila consisted of painting, sketching and making prints. Pottery classes also challenged the youth's creative thinking, with many youth learning 'traditional Lapita patterns' in the class. In Santo natangura seed carving and wood carving were also taught.

The sewing classes taught the basics of sewing by hand stitching, cutting patterns, sewing using portable sewing machines, fabric painting and

"I've been participating in the NCYC Sewing class for 4 months and it helped me so much. Now I have started my own handicraft shop. I (would) like to say thank you to NCYC and encourage other youths for participate in youth centre activities." Lisa, 34, Santo



making purses out of recycled plastic. Crochet workshops were also run at both NCYC and WSB centres. Many women involved in the sewing class both in Santo and Port Vila, reported that they used their new skills at home, in mending and making clothing for family, or selling items to supplement their income. While the regular sewing tutor went on leave in 2016, additional interest in the sewing class was generated by the



specialised workshops the relief teacher taught, which showed women how to make more complex designs to sell at market. The UNDP program also approached the WSB to facilitate a week-long workshop with 18 mamas from the Shepard Islands. The workshop was aimed at upskilling these women in; creating marketable products such as clothing and sewing machine maintenance. An end-line for the project is due to be completed by WSB M&E staff in 2017.

The creative self-expression of youth is also fostered through performance arts. Music, dance and theatre provide youth with a chance to build confidence and communication skills, and enhance team-work. Throughout 2016, five Hip-hop competitions were coordinated and had 100-300 audience members each time. The 'hip-hop Jam battle' in 2016 saw dancers from WSB and NCYC Youth centres compete against B-Boys

from New Caledonia. Competing against international dancers helped the youth to build their confidence and their skill set.

WSB in partnership with the 'Pacific Peoples Partnership' also provided additional funding to the youth centre to build a new Hip-hop room at the youth centre. **Hip-hop is WSBs most popular class and the new space has provided young dancers with a space to call their own, that will no** 

longer be interrupted by workshops, meetings or actors rehearsals. The completion of the new dance room also means that the Hip-hop class can go ahead without worrying about interrupting the administration, editing suite and other activities at WSB.

Drama classes helped youth to overcome their fear of public speaking and facilitation. The Drama classes also helped youth to express themselves creatively, develop their own voice, confidence and improve their communication skills. In 2016 the youth drama group took on additional organisational responsibilities and they facilitated discussions during post-performance workshops, and helped to organise performances.

"A lot of the time the old dance room was needed for meetings and workshops which left us without a place to rehearse and caused us to cancel classes, this led to a drop in youth attending the classes, but now we can go ahead with our scheduled classes without worrying about losing our rehearsal space. Hip Hop is very important at WSB as it draws many students off the street to join classes and many of our Hip Hop students have developed their skills enough to go on to be employed full time by WSB." — Alpha, WSBs Hip Hop Teacher

The youth performed a modern take on the traditional 'Cinderella' story and the drama follows a young girl who loses her mother and whose father subsequently remarries. Her new step-sisters and step-mother mistreat her. She then falls in love with what she thinks is her 'prince charming' and dreams he will whisk her away to a better life. When he starts to mistreat her, she realises that this may not be the case. Themes in the play resonated with audiences and many



audience members reported that the play mirrored issues in their own lives such as; domestic violence, poverty.

In focus group discussions, the youth drama group members reported that they had gained more than just improved acting skills from the experience with 69% of the youth reporting they had gained confidence, and were better able to talk to their peer and to large groups, 17% of the group also reported that involvement with youth drama group had helped them reduce antisocial behaviour such as drinking and taking drugs and the remaining 14% reported that their involvement with the group had help them make new friends and improve their acting skills. The youth play reached a total audience of 1269 (44% Male and 56% Female) in 2016.

Through creative pursuits, youth gain skills to develop new opportunities for work, or income supplementation, in some cases youth from the youth drama class have become full time actors within WSB (See Annex 1 for Lilian's Story) and Vanua-fire. Other disciplines such as sewing and music can lead to additional opportunities for the diversification of livelihoods for youth. Since the eighteen youth members of Vanuatu's first fire dance group *Vanua fire* made their youth performance group into a self-employed business in 2015, interest in the group has continued to grow. In 2016 the group continued to successfully manage itself, its payroll, VNPF and its full schedules, performing at a different resort every night of the week, as well as being



contracted to perform at weddings and other special events. In 2016 *Vanua fire* celebrated its five-year anniversary with a special anniversary show for a packed crowd at Beach Bar. The 'Sunday sunset circus' and 'Coconut Mix Up' are also other shows that members of the group participate in which involve acrobatics and Hip-hop performance. The group and management of the youth centre hope to develop these performances further in 2017.

In mid-April 2016, the UNICEF Vanuatu team approached Wan Smolbag Theatre to partner on a pilot program on vaccination awareness in peri- urban communities on the outskirts of Port Vila. UNICEF suspected low immunisation rates in these communities so wanted to investigate further while running awareness session on vaccinations. It was decided, due to the short timeframe, a series of 'awareness songs', followed by an awareness session would work best to reach these communities. Wan Smolbag decided to carry out research about barriers to and attitudes to vaccination in the target communities prior to the pilot program being rolled out into the target communities. The major findings from this research showed that many women in these communities lacked adequate information about the immunization schedule for their children and also had a very low income and would have little or no money for extra bus fares to get their children immunized.

Over 18 awareness sessions facilitated by WSB youth from the voice class; 303 girls under 17, 290 boys under 17, 220 men and 371 women were reached which totalled 1184 audience members reached with these awareness sessions. The group visited 6 target areas three times, each time with a different message about immunisation. These songs were aimed at getting parents and caregivers to remember the correct times for vaccination, combating negative attitudes and misconceptions around vaccination and not forgetting the final vaccination as this is commonly forgotten by parents. WSBs preliminary research findings showed that 35% of respondents were only aware of the first vaccination at birth and only 12% of respondents knew about the complete correct vaccination schedule. This demonstrated a greater awareness around vaccination was needed in communities.

"I am so grateful to the WSB team who came to our community to share the information through songs and pictures. I got the message and will help other members in our community to know the importance of these vaccinations and to make sure their kids get all the vaccinations. My child still has 1 more vaccination to take when he is a year old, and I will make sure he gets it!"-Nicolas, Father, MCI Community

The communities were very receptive of the awareness sessions. Josephine a young mother mentioned the following to a WSB facilitator; "It is good I have heard this song because this is my first baby, this song will help me remember when to vaccinate my baby." Youth from the voice

class that facilitated the project also reported having more confidence and improved public speaking and facilitation skills after completion of the project (see annex 1 for Lolyns' 'story of change').

Fifteen children also received their final vaccinations for Measles and Rubella from MOH nurses that accompanied the group on the last session in each community. Another mother from Chief Silas community commented that, "It is good WSB came to



give us advise, as lots of mothers in this community don't take their children for vaccinations, this awareness is a good 'wakeup call' for those who don't vaccinate their children."

#### Life skills: literacy, computing and nutrition

Literacy classes provide out of school children with access to education and access to learn both literacy and numeracy skills. For some children, completion of a year in literacy classes at Wan Smolbag allows them a chance to return to formal primary **schooling.** In 2016, around 30 young children including 1 with disability took part in the literacy classes in Port Vila. A challenge for the older children is that their age does not suit the age category for classes 1, 2 or 3 in formal schools. However, negotiations with school authorities continue to allow for such special cases and Philip, a 14-year-old, with no formal schooling, who joined the literacy class in 2015, was accepted to continue his schooling in a formal school in Port Vila. Philip with continue in class two in 2017.

"Since changing to Bislama instruction, kids who were previously becoming frustrated easily and quick to give up on their work became more relaxed and focused on daily lessons. As a tutor, I could actually see how the students' minds were processing the information differently when recognizing the words and sounds he or she was practicing, as they were in his or her native tongue. Their expressions changed noticeably as they began understanding what they were reading, and became excited to read more and more". — Laura, Peace Corps Volunteer and Literacy tutor

A significant change to the literacy program in 2016 was the decision follow the lead of the Ministry of Education and switch to Bislama instruction. For children with little to no formal schooling, being instructed in English presented a significant challenge, especially because so many English words are also found in Bislama. Since beginning to teach using Bislama, the youth have made incredible progress in literacy. The biggest impact came for those who are still learning to read. Learning sounds associated with words found in their own language, students are able to grasp a stronger understanding of sounds and how they combine to form words. When it came time for reading, the kids eagerly choose to participate in reading aloud and are excited to show others their skills. During the 2016 end of year talent show, most students chose to read aloud as opposed to displaying another talent.

Students in the literacy class also experienced a significant change in their learning experience through the support of the World Vision, Urban Nutrition feeding program which agreed to provide funding in 2016 to pay for breakfasts for the children before classes as many children were not able to afford breakfast before coming to WSB and did not have money to pay for lunch or snacks during the day. **Through this feeding program** 



an average of 30 students daily were provided with healthy breakfasts which helped them concentrate and fulfil their learning potential.

Computer classes continue to be a draw for youth across all three sights and are popular with



youth, for example, 40 % of youth in Vila indicated they joined the centre to take part specifically in the computer class. These classes provide both young periurban youth and rural youth (Haulua), with access to computers which they would not otherwise have had. Teachers from nearby schools also come to learn computing at Haulua centre and have requested 'outreach classes' for their schools so all of their students can have a chance to learn computing.

2016 remained a busy year for the nutrition centre with the need for the extension of the WVV UNP, due to food shortages caused by TC Pam and 15/16 El Niño period. This program provided free lunches to over 600 people twice per week for 26 weeks and up skilled 15 + youth in the process. The elevated profile of the nutrition centre as a result from the feeding program, led to many more NGOs approching nutrition centre staff for advice on community nutrition programs. Nutrition staff were asked to attend the FAO conference on 'Reducing Risk and Building Resilience' in Fiji, and participate in the Tupunis 'Slow Food Festival' on Tanna and had about 300 visitors to their stall over the festival. The centre also completed nutrition workshops for; Island Cricket, WSBs Resilience program, Teachers College, NCYC, Haulua Pentecost, Nursing College and the Agriculture program. These workshops reached a total of 449 people.

In addition to the nutritionally balanced and free lunches provided by the UNP to communites surrounding WSB, the nutrition centre continued to provide WSB staff with daily healthly lunches at a cheap price, through the catering club and also continued to run classes with youth enrolled at the youth centre. 199 classes were run for youth in 2016 with an average class size

**of 15 youth, per class.** These youth learned how to prepare healthly and balanced meals with local produce.

Other highlights for the nutrition centre in 2016 included the launch of an <u>instagram</u> account which served as another way to link with youth and share healthy local receipes at no cost. The nutrition centre has received many inquiries and offers of support from local chefs as a result of the instagram account. Nutrition centre receipies were also featured in 'sista' online magazine in 2016. Nutrition staff have installed and been upskilled in the use of new software 'retail manager' which enables staff to keep up to date with customer spending, which keeps the nutrition centre budget in check and enables staff to plan spending more efficiently.

"Stephan joined the youth centre 2005 ... There were stories that he had been affected by smoking to much marijuana... It made me realize what Stephan had to deal with in his own community...in 2014 he came back to the centre. He seemed a bit more together and started to join the nutrition class cutting vegetables and helping to wash up. He worked so hard that we hired him during the World Vision Urban Nutrition Program to help with kitchen prep and washing up... He is a completely different person to the one I met in 2011. He is now much more confident and is able to joke and laugh with other people. He was so nervous and quiet when he first joined the nutrition class and he found it hard to look you in the eye. I think maybe be having a routine, something to keep him busy and a purpose and having regular access to food it has helped him to recover from his mental illness"- Emma, Nutrition Centre Manager

The nutrition and cooking classes offer tasks that are therapeutic in their repetitiveness, things like cutting vegetables or washing up can give youth a routine and help them fit in situations that may they may not otherwise feel comfortable in. The nutrition centre provides a safe and protective environment and often has youth that have difficulty fitting or are quieter and afraid of participating in other activities join the nutrition classes until they have the confidence to join other classes around the centre.

The youth centre on Pentecost also has a 'Mamas and childrens hygine and food safety program' which is run by the Youth Centre coordinator, Mamas from the surrounding area

and with additional workshops run by WSB nutrition staff. This class focuses on: nutrition (tri

kaen kakae), food safety and good hygine practices such as hand washing and brushing of teeth. This program faced some distruptions in 2016 due to food shortages resulting from El Niño and Cyclone Gina.

Looking forward to 2017, WSB nutrition centre hopes to keep developing the skills of its youth through their management of the catering club and hopes to research the viability of a peanut butter making project and the impacts this will have on childrens health.



# **Health programming** that aims to improve the health and wellbeing of individuals and communities.

The sexual and reproductive health services provided by KPH and NCYC clinic nurses and peer educators, help to provide communities with tools to promote reproductive health and help to break through taboos around SRH. In 2016 WSBs free and confidential condom distribution service allowed individuals in communities' access to contraceptives and over 60,000 condoms were distributed in Port Vila, Luganville and Haulua. The constant visibility of Peer Educators (Peer Eds) and Nurses in communities and constant provision of information to community members has encouraged more openness in communities towards SRH. In Haulua, Pentecost, Father Philemon, a priest and Peer Educator for WSB has noticed a change in attitude to SRH in the community. Father Philemon has noticed an increase in mothers approaching him for contraceptives as they became more aware of how to prevent sexually transmitted diseases, he said this also represents a positive attitudinal shift in this community as when he first started peer education outreach on Pentecost, many people where ashamed to talk about SRH and ask for contraception. This sentiment is also echoed by anecdotal evidence from the KPH nurses.

"I have noticed a change compared with past years, women have hidden family planning from their partners, but now many couples come together or if the women has to work, the man comes to collect her pills for her, this is a very positive change. It shows there is more awareness in community around family planning and more openness as before, it was seen as tabu by many people. - Nurse KPH

#### Clinical services

10,978 people, primarily women sought out sexual and reproductive clinical services from WSB sites in Port Vila, Haulua and Luganville this year. Family planning services continue to be the most sought after service by clients. Women, including many young women, chose from one of the following family planning methods — pill, Depo-Provera (injection), condoms and Jadelle (implant).

The Jadelle implant, which provides effective long term contraception, for up to five years, was introduced as a

"I have worked with WSB almost 20 years. The clinics service and also the lives of the clients it serves has improved so much over the years, I would like to say 'thank you' to the donors for supporting us as the KPH clinic lifts up the life of the community" — Nurse KPH

family planning method by the Reproductive Health unit at the Ministry of Health at the end of 2014, and was made available to clients at Wan Smolbag clinics at the beginning of 2015. Nurses have reported having to remove many Jadelle implants for women that received the implants from other organisations as they were not properly counselled regarding the potential side effects (some women experience weight gain, mood swings and an increase in bleeding). **Nurses** 

reported that they had not received any requests for removal from women that had implants inserted by WSB nurses as they were properly counselled prior to insertion. In 2016 32 women received the Jadelle implant at the NCYC and WSB centres. In early 2016 there was a shortage of the drug to numb the skin so insertions of the implant resumed in April 2016.

The amount of ECPs distributed has continued to increase over the past six years, as awareness of the pill continues to be spread by peer educators, nurses and community members. In 2016, 272 young women had access to the ECP through KPH and NCYC clinics. This service provides a 'second chance' for young women wanting to correct what previously would have been a life altering accident. Nurses continue to provide information to clients and the public on the availability of the emergency pill. WSBs 2016 film, 'Yu No Save Ron We Long Lav' also has helped to spread awareness about the ECP in communities around Vanuatu.

In 2016 the Health Force acting group revived the 'KPH' play. This play was written some years ago, to encourage community members to use to KPH sexual and reproductive health services and increase their knowledge on sexual and reproductive health. This play has been revived in 2016 and portrays a young 'ladies' man' that catches a STI and tries to find a cure using a Kleva (or Kastom medicine man). The play also educates people on how STIs are spread and how they can be prevented/ treated. After watching the play, many audience members reported being more aware

"Thank you for bringing this play to our village, at first it was 'tabu' to talk about sex and relationships but after watching this play together, we now we feel like we can. Thank you for going inside the village as many (villages) are still in the 'dark' when it comes to these topics"- Audience member rural Santo

of how STIs and HIV/ AIDs spread and many mentioned that they are now more confident to seek medical care and testing after watching the play. After the play was performed at the low risk correctional facility in Port Vila, many inmates reported being more aware about how STIs spread and requested that KPH nurses come and test them for HIV/ STIs. This play was performed for 4756 audience members across Santo and Efate in 2016 (55% female and 44 % male).



Clinic services were highly valued by clients, as it provided a free, timely, convenient, confidential, helpful and friendly service. Clients commented that the Nurses take their time to explain to the clients about their condition and treatment regimens and that they receive a better standard of care then they would elsewhere. A client from Nambatri area mentioned that she would rather pay for a bus fare to KPH, than seek treatment at clinics within walking

distance from her home as the standard of service was much higher at KPH and she felt more comfortable with the WSB nurses as they are experienced with family planning. "When we go to

the hospital they don't have time to talk about things with us because they are in a rush. I told all my friends to use WSB, the service is much better"- KPH client

#### Peer Education and Outreach

The Peer Education program provides information on sexual and reproductive health to the

community in an 'easy to access' way. The peer educators are very approachable and provide advice to the community on traditionally 'taboo' or 'sensitive' topics such as 'family life, relationships and sexual and reproductive health'. Before working with the Peer Eds, many community members previously felt they couldn't discuss and approach anyone for further information on these topics. Many people that participated in Peer Eds workshops and received information through their outreach sessions reported that this was the first



time to receive this this kind of awareness and this kind of information. Peer educators in Efate, Santo and Pentecost provided information on life skills and sexual reproductive health to 9028 people in 2016. As a result of talking to peer educators, many people in communities visited WSB/ NCYC and WSB nurses at our mobile clinics for treatment and advice.

In 2016 Peer Educators continued to run workshops with students in secondary schools. These workshops helped to educate young teenagers about puberty, basic anatomy, STIs, HIV, teenage pregnancy and other related issues such as drug abuse and healthy decision making. The 2015 'Peer education in schools' program was continued in 2016 with funding from CARE

"The Student Peer educators are confident to stand in front of other students and talk about the KPH clinic services, STI, HIV/ AIDS, family planning, Teenage pregnancy, emergency pills and refer the students to the clinic. The school has recognised their trained peer educators because they are now more confident to talk and this helps them with their school presentations. It has also helped them to become leaders in most other school activities"—Peer Educator, WSB

International. The aim of this program was to empower young people, especially young girls, through access to accurate information on reproductive health. WSB Peer Educators continued to work with the pilot school for the program, Tebakor College. WSBs Peer Eds team worked closely with 2 students and 1 teacher that had been trained in 2015. The group went on to train nine female students to carry out 'peer education' activities during tea breaks and at lunch time at the school.

As a result of this 'in-schools peer education program, 119 youth received information on sexual and reproductive health, life skills and relationships. The staff at the clinic have reported an increase in students involved in the program coming to the clinic for more information on sexual and reproductive health and check- ups. As part of this program WSB Peer Eds and the 'school peer eds' ran life skills workshops with young women in Tebakor college. WSB Peer Eds also ran awareness programs with youth at WSB youth centre, Chief Lally and Salva Bay community, Erakor Village, MCI, Blacksands and Bladinare community with a total of 95 young women.

WSB Peer educators continued to be requested to run awareness sessions with construction companies contracted to work in Vanuatu on the roads and other construction projects. WSB ran awareness sessions with: China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC) workers and RMS Engineering, Downer, and David's construction. These sexual and reproductive health awareness sessions reached a total of 257 construction workers and with some community members from the project sites (107 females and 150 females). WSB peer educators also continued their awareness program on sexual and reproductive health,

"There have been a few success stories from the 'Peer Education in Schools Program'. One of the student peer educators at Tebakor College found out she was unable to return to school in mid- 2016 as her parents were no longer able to afford her school fees. She was able secure paid employment through joining the WSB peer education program full time as a peer educator. One of the school peer educators also ran a life skills awareness in her own community in Malapoa Estate. Staff from CARE noticed the student with the life skills workbook in the community. They were impressed with the initiative she showed in running awareness in her own community and arranged additional support for her to run additional workshops with her community"- Jayline, Head Peer Educator, WSB

HIV with RSE workers and reached a total of 1228 RSE workers (1015 men and 213 women), before the workers headed overseas on the scheme.

The outreach program for WSBs health department also includes its 'mobile clinic' service. This mobile clinic program continues to provide reproductive health services available at KPH, to three peri-urban communities who are not served by a local clinic and are too far away from WSB to access these services. Mobile clinic visits to the communities of Rantapao, Etas and Teouma reached 839 patients in 2016. All visits had a nurse and some of the peer educators attending. Community members in all three communities reported satisfaction at being able to access RH services within their own community saving them not only a trip to the nearest clinic or hospital but also the consultation fee as this is a free service. 2016 marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary for this mobile clinic program.

In 2016, the 29 members (9 female) of the MSM group V-Pride became more vocal and involved in activities at the youth centre. V-Pride members remained active in the community and expanded their knowledge through; Peer education training, Sexual and reproductive health workshops, Life skills workshops, movie nights and 'Stretem Rod blong Jastis' activities.



The group were particularly impacted by a workshop they attended with the Vanuatu women's centre on gender and human rights. Men and women in the group came away from this workshop with a clearer understanding of what their rights are, when these are being infringed upon and what they can do to protect the rights of others. One VPride member commented, "After going through this workshop I realised that some things that have happened to me, such as discrimination based on my

sexuality are against my human rights". VPride members also went through training provided by Westpac (facilitated by a VPride member that works at the bank). Through this training VPride members were able to increase their budgeting skills and learnt new ways to save their money.

Although VPride did not hold their annual talent show in 2016 they continued to actively take part in other youth centre talent based actives such as; Karaoke night, performed for workshop participants and performed at the youth centres open day on Saralana stage. VPride members also attended sewing, arts, and painting, music, nutrition and computer classes at the youth centre.

VPride also played a part in advising regional policy for the US government in Melanesia, as they hosted a visit from Christine Buzzard, the political supervisor for the United Stated Embassy in Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. They discussed future directions for the US Embassies work with LGBQT in the region and how the US embassy could help to meet the needs of LQGBT in Vanuatu and the wider Pacific. VPride helped personnel from the US embassy to better understand human rights issues facing LGQBT people in Vanuatu and across the Pacific.



Members of VPride were also active in assisting Dr Robyn Drysdale with a research project for the University of New South Wales aimed at estimating the population of SWs and MSM in Vanuatu and other Pacific countries, identifying risk factors and their determinants for SWs and MSM. Through the course of this research, an 'Institutional capacity assessment' was carried out which concluded WSB had a very high institutional capacity. A highlight for VPride in 2016 was one member traveling to Suva, Fiji, with a Peer Educator to present the findings of this research.

A co-founder of VPride travelled to Fiji to represent VPride at the 2016, 'Pacific Feminist Forum'. During the conference people from around the Pacific were upskilled on feminism and gender protection and had a chance to learn about how these approaches are being applied by organisations across the Pacific. Members of VPride learnt how they could be more inclusive in their work for example towards members living with disability.

"We are from a group of people that can often experience discrimination and negative misconceptions from the communities we work in. For example, this year we went with the Peer Eds to do some awareness talks at Eratap Village. A government truck with construction workers at the back drove past us and were saying things like 'is that a boy or girl, I'm not sure' and were taking photos of us. We just ignored them and carried onto the village, we were worried that people in the village were going to have the same attitude but they supported us and thanked us for the work we do and thanked us for coming."- VPride Member

**Environment** that aims to promote environmental sustainability and community resource management.

Waste and resource management, and environmental conservation continue to be a principal area of programing at Wan Smolbag Theatre. In 2016 waste management activities resumed the usual schedule as they had been disrupted in 2015 to help communities with the clean up after TC Pam. For over 10 years, WSB has been assisting eight riverside communities in the Tagabe and Blacksands area, not serviced by the municipality, in removing their solid waste.

#### Waste management

WSBs Waste Management department continued the working relationship with the Port Vila Urban Development Project (PVUDP) and target communities involved in the project. WSB was able to expand its community waste removal service to Blacksands Tongariki and Waisisi through this project to the end of September 2016.



Community clean ups were facilitated by community members and many people from communities regularly approached WSBs waste management officer to request rubbish bags to carry out 'clean up days' in their communities. In the peri- urban settlements surrounding WSB where space is valuable and also very limited, the old rubbish piles have been replaced with raised rubbish beds and many community members separate their rubbish for composting and

recycling. Community waste management committees set up by WSB regularly facilitate community clean up days and source rubbish bags from the WSB waste management officer to complete these clean ups. Community awareness sessions on waste management (including topics such as segregation of waste, the life-span of waste materials and composting) were completed communities surrounding WSB and involved in the WVV PVUDP project, reaching people 118 people in 2016 (49 male and 69 females).

In addition to providing the facilities required for effective waste management, communities have been provided with the resources and knowledge needed to reduce the volume of waste

produced. Recycling units were built by Wan Smolbag waste management staff in 2015 and provided for all communities involved in the PVUDP project, and nine other communities in the Tagabe/Blacksands area. As well as reducing the volume of the waste, aluminium cans can be sold to generate additional community funds. The Blacksands Tongariki sanitation committee received 1950 VT from Recycle Corp when their cage was emptied in June 2016. Although some communities continue to embrace their cages, there are some communities that no longer use their cages due to a lack of commitment by Recycle Corp to collect the cages once full. This community disengagement was further exacerbated by a global drop in the price of tin which led to Recycle Corp only accepting aluminium cans. WSB waste management officer has changed all the signs on the cages to read 'aluminium tins only' and has run awareness sessions with community members to ensure they are aware of these changes.

With support from the Port Vila Urban Development Project, the 'Waste Management play' performed by Health Force, on reducing solid waste by separation, composting and recycling, continued touring in 2016. The play was toured in urban and rural communities and schools Efate and Santo. By the end of 2016, 4465 audience members had watched this waste management play.

The PVUDP project also provided funding for the scripting of a new play based around communal toilets at the market. This play looked at many issues surrounding communal sanitation facilities such as; **importance of facility maintenance and regular cleaning, not disposing solid waste (such as sanitary items) down the toilet and hand** 

"After watching the play and awareness session, we believe that all the schools students can now help to keep the school grounds clean. We will now all have separate bags to put all the different kinds of rubbish. Thank you very much for your presentation. Let's help each other and keep our environment clean!"- School principle, Port Vila

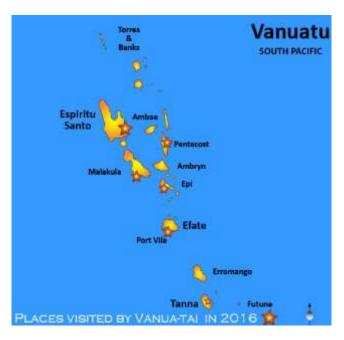
washing after going to the toilet and before handling food. The play was performed by health force at all major markets around Port Vila for a total audience of 3421 (1391 Males and 2021 Females).

WSBs Waste Management Officer visited 12 schools in Port Vila and 9 in Santo to run waste management awareness workshops with both new students and student environment committees that had been set up in previous years. These activities reached 1166 students (601 male), and (580 male). The primary school aged children received education about recycling and proper waste management practices. In addition to this, WSB organised a beach clean-up and waste management awareness session for World Oceans Day on the 8th of June 2016. 198 students from Malapoa College and Kawenu School participated and collected 22,711 pieces of rubbish from a 1.2 km stretch of beach at Malapoa.

Some Waste Management activities were delayed in 2016 due to the waste management officer building compost toilets and market stalls for communities surrounding WSB funded through the resilience project (see resilience and climate change adaptation section for more info) which required rescheduling of waste management activities to achieve.

The Vanua-tai network continues its environmental and conservation work across Vanuatu. Although the primary activity of the network is to tag turtles and monitor the nesting and migration patterns of turtles, the network also undertakes broader environmental conservation activities.

Approx. 500 Vanua-tai volunteers are active across the length of Vanuatu, from Anietyum, up to the Torres and Banks Islands. These monitors are currently active on 62 out of Vanuatu's 65 inhabited islands. Although the network originally was started to conserve turtle populations and the marine environment, the monitors are also actively involved in terrestrial environmental



conservation within their communities. They engage with community members to enhance awareness of environmental issues and work to reduce the impacts of climate change on the turtle populations and their communities.

In 2016 Vanua-tai network continued to partner with the research and conservation vessel Island Reach (IR). Vanua-tai monitors continued to use the vessel to transport materials for projects, as transport for monitors to project sites and to exchange information with other monitors. In May 2016, Vanua-tai signed an official MOU with Island reach, which has formalised the already successful working partnership. The MOUs purpose is to ensure remote locations throughout Vanuatu can be reached by Vanua-tai monitors, to increase opportunities for peer-to-peer exchange, and strengthen existing conservation, food security, climate change adaptation and environmental projects.

Vanua-tai monitors assisted IR with a variety of assessments and activities on local environmental issues were completed, including reef checks, removal of crown of thorn starfish which endanger the reef, and assessments of erosion and sea level rise. On Epi, a local grass was used to combat costal erosion in key turtle nesting sites. Activities and assessments were accompanied with community engagement to provide local communities with further information about environmental conservation and current hazards to their natural resources.



Vanua-tai continue to successfully achieve firsts in Vanuatu conservation and monitors continue expand both their scientific knowledge as well as knowledge of conservation methods. Monitors from north Efate and a Vanua-tai intern from the University of Hawaii, attended a workshop with world-renown Coral Reef Scientist Dr. Thomas Goreau. Through this workshop monitors learnt about the "Biorock mineral accretion method" of restoring coral reefs and how to implement this technology in

their own conservation areas. Three pilot sites in northern Efate were set up and the success of the pilot sites will be assessed in 2017.

In 2015 the network established two pilot relocation sites in Malekula, these were the first turtle nesting relocation sites in Vanuatu. Monitors moved nests away from vulnerable positions on nesting beaches where they would otherwise have been washed out by the tide. Prior to the relocation site being established turtle eggs in Bamboo Bay had a 41% predation rate and many more nests were washed away due to coastal erosion. At the end of the 15/16 nesting season, at the trial site in Bamboo Bay,



170 out of 180 eggs had successfully hatched and at the Wiawi site 78 out 80 eggs had successfully hatched.

In 2016 the relocation sites were fully fenced to combat predation from dogs, the success of which will be determined at the end of the 16/17 nesting season. Further trials are also needed by monitors to determine the ideal relocation time for eggs and monitors have trials planned for 16/17 nesting season. Vanua-tai hopes to expand its relocation sites to Epi as this is a known nesting site for the critically endangered leather back turtle.

The Vanua-tai AGM was held in Santo, in late June 2016 and included 50 monitors (20 women) from 19 Islands. The team from Island reach also attended the AGM to exchange knowledge with the network and provide feedback to all monitors on projects they had worked together on over the previous year. The AGM included workshops to enhance the skills of Vanua-tai volunteers, including leadership and management training and financial resource management training.

The network has conservation aims that extend beyond turtles. This is reflected in the broad environmental approach of the network and was further illustrated by surveys of monitors at the AGM, of whom 27% joined the network to protect turtles specifically, and 60% joined to protect environmental resources in Vanuatu more generally. **60% reported that the Vanua-tai provided training or information on how to improve protection of resources and how to look after the** 

environment. For example, by helping communities to set up conservation areas, replanting mangroves, or stopping people from eating turtles.

Women are becoming more active in the network and at the 2016 AGM IR assisted Vanua-tai setting up a 'subnetwork' for women monitors which is set to focus on conservation issues using women's strengths. In 2017 Vanua-tai plans to host a separate AGM for women monitors to build up the sub-network and provide additional training for the women monitors.

"I am glad we have set up this sub-network', women can more easily pass on conservation messages to children. When we do training together as monitors the Papas can dive down to the reef but many Mamas cannot do this so easily, but through this network we can explore and focus on what we as Mamas can do to conserve the environment"-Women monitor at 2016 Vanua-tai AGM

As all of the networks monitors are unpaid volunteers, a community fund was set up by WSB and aimed at 'giving back' to the communities that have given so much of their time to develop and maintain the network over the years. Project staff received applications from Vanua-tai monitors across Vanuatu, some of whom had been involved with the network for over twenty years. In 2016 Vanua-tai granted funds for nine community projects across Vanuatu;

- GAIWARE ENVIRONMENT NETWORK (Pentecost) Tilapia Farm
- SARETE COMMUNITY- Chicken wire for completion of a Tilapia Farm
- TANNA 10,000 litre community water tank.
- VOTLO (Epi) -10,000 litre community water tank.
- WIAWI (Malekula) -10,000 litre community water tank.
- BAMBOO BAY (Malekula) 10,000 litre community water tank.
- TALOA (Nguna)- 2x 10,000 litre community water tanks.
- LELEPA- 10,000 litre community water tank.
- TANOLIU (Efate) water pump and three rolls of pipe, for community water system.

Follow up surveys and evaluation of effectiveness for these community projects are due be carried out in 2017.





Community members on Pentecost sharing the first harvest from the Tilapia farm (Above Images).

#### Resilience, climate change adaptation and preparedness

This program was due to start in early 2015 but was delayed due to Cyclone Pam and the recovery effort. The expected outcome for the resilience project is that '1,100 women, men and young people in Shefa and Malampa provinces will have improved wellbeing and increased resilience'. The program is focused on building communities' strengths and looks at strengthening communities' resistance against covariate shocks.

Activities for resilience commenced in February 2016 with baseline surveys and participatory processes being followed to engage community members and best capture/ meet the needs of the communities. Outputs for the programme at the end of 2016 included; completing over 74 workshops in five peri-urban communities and two rural communities on; health and sanitation, nutrition, agriculture, gender and disaster preparedness reaching 2559 beneficiaries. Attendance at these workshops included 268 young men, 337 young women, 914 women, 607 men, 225 boys and 208 girls (including 27 people with disabilities). Other outputs also included; installation of water meters and water tanks, construction of community market stalls and construction of community toilets.

A play on resilience issues was created specifically for this project. The new improvised piece, 'The Resilience play' focused on a range of issues that impact on community resilience such as; population growth, resource distribution, access to health care and contraception. This play was performed for 2086 people in 2016 and actors reached communities across Malekula and Efate. Many audience members reported seeing a direct link between the play and issues in their own lives which impacted upon their own resilience. In after play discussions in rural Malekula, disputes over; land, population growth, El Niño and climate change were reported by audience members as being among some of the biggest barriers to community resilience. The play also helped audience members to explore

"This play covered a lot of topics that are currently happening in our community, but we don't talk about them. Things like losing our marine resources and our gardens dying and we didn't do anything about these things. Now after watching the play, we know how to move forward and what to do to hold on to our resources and improve our future"- Community member from Dixon Reef after watching the resilience play.

possible solutions in the face of these mounting pressures and possible ways of overcoming these barriers to their resilience. This play was received so well by communities involved the resilience project, actors completed additional touring of the play in Santo, Malekula and Efate. This additional touring was funded by the good governance program.

523 people from rural and peri-urban resilience project communities have also participated in films nights and post-film discussions. These film screenings showed the WSB film 'Wasem Han' and 'Yu no Save Ron We long Lav'. These films focus on sanitation, hand washing and gender issues. In post film discussions community members reported learning new information from the film such as using ashes from the fire as a soap substitute when soap is not available and thinking about how youth are perceived in their communities.

"Our community has never prepared for a disaster. When cyclone warnings have been put out to the community in the past, everyone only prepared during the 'Red Alert' warning. After the simulation exercise we went through, we now know what to do during each blue, yellow and red warning."- Reno Silwoi, Dixon Reef Village, Malekula.

All communities involved in the project have functioning 'resilience committees'. These resilience committees are responsible for tracking the progress of the resilience project using the 'spider web tool' and feeding the information back to the community. It was envisaged that these committees would first act as a link between WSB resilience project staff and the wider community and then these resilience committees would become 'Community Disaster and Climate Change Committees (CDCCCs)'. WSB is required under this project to set up three functioning CDCCCs and in 2016 WSB staff along with representatives from the five peri-urban

communities went through an intensive 'training of trainers' course in Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction (CBDRR) facilitated by the Vanuatu Red Cross, NDMO and Oxfam in Vanuatu. WSB project staff set up the first CDCCCs for the project in Bamboo Bay and Dixon Reef in Malekula. Both rural communities are particularly vulnerable to natural disasters as they are remote and situated in low lying, coastal areas. While project staff were in Malekula, a village up in the mountains with close links to Bamboo Bay heard about the project and requested a CDCCC be set up in their village also. CDCCC members from Bamboo Bay facilitated the training for the CDCCC at Lebonbon Village. CDCCCs were also set up in the urban communities of Chief Lally and Salva Bay.

Cyclone simulations were carried out with 378 community members on Malekula and 62 community members on Efate in 2016. CDCCCs elections have been held in Tagabe Bridge and Chief Silas but training and cyclone simulations are due to be carried out in early 2017. WSBs Cyclone preparedness comic books were also distributed to community members at the end of each simulation exercise. These comic books contain detailed but easy to understand information

about what to do; before, during and after a cyclone and also contains a Vanuatu Cyclone tracking map. Many community members reported this being the first cyclone tracking map they have owned. 963 copies of 'Yumi Mas Rere' and 986 copies of Saekloan Sara have been distributed across all seven communities involved in the project after cyclone preparedness workshops and cyclone simulations exercises in 2016.



As part of this project, 378 people in rural Malekula now have tri-monthly access, to sexual and reproductive health care, as well as general health care services. WSB has signed an MOU with the ministry of health which has agreed to provide medical supplies to the community until the end of the project. Although the Ministry of Health has promised to try and take over the service at the end of the project, this is not certain so WSB will be looking at other sources of funding to continue this vital service after the resilience project ends in mid-2017. On each

visit the nurse divides her time between clinical consultations with community members and running workshops in first aid for the CDCCC members as well as sanitation and general hygiene workshops for community members. After one first aid training session in Dixon Village, a community member shared the following with the nurse, "In our village when someone falls down and faints we push a lit piece of wood into their foot. We have experienced a case when one man fell over and a lit stick was pushed into his foot. He got a blister in his foot and could no longer walk until it had healed. We now know what the correct way is to treat someone that falls down." In 2016, 66 women and 49 men in rural Malekula, accessed quality health care through this project.

Another objective under this project is to retrofit Wan Smolbag to become an official evacuation centre. WSB has consulted NDMO, IOM and other evacuation centres in Vanuatu and has compiled all required plans and quotations to retrofit WSB. An evacuation centre manual for WSB staff has also been drafted. To become an official evacuation centre, WSB will need to demolish its main toilet block, in the main theatre, and replace it with an increased number of toilets and ensure that there is disability accessible toilet. It was evident after the quotations were compiled the retrofitting would not be possible with the budget allocated under the resilience program. WSB tried to source additional funding with the endorsement of the NDMO through the Prime Minister's office. The Prime Minsters Office has submitted this project to the EU for consideration for funding and is currently waiting to hear back if the application has been successful. WSB should know the outcome of this application in early 2017.

# Governance that aims to promote good governance, leadership and accountability across all of society.

The Wan Smolbag good governance program continues to raise awareness on how public institutions conduct public affairs and manage resources, and aims to enhance knowledge of human rights, and the laws that support them.

#### Family protection

Due to positive community reactions to the domestic violence play 'Clara mo John' in 2015, extended touring of the domestic violence play was completed to Malekula, Santo and Efate under the Good Governance Program in 2016. The domestic violence play was performed in each community and was followed by a short workshop on domestic violence and family life. The central characters of the play are a husband and wife, Clara and John. John is an abusive husband and the play examines how his actions are impacting his wife and children. The play looks back into Johns past and at what caused him to think violence was 'OK'. This play helps to educate audience members about the 'Family Protection Act' and how it can be accessed and applied.

This domestic violence play 1452 people on Malekula, Santo and Efate (48 % male and 52 % female) in 2016. This play and the accompanying workshops provoked many strong reactions amongst community members. In rural Malekula, 81% of audience members surveyed reported having a previous experience with domestic violence and 88.89% of audience members reported that problems such as domestic and family violence were predominately dealt with by chiefs rather than the formal justice system. Audience members reported being more aware of domestic violence laws and women's rights after watching the play with 92.59 % of audience members reporting learning about the 'Family protection Act' for the first time after watching the play.

WSB continued to be an implementing partner for the AusAid funded Stretem Rod Blong Jastis program. In 2016 four sports days were organised and aimed at educating young people about their sexual and legal rights. The theme for each sports day was 'Sex and the Law' and teams competed through a series of challenges that built their understanding of laws around sexual rights.

"I want to say that this activity really helped us learn somethings that benefited me and the people on my team. We learnt a lot about our health and our rights so I think it would be good to do more of these sports days in the future"- Youth participant in SRBJ sports day Participants were 16-21 years of age and were predominantly from the peri-urban communities surrounding WSB. In focus group discussions held with participants after attending the sports days, the youth mentioned learning about types of sexual behaviours that are against the law such as rape, incest and sexual harassment. Youth also reported being better informed to exercise their rights and make safe choices relating to their sexual health, partners and future planning. Participants also learned about family protection orders and had the chance to engage directly with guest speakers from the Vanuatu Women's Centre, a Public Prosecutor and the Police. Youth asked the police questions such as "What do you say about the police that came to my yard and beat up all the youth", the police answered "Those police officers are breaking the law. You should report them, even if you are scared of them."



A high proportion of those surveyed in the baseline for the project, believed that they could access a family protection order through their chiefs. Were they to go to the chiefs with a domestic problem, they would most likely end up having the problem dealt with in the village nakamal. 43.3 % of baseline respondents also mentioned they could get a family protection order through the police but they were all unaware that they could obtain orders from the women's

centre. This indicated that any young women in the baseline group who wanted a protection order, but did not want their partners to be convicted of a crime, would be unable to access a family protection order. 73.3% of the sports day participants reported they could access a family protection order through the Vanuatu Women's Centre (VWC) with 6.6 % of the respondents mentioning that the VWC has a lawyer to help them. This means that the young people involved in the youth and sports program are more likely to access the VWC and therefore obtain a family protection order if they are under threat. None of the end-line group mentioned chiefs at all. This shows that most young people would not actually want to have their problems dealt with by a chief if other options are available and that there has been a change in knowledge regarding how to access a protection order because of these sports events. Total attendance for these sports days came to 557 youth (with 78% male attendance and 22% female participation).

Low risk offenders are required by corrections to attend workshops on gender, life skills and reproductive health at Wan Smolbag before release on parole and 7 men in Port Vila attended the workshop in 2016. These workshops were intended to provide a space for the detainees to reflect on how their actions had impacted the lives of victims, the family of the victims, as well as on their own families. The workshops also were aimed at getting the detainees to take responsibility for their own actions, acknowledging the law regarding sexual and domestic

violence, premeditation of offences and reproductive health looking forward.

Most of the workshop attendees were sex offenders and looked for ways to justify their actions and found ways to lay the blame on the women and in many cases, children, which they had offended against. Many of the offenders stated that they had been tricked into offending by their victims or framed for the offences they were charged for.

"All of the activities we went through with the offenders really put them in the shoes of their victims. I mainly noticed this with the younger offenders, they also tended to question more the kind of negative statements that the older offenders were making. They realised that what they have done is wrong and accepted what they have done and that they want to change for the better."- Yvette, correctional workshop facilitator

The workshops in Port Vila aimed to give detainees the space to look at their lives in prison and see if it had changed them in any way, or helped to change their attitudes to the crimes that they had committed. **Many reported now** 



understanding that sexual and physical violence were illegal and entailed legal penalties that would impact on their freedoms. However, more deeply rooted behavioural changes were harder to establish with some participants continuing to make excuses for their behaviour and blame their victims.

Due to the amount of premeditated sexual offences committed by detainees in Santo, the corrections department requested WSBs staff

to run a workshop with detainees in Luganville. The focus of the workshop was to have the detainees reflect on their premeditated sexual offences and was aimed at getting the detainees to realise not only the magnitude of their crimes, but also to take responsibility for what they had done to their victims and focus on changing for the better. 14 offenders attended this workshop in Santo.

WSB will be working with the corrections department in early 2017 to review and update the existing MOU and re-examine additional activities that could be added and changes that need to be made to the program.

Prior to the January elections, actors held film screenings of the films 'Vot blong u I sikret' and Eniwan I luk Rose'. These film screenings reached 2496 people (1201 male and 1295 female). In post film screening discussions, community members were provided with information on the salaries, allocations and benefits that MPs obtain in their roles. Discussions revolved around roles and responsibilities of MPs towards the people that elect them, and the importance of voting to obtain good representation.

Governance and Population workshops were held with community leaders from across Efate and Santo and were aimed at raising awareness amongst community leaders on issues surrounding, population increase, and climate change and resource management. These workshops **provided** essential information regarding climatic events affecting the country as well as mitigation measures that they could adapt to lessen the impact on livelihoods in their communities.

WSB held two Chief workshops with 18 Chiefs from north Efate and 25 Chiefs from Santo. These workshops provided chiefs with a space to discuss and reflect on issues facing their communities such as; population increases and its effect on resources/environmental changes, climate change, waste management and contraceptive use and the effect this could have on limiting population growth in their

"The temperature is hotter than in the past. In the past when I was a teenager it was not as hot as it is now. This is due to the fact that we are putting more pressure in the environment by our lifestyle."-Chairman of Tanilou Village

**communities.** "I think that resources are overloaded because there is an increase in the population. I found out that in my village people are over using our natural resources and it has been a big challenge now to stop them. For example, cutting down of trees and fishing. I think it

Chiefs visit to Efate landfill

Participants were taken to see the Boufar land fill to help them understand the impacts that population increase has on the amount of waste produced and its 'flow on' effects for the environment. 78% of chiefs from Efate, reported this was their first time taking

is a good idea for chiefs and government to work together to address these issues."-Chief from Moso Village.

"I learnt a really big lesson from this workshop. Before this workshop I had never learned to talk about family planning with my children, but now I realise that I MUST talk about this with my children and the rest of my family as well. I will also now talk about this in meetings with young men and women so we can help limit the population increase" Member of WSB good governance committee, South Santo.

part in any kind of governance workshop. Many chiefs also reported it being the first time they

received information on population increases and SRH and several chiefs requested follow up visits to their communities in North Efate by WSB peer Educator so they could receive more information on Sexual and Reproductive health as they reported they did not have access to SRH or information on this. Peer Eds reached held follow up awareness sessions workshops in 8 North Efate villages. These workshops also helped Chiefs reflect on what they could do to minimise the impacts of population's increases on their villages and environment.



Governance committee workshops were not held in 2016. Instead WSB management decided it would be a more effective use of resources to hold governance workshops in communities that had active members of WSBs governance committees. This model was followed to ensure more sustainability as members from the governance committees would be consistently present in the communities to address any governance issues the communities came up

against after the workshop. These workshops were on; population, climate change, environment, sexual and reproductive health and held in 51 remote, rural communities and 4 schools across South Santo and Ambrym. These workshops helped community members to see the connection between population growth and pressure this can put on their resources and the environment and these workshops reached 1927. 14 people with disability also took part in these workshops.

WVV also contracted the WSB research department to carry out a piece of research looking at community governance and determinants for community mobilization. Conclusions from this research showed that; strong community leadership, access to a community building, access to a community church, economic empowerment and having a set of community bylaws are all key contributing factors in having a strong community and being able to mobilize a community to achieve positive social change.

# Communications, Research and Policy that aims to create an evidence base for policy and programs, and promote individual and societal engagement and dialogue.

Smolbag Theatre remains an organisation which is open and transparent towards its staff, its donors and stakeholders. WSB is financially transparent with its staff and annually presents its full financial outlook to all staff at the end of year AGM. In mid-2016 WSB faced some funding cuts so it also held an extraordinary AGM with all WSB staff and held an open discussion on ways it could limit the impact of these funding cuts on WSB activities, without the termination of staff. WSB continues to follow strong financial practices and in 2016 the accounting department completed its accounting and financial procedures manual as a guideline for its finance officers. Through its strong IT systems, quality research practices and strong project management, Wan Smolbag continues to successfully manage its wide array of programs. Continued collaboration with tripartite partners also ensures that activities are ongoing and improvements are made where necessary.

With the 'Roadmap for Change' strategic plan document, Wan Smolbag has refined its vision and goals for the future of the organization. Despite funding levels dropping to well below what is needed to effectively implement the 'Roadmap for Change', WSB management still try to implement it into program design where financially possible. A key element of the approach for the roadmap is a built-in commitment to internal processes of monitoring, evaluation and learning (MEAL). This includes an ongoing cycle of identifying the change that WSB would like to see happen, and planning how WSB will practically achieve, and assessing, reflecting and adapting strategies on an ongoing basis, in a way that streamlines program implementation and benefits WSBs target beneficiaries. In this way, MEAL processes are embedded in the overall monitoring approach, and ultimately in the ongoing design and redesign of a program. In 2016 this has remained a significant challenge as WSB has lost its long-term M&E manager early in the year. A replacement with a similarly high skill level has proven difficult to recruit as M&E personnel are in high demand and short supply in Vanuatu. Other agencies in Vanuatu also acknowledge the difficulty in recruiting highly skilled M&E personnel. It is especially difficult as WSB is unable to offer high enough salary to retain the level of M&E staff required to meet donor reporting standards. WSB is currently advertising for a senior M&E manager and if unsuccessful, WSB will look at recruiting an M&E expert on a consultant basis to complete more detailed pieces of research on WSB programmes.

Managers of individual projects are responsible for reporting and overseeing budget management. The managers have begun to **recognize outcomes and have contributed useful information and stories of change in their reports.** The research department continues to work with each program area to ensure basic MEAL activities are carried out. **Departments have also made use of new technologies to support monitoring activities and streamlined these tools into their daily activities**. These include; 'google sheets' data bases, barcode scanning systems to keep track of participants in the feeding program and the use of tablet based data entry systems such as 'Kobo' to make data collection and entry more efficient.

In 2016 the Wan Smolbag website underwent a complete rebuild and now has a streamlined scrolling design with built in widgets to the WSB Facebook and you tube pages. Both the Facebook and You Tube pages are regularly updated to inform on program activities and events. The new website design is user friendly and interactive and the Wan Smolbag website received 4480 visits in 2016. These visits were mainly from people in Vanuatu but also had visitors from, Russia, Australia and the USA. 54.15% of people who visited the WSB website were male with the remaining 45.85% of visitors, female. The Facebook page, more often accessed by youth and communities, received over 2788 likes and had 2762 followers in 2016, and regularly receives interactions and feedback from community members on WSBs activities, through this page.

IT systems continue to be responsive and have been improved and strengthened to protect against data loss and viruses. Since being hit with a virus in 2014 that resulted in massive data loss, The IT department continues to implement three layers of backups and fortnightly manual virus scanning to manually remove any viruses not removed by the centralized antivirus system.

# Major Challenges and Risks

Challenges and Risks	Management Response
Climate	
Cyclone Recovery and Future Preparedness	

The free lunch program at nutrition started as a response to TC Pam to meet the needs of the communities surrounding WSB. It became clear to assist the community with their recovery the feeding program was still needed in 2016. This continued to present several logistical challenges such as providing food for the large numbers of people attending Wan Smolbag Nutrition centre – up to 600 within a three-hour period, and second for regular and accurate monitoring of many daily beneficiaries.

Additional staffing was provided where necessary to support additional program activities post cyclone. The electrical supply was upgraded to support the additional activity at the centre. Additional security staff were employed for crowd control. A shaded area was installed at the front of the nutrition centre to ensure the participants waiting in line did not overheat. New data collection tools and a barcode scanning system were used to allow for streamlined monitoring and easy identification of beneficiaries. Registration procedures were also streamlined to have minimal impact on participants accessing the feeding program.

WSB is aware that it will become a default evacuation centre for the surrounding communities in a future extreme weather event.

WSB has worked with the NDMO and IOM to draw up plans for retrofitting the centre to meet national standards. WSB has applied to source additional funding to complete the retrofitting of the centre. WSB also has drafted an evacuation centre manual based on WSB staff experiences during TC Pam and the challenges they faced with evacuees. WSB has installed an industrial sized generator to support the centre in a future extreme weather event. WSB have also gone through contingency planning training with Oxfam international and will be drawing up their organisational contingency and emergency response plan in 2017.

With programs, such as the Resilience Program, that involve working to with community members to identify community needs and working with the community to meet these needs, there is risk that In the communities that WSB works with for the resilience program, WSB has followed participatory processes to identify community needs. In these communities, the needs are great and funding from the project cannot always meet these needs. In these cases, WSB, where possible

community expectations are too high for what can feasibility be delivered.

have applied for additional funding to meet these community needs. It still remains a challenge to manage community expectations in some communities.

#### **Implementation**

#### Participation of community members/ stakeholders

Many programs rely on the active participation of community members, such as environment volunteers, school teachers and class/workshop participants. For volunteers, challenges lie in motivation and support for their activities, while it can often be challenging to community members to attend trainings and/or participate in activities.

Volunteer concerns have been addressed through consultations and creating more opportunities for them to be involved. The Annual General Meeting provides a platform for these issues to be heard and addressed. This regional support network provides volunteers with peer motivation and support.

#### **Funding**

The projects rely on funders for travel, staffing and activity expenses. In some projects, such as the environment, funding can sometimes be limited for supporting volunteer monitor activities.

Obviously in any volunteer network, some volunteers will be more eager and committed and some will have to move on to in order to earn more money. Given our limited funds we have to try and devote more time to those who show the most interest and also to the areas with more turtle breeding beaches.

There are inherent risks in running youth centres. They are not schools and are catering for a vulnerable section of youth, those who are unemployed and not in school. Attendance cannot be guaranteed. WSB is also limited in the funds it has access to, to attract tutors of sufficient quality. There is also a shortage of managerial level of youth worker.

At the end of 2016 WSB conducted assessment of the future direction of the youth centre. WSB felt it had focused too much on classes and were not creating enough of a sense that youth could regard WSB as a safe and enjoyable space simply to be in; and that without creating that atmosphere, WSB risked creating an atmosphere like the schools they had either not fitted into or been rejected from. 2017 will see some changes that WSB hopes will be saying to youth that WSB is place to learn not only new skills but also a place to find a voice and interact with people that respect them and hope that they will also learn to respect other people. There is also a small but useful new partner, Grant Thornton, Australia who will enable WSB to continue with the breakfasts for the literacy classes and the tutor staff which in turn allows WSB to explore new activities to keep the centre innovative.

The full effect of the cut in funding that started in 2014 became apparent in 2016. 2015 had been easier due to DFAT allowing certain items from the last Love Patrol that were no longer needed, to be used for new films in 2015. Given the local skills built up as a result of Love Patrol and the film equipment WSB now had WSB is keen to maintain a body of film work. Although live Drama is a powerful tool, the basic reach of film is wider.

WSB took on a small film commission from CARE International and produced the very popular film about teenage pregnancy, 'Yu no Save Ronwe long Love' and requested additional funds for a later film 'Talemaot' from Pacific Women Shaping Pacific Development (Pacific Women). The core money for film was used to make a feature called Abomination. Even with Abomination WSB had to source extra funds from projects inside WSB that were underspent.

From 2016s film season WSB has been found that about 13 million vatu is needed to make a film. WSBs have allocated 9 million vatu to film in 2017 and will explore both cheaper ways to make scripts and additional projects to support film work. An additional risk WSB needs to address is the wear and tear of the film gear which used to be paid for out of the Love Patrol budget. WSB is exploring options to mitigate this risk in 2017.

The outcomes expected by some projects are unable to be achieved without additional funding from other sources.

Resilience project staff have applied for additional funding for the evacuation centre retrofitting and applied for additional funding on behalf of rural communities to repair their water systems.

#### Clinic and confidentiality

The expansion of clinic services to nonreproductive health services, was felt by nurses working in the clinic to have an impact on the ability of young people in nearby communities to access reproductive health services. As there is a high level of need for general healthcare services in the area, a decision was made to maintain these services at KPH until an alternative site could be identified. The alternative site was the Tagabe Clinic but the municipality has yet to renovate the clinic. The general service waiting room was moved to the upstairs level of the KPH building to ensure patient confidentiality.

The expansion of clinic activities to include non-reproductive health services added extra strain on the space available in the clinic.

In early 2016 an additional waiting room was completed just outside the KPH building to handle overflow from the clinic waiting room in cases of outbreaks. The space also doubles as a space for the Peer Eds to hold workshops and a meeting space for VPride.

The hospital lab has notified WSB that it will start charging WSB clinics to test samples.

Historically, the lab did not charge WSB as it had an understanding with the KPH clinic. All STIs continue to be treated syndromically and a formal request to the MOH of health to include for free testing of results in the revised MOU has been made. In the meantime, other options such as 'rapid testing kits' are being explored.

#### Limited space for activities

Some programs, particularly the youth centre, face space restrictions as they run numerous classes simultaneously, along with special workshops. There can also be noise issues from different classes (e.g. music and dance) that can interrupt other classes as well as interrupting rehearsals, administrative activities and film editing. Actors also experience difficulties with rehearsals being interrupted by youth centre classes in shared spaces.

These issues are currently being managed by forward planning, coordination of classes and workshops. Additionally, WSB decided to upgrade an unused garage space to become the new Hiphop / dance room. Pacific Peoples Partnership contributed to the cost of the refurbishment and WSB financed the rest of the project out of its own core funding. Hip-hop classes are now no longer interrupted by rehearsals or other workshops. Due to the position of the new dance room the dancers no longer have to worry about interrupting, administration, rehearsals or the editing suite. The new actor's room was also completed with additional funding from a private donor. Actors now have their own space to go over scripts and complete reports.

#### **Duty of Care**

With a large amount of youth members, WSB has a duty of care to provide a safe environment for service users to prevent the possibility of an incident occurring and/ or to manage a situation should an incident occur.

WSB's 'Child Protection Focal Points' have gone through training with Oxfam and Oxfam has agreed to provide Child Protection Training to all new WSB staff. WSBs Child Protection Policy has been revised and the changes were passed at the 2016 AGM. A complaint handling and suggestion box has been placed in Youth Centre foyer for youth to have input into how the services are delivered to them. Disciplinary procedures are invoked where required, and youth are suspended from attending the youth centre where such incidents occur.

#### **Education**

For many years' students in the literacy class struggled as on top of learning how to read and write, the instruction was in English, a language that most students could not speak.

In 2016 the literacy class followed the lead of the Ministry of Education and switched to Bislama instruction. This has made a significant impact on the learning experience for the children and has seen the students' progress over the last year.

#### Context

#### **Gender participation**

In some areas, it is still difficult for boys and girls/ men and women to participate in activities together. This impacts both the opportunities available to youth and adults, and relations within communities.

Where appropriate, some classes/ workshops are run separately for boys and girls/ men and women. In other areas, such as in the Vanua-tai environmental network, women are actively encouraged to join the network and a women's

subnetwork has been set up and looks at ways women can specifically impact conservation activities. In sports, the Women in Sports program was implemented to encourage extra participation from women. The removal of the registration fee for women's Futsal teams has also seen an increase of women involved in the sport.

#### Management

Staffing - limited staff/ staff retention/ staff training

In some projects, such as environment, the project's success lies largely with few staff who are often over-stretched. Additional support is needed to ensure the sustainability of projects.

In many projects, including the environment project, volunteers have been engaged to work with local staff which has helped to relieve the workload. Managerially, though, the program has never recovered from the untimely death of George Petro who has proved impossible to replace. Additional support for the network has been sourced through VSA. The new volunteer will upskill and assist current program staff. In the case of the youth centre, some senior youth have been given the responsibility to coordinate tasks within a designated activity to assist the tutors.

While staff retention is currently good at WSB, it is a recognised risk that staff leaving can place stress on the organisation's programs. In some areas, it has been identified that staff could use some additional training to ensure they can adequately fulfil their job requirements.

Staff retention is good and WSB provides many opportunities for those without formal qualifications to assume leadership roles, for example, also facilitate workshops and write reports. However, it is still hard to recruit local M&E experts and other higher levels of project management. This situation has been made worse by the (hopefully) temporary absence of WSBs CEO on a scholarship.

#### IT

In 2015 Wan Smolbag systems were hit by a virus which set WSB's data back to July of the previous year.

In 2016, the IT department continues to run fortnightly manual virus scanning to manually remove any viruses not removed by the centralized antivirus system.

### **Lessons Learned**

Throughout 2016, several lessons have been learned during project implementation, which are listed below:

- Cyclone Pam demonstrated that WSB's facilities were, one, the obvious place for nearby communities to run to and, two, that the facilities themselves need strengthening. WSB repaired its water tanks and installed drainage in 2016 to help the centre withstand a future extreme weather event. WSB also investigated what it would need to do to become an official evacuation centre, additional funding is required before retrofitting can be completed.
- In 2016, WSB produced internal guidelines for working as an evacuation centre during future extreme weather events. A generator has been purchased and installed will supply the clinic and main theatre with electricity during a power cut. In preparation for the closure of WSB over the holiday period, staff took care to move electronics and other materials to safe areas not at risk of flooding as many WSB assets were lost in TC Pam due to flooding. Door stops to prevent flooding and cyclone shutters were also installed over the holiday period (also the cyclone season). A new publications storage space was built to protect WSB resources from future extreme weather events.
- TC Pam brought to the surface what WSBs role can be in assisting communities' recovery from a disaster. Projects in 2016 such as the resilience project, and WVV UNP and Agricultural programs focus on building up the strengths of nearby communities, identifying and supporting emergency plans, and supporting adaptive practices (enriching soil through composting, use of drought resistant crops) to support livelihoods, and improving healthcare. Wan Smolbag has learned to adapt activities to environmental changes, and modify programming to adapt to the needs of the communities it serves.
- Additional smaller development and recovery projects have helped WSB to continue and extend work. For example the partnership with Island Reach was organised to assist in both an advisory capacity and also assists with logistical activities for Vanua-tai. The inclusion of other projects has required greater management oversight and coordination, and required an increase of coordination between departments.
- In the annual partner's capacity assessment meeting with Oxfam, Oxfam suggested implementing a 'staff review' system. WSB management staff developed a context appropriate and constructive way of reviewing staff performance. Thus, several issues with staff have been addressed and staff have been provided with a clear list of ways the can improve their job performance. Staff were also given the review as a forum to discuss any issues/ concerns they may have had directly with management and were also given feedback on the positive aspects of their job performance.

- At the request of the Ministry of Health after TC Pam, KPH clinic services were expanded to include general healthcare services alongside the usual reproductive health services. Feedback from some clients indicated that mixed waiting rooms for both general health care and sexual and reproductive healthcare, led to some clients feeling the service was not as confidential in as in the past. This impacted on the ability of young people in nearby communities to access reproductive health services. The need for local general healthcare services were considered by management and community members to remain important, and a decision was made to maintain these services. Management decided to move the general service and its waiting room to the upper level of the clinic. There have been no more reports of confidentiality issues since this change was implemented.
- Youth centres are fluid changing institutions and WSB management needs to be mindful
  of the changing contexts and new interests that emerge for the youth. We have initiated
  additional feedback mechanisms and we plan to address dynamics of space use; see
  comments above under risks.
- One lesson learned is that you can learn a lesson but that still won't solve the problem. WSB prefers the core funding model of recent years and yet WSB still has to acknowledge the limits of the aid budget. WSB takes on additional projects to try and ensure that it can retain staff who are badly in need of work. WSB sees laying off staff as the very last option as it means that WSB also loses a skills base. The majority of the small projects WSB takes on, it does not actively seek. Many international NGO operating in Vanuatu seem to have a large project that they then seek WSB's assistance in implementing. This is very flattering but also places additional strain on management creating additional budgets, workplans and reporting. In some instances, WSB are asked to do provide detailed workplans and budget and then the project doesn't eventuate.

## **Gender inclusion**

Wan Smolbag recognises the importance of including men and women, boys and girls in all activities where appropriate. While participation alone is important, efforts are also made to ensure women have leadership and decision making opportunities in program activities. Some examples of gender inclusion in Wan Smolbag include:

- Women are encouraged to be involved in the annual Vanua-Tai workshops, volunteer as monitors and in Regional network decision-making structures. In 2016, a 'sub network' for women monitors was set up. Continued development of the women's subnetwork is ongoing.
- Occasionally women/girls and men/boys are invited separately to some workshops if the
  information if sensitive or if deemed necessary to allow for open participation of
  women/girls. Women only sports tournaments have also been held in 2016 as some
  women feel more comfortable playing when men are not present.
- Women tend to lead WSBs community based programs such as the resilience program, in some communities 'gender norms' are very strong and seeing women in leadership role can help break down these negative stereotypes. All three youth centres have women staff members in all areas, including in leadership roles, to act as a role models for the community.
- Positive changes in gender roles can be noticed daily around the nutrition centre both in the staff and the youth. Boys and men are more willing to participate in roles that are culturally thought of as women's jobs, such as grating coconut, making laplap, and washing dishes.
- The majority of classes offered in the youth centres are gender mixed and the percentage ratio varies depending on the class.
- Both men and women participated freely in the post play activities and community workshops and were able to share their points of view as a group to others in the community. In certain instances, the participants were divided into groups according to gender to allow each group to freely share their thoughts and opinions.

# **Annex 1: Individual stories of change**

Individual stories of change are included throughout this annual report, highlighted in colour textboxes. Below are some additional stories that have been collected, that are either too long to include in the main narrative report, or are just reported in addition:

**Francis Wai, 23, Ambae**- I first came to WSB in 2009 and registered in the youth centre computer class program to fill my spare time. At the time, I was a trainee Aircraft mechanical engineer at Air Vanuatu doing practical work experience. The manager of the youth centre noticed I was doing well in the computer class and asked if I would like to help the film department do some work on Love Patrol, which was in production at the time.

I started working as a film wrangler, while teaching myself how to edit. Peter the director wanted to see how much I knew and so he gave me some small advertisements and documentaries to work on, the previous cameraman was leaving WSB so Peter offered me the job, if I was up for it. He put me through some intensive training, learning all the different shots and techniques I'd need to know and after this training, I started work as WSBs cameraman in August 2010 working on Love Patrol. It was very hard but I did my



best to adapt and fulfil what was required of me and this year I completed my first feature film without any outside help from editors or DOP for 'Yumi Go Kale' and a short film 'Yu No Save Ron We Long Lav'. I am proud to be the only camera man and editor of this level in Vanuatu and I am lucky to work on the only film crew in Vanuatu.

WSB dared me to take a leap of faith and try something totally new. I am very proud that I did and now I am an experienced film cameraman and editor. I think I made the right choice to give up engineering as I discovered my passion, it took me six years to grow my passion for film. The difference between these two jobs is if I had become an engineer, I would have just stayed in the hanger all day, but with film I've had the chance to travel with it, I've been to the University of Goroka in PNG to make a short film about drugs and violence and I have travelled to Malekula to make a film about disability. The locations I have had the chance to film in were amazing and the knowledge I have gained over the years, working alongside Peter Walker (the director) and the Aussie DOP has been a great experience.

The 'life skills awareness' I have learned at WSB has also been valuable too (on SRH, health and relationships) as domestic violence is so normalised in Vanuatu, I've seen my Dad do it and WSB helped me to realise this is not a healthy way to be. WSB also take every effort to help their staff when they are facing hard times in their personal lives, instead of just 'writing them off' as some other places would. For example, when I was having problems in my relationship WSBs CEO and director took the time to sit down and talk with me and my girlfriend, I realised that verbal abuse is just as bad as physical abuse and now things are a lot better between us.

My job at WSB has taught me many skills that I would not have learnt otherwise. My main task is to keep the director calm always. I have become his personal 'IT man' and had to teach myself a lot of things, I'm his 'go to guy' and in film making there is always 'one file' missing or hard drive not working. Some filming conditions are hard and require a lot of patience, I really enjoy working hard and solving problems. I have really learned how to overcome obstacles and problem solve through my work in WSB. Peter has left things to me a saying 'please sort this out' which has pushed me to draw on my own resources and knowledge to get through a problem. I now have worked at WSB for almost seven years. Over this time, I have developed a passion for film making and cinematography and really grown professionally as well as personally. In 2016 I got awarded an Australian Scholarship for 2017- 2019 to study for a degree in cinematography. I am glad that Peter gave me a chance to work here it has really helped me a lot and helped me to become more mature. I am thankful to WSB and I am excited to study and come back to Vanuatu and contribute more to Ni-Vanuatu film making and cinematography.

## Mary Siro, 28, Malekula-I first joined WSB as a youth when I was 16. I left school early as



my parents couldn't afford the school fees. I was young, unemployed and didn't have much to do so I asked my family if I could move to Port Vila. They weren't too happy with the idea but I did it anyway. I joined music classes at Wan Smolbag, helped to set up the singing class and joined the sports department.

WSB has really impacted my life in lots of ways, I had dreams to achieve like helping young kids go back to school, stop drugs and turn their lives around and I also wanted to get a good job, this was a big dream for my future. When I heard about WSB I knew it could help me reach my goals and I achieved these goals through WSB.

One of the main things WSB has taught me was leadership. Over the last 10 years WSB has provided training and leadership opportunities such as; life skills training, leadership training and hockey training. My career took off once I joined the WSB sports department

and I was able to attend training overseas such as; '54 young Olympic value' - Greece, 'Oxfam International Youth Partnership' - Sydney, 'Training of all young emerging leaders for Melanesian countries' (MSG SPC)' - Vanuatu, 'One young world training (climate change, education domestic violence)' - Canada, 'Queen young leaders training' - England and 'Pacific women in sports training' - PNG.

I made the hard decision to leave WSB in the middle of this year as I was offered a two-year contract with the Melanesian Spearhead Group (MSG) as the national coordinator of the 'Youth at work' program. I look after Santo, Pentecost, Malekula, Ambrym, Ambae, youth programs, I go to the villages to run awareness and I help youth into internships. WSB has equipped me with the social and organisational skills to do this job.

My work with WSB has really helped me to know my rights as a woman, employee as well as knowing the rights of children and PLWD. It also taught me how to look after the environment, even though I don't work in that area. WSB has taught me to look after my health and the health of my family. I was a role model to youth at WSB, so I hope I have helped young people to achieve their dreams. I have gone back to school and earned a 'cert 5 in Youth work', this is a big dream that I have achieved. The biggest

dream I had was to help all young drop dropouts who are turning to drinking and drugs. The 53 youth that I am now working with, I am helping them get their lives back on track so I am achieving my dream now through the work I do.

I still work with WSB (through NCYC in Santo) I will link with them and use their space and youth to run my trainings. I really want to continue learning and upskilling myself so I will be applying to the East-West centres leadership program, to study in Hawaii then Japan in mid-2017. Thank you to WSB for helping me to achieve all my dreams, without WSB facilities, platform and trainings I wouldn't be able to reach these dreams and I wouldn't be where I am today.

#### Holingswold, 17, Banks- I

joined WSB in 2015. Frank, the swimming teacher, told me about the swimming class so I came to join the youth centre. I finished school in class 6 so I wasn't doing much. I was just hanging around the house and I was starting to hang around with the 'wrong crowd' before I joined WSB. After I joined the youth centre I didn't follow all the 'kranke man' that I had been hanging around. I had a new focus in my life which was swimming. I stopped going out late and started going to bed 'on time'.



Before I joined WSB my life almost went the wrong way, the group I used to hang around with got chased by the police a few times but we weren't caught. Now I stay out of trouble and focus on my swimming. This year I was lucky enough to go to Australia with the swimming tutor Frank, so we could both get our swimming teaching qualifications (although they can't sign off on my certificate until I turn 18) as I've started leading some of the swimming classes. I learnt heaps of new skills in the pool, as in Vanuatu we only train in the open sea so I learnt how to do tumble turns in the pool. I also learnt how to teach properly, not like most teachers in Vanuatu that just keep going if the kids don't understand something. We learnt how to take our time and to make sure young children understand what we are teaching them. From this trip, I have realised that there is another level I can get to with my swimming and I can push myself to go the distance.

The other swimming tutor Nancy, has said that we will compete in Fiji and around the Pacific once the swimming federation is registered which will happen sometime in 2017. I am glad that I joined WSB because if I had stayed at home I would not be where I am now and would not have the skills that I have. Now a lot of people come up to me and talk to me because they know about my swimming skills and I have had a chance to travel and learn new things. Swimming is my favourite sport so I am happy I can do what I love and I have had a chance to start teaching. Next year the swimming federation have said they will pay me an allowance to teach so I am very happy about this! I have also created my own swimming club this year and I hope to develop it more in the future.

Lolyn, 22, Efate- I joined WSB in 2013

as I was interested in learning piano/ keyboard. After a few weeks, I decided to switch to join the vocal class. Since then, I have always attended the vocal class and as I have a good natural voice. I finished my year 13 at Tebakor College and enrolled at USP in preliminary courses. I never lost sight of the fact that I want to be a good singer and musician so that is why I ended up at WSB.

In 2015 I did an attachment with the Live & Learn organisation and this year I got



employed by South Pacific Electrics Company. WSB to me is the best organisation and has helped me a lot, even though I was fortunate to reach year 13 and had some work experiences, WSB assisted me in many ways. I had the opportunity to practice my computer skills and learned new computer programs which I have never known before. WSB staff that I worked with on the UNICEF project, gave me a reference which helped me get my current position at South Pacific Electrics. The UNICEF project also helped me to build my confidence.

The vocal class has really shaped me to be a great singer and has built my confidence to be in front of people. I used to be a very shy girl and joining the WSB programs has contributed in building my confidence in front of people and the courage to be strong to face any challenge. I am proud to say that I have learned a lot with WSB on; reproductive health, pottery, sewing, computer, dancing and vocal techniques.

I feel confident as a young woman and my involvement with different youths at the centre helped me to me to learn to interact with people no matter what their background is. From the vocal techniques, I learned, I use them to sing in our local church and I am so pleased when I see people enjoying my singing. I would like to thank WSB for what it has done for me throughout the years and now I have found employment at the South Pacific Electrics working as a receptionist and assisting in clerical responsibilities.

#### Nicholas Job, 36, MCI community, Efate

Nicholas is a young father who took part in the 2<sup>nd</sup> awareness session that WSB youth ran in his community on vaccination. His below story demonstrates the importance of increasing community awareness/ knowledge of vaccination.

"I am a parent and I learned a lot from the awareness the group came to talk about. I have 3 kids and my youngest is almost 5 months old. The day before the awareness, my son was due to visit the nurse for his vaccination. I told my wife to stay home and not take the baby for his vaccination as I knew that he would cry and disturb us in the evening, we had experienced it with our other 3 kids. The next day I came to the awareness session to listen to the songs and the talks and learned about the importance of the



vaccinations and I realized that I had the wrong idea about the vaccinations. These vaccinations will

protect my kids for their lifetime from the dangerous sickness that can affect the kids anytime from childhood to adulthood. I am so grateful and thankful to the team who came to our community to share the information through songs and pictures. I got the message and will help other members in our community to know the importance of these vaccinations and to make sure their kids get all the vaccinations. My child still has 1 more vaccination to take when he is a year old, and I will make sure he gets it!"

**Glen, 16, Santo-** Glen lives with his grandparents, his grandparents were not very strict with him and he ended up smoking marijuana, drinking and got thrown out of school in class 6. He followed a group of bigger boys, got into trouble and was fighting in town. He heard about the youth centre and decided to see what it was about. He saw there were lots of things he could learn from NCYC like Hip-hop, arts and music. He heard that there were no drugs allowed in the centre so he followed the centres no drug policy. He stopped hanging out with his old friends and stopped smoking marijuana. Glen is now one of the best students in the Hip-hop class and is focused and doesn't drink, smoke or fight anymore.

**Joseph, 19, Banks-** Josephs parents live in Santo while he and his twin brother went to school in the Islands. One day his parents told Joseph he had to leave school as his parents could not afford school fees for both brothers. Joseph left his brother at school in the islands and came to Santo. He didn't have anything to do and was getting into trouble. While watching the WSB actors perform, he heard about NCYC youth centre so he decided to join the centre. He attended every class he could, even sewing! He also joined the Hip-hop class and the teacher explained the rules about no drugs so he decided to live by himself away from his old friends, so he wouldn't be tempted to use drugs again. Joseph is never late for his class and now has a steady job, but he still attends classes in his lunch break. He doesn't take any drugs and has found a new group of friends and is the team leader of a dance group.

**Tamata, 16, Pentecost-** He was heavily involved in smoking marijuana and used to steal from his own family and sold what he stole to his friends to pay for his drug habit. He joined NCYC to learn carving, he was very quiet and didn't speak too much. He started to watch the dance classes but was too shy to join in. Tamata watched the classes for a few months and the Hip-hop teacher asked if he wanted to join in. The teacher explained that he would have to follow the rules of the youth centre if he wanted to join in. He told Tamata that he was not allowed to fight, steal or smoke and Tamata said he wanted to change and follow the rules. Now Tamata is not scared to talk and join in on activities. At first, he was scared to join the girls in the rock step class. After dancing in this class, he is not shy around girls and now has lots of friends, he shares food with all his friends and doesn't fight anymore.

**Lorenzo Nasse, 26, Pentecost** - Lorenzo has disabilities and joined WSBs literacy class in 2014. Lorenzo was very shy and didn't know how to read, write or even communicate with other kids inside the classroom. Despite this, Lorenzo persevered and came to the class every day. He tried his best in class and he slowly started improving his reading and writing skills. The change from English to Bislama instruction in the literacy class has also helped Lorenzo to

improve his reading and has improved his understanding of the class. Lorenzo is also heavily involved in sports at the youth centre and his favourite sport is hockey. He is the keeper for the kids Hockey team at WSB.

**Lilian Tasso, 18, Ambrym** – "I moved to Port Vila when I was in year 8, my parents could not afford to pay for my school fees, although I really wanted to continue. I first registered with WSB youth centre in 2010 and joined the nutrition, hip-hop, rock-step, voice, computer and youth drama classes. I have continued to attend classes for the past six years. I have learned a lot and gained many new skills in dancing and drama. This year I was fortunate to be selected this year to the join WSBs Health Force Acting Group. This group of actors carry out awareness plays to communities and schools based on a wide range of health and environmental issues. I am so happy that since January this year, I've been on the WSB payroll and this has really changed my life. Before joining the group, although I got along with my peers, I used to be shy and had trouble expressing myself in front of an audience. Playing my part within the group has enabled me to better understand the roles and responsibilities of a leader by way of transferring knowledge to others to make a change in their life. I will continue to give all my best in my performances and hope to become one of the leading actors for WSB one day. I would like to thank WSB Youth Centre for the services it provides and would like to encourage other young people to never look down on themselves even though they have not completed formal school. Continue to believe in yourself and put all your efforts into what you do".

**Kal Mori, Malekula, 32**- When asked how the CDCCC training provided by WSB has benefited his community Kal mentioned the following to project staff; "This is the first time that something like this has happened in our community and I would like to say a big 'thank you' to WSB for choosing to come and help our community. Now we understand how to manage our budgets within the CDC and we know how to help our community and budget for a disaster within the CDC funds. Ways that can help communities to face disaster have been discussed and we have thought about using our traditional ways to face disaster again such as traditional 'safe houses' and traditional ways to plant our gardens so that we are ready for a disaster, like a cyclone. Now we have more knowledge about disaster and we are preparing our community and families to face the disasters that will come".

**Dora, Pentecost, 45** — "My oldest child is 17 years old but after the awareness you have given us, I think it is a good idea to protect myself even if I am old. My husband is in Santo and if he comes back I don't want any problems. Men are strong and they can force women, so I want to be on the safe side and would like to ask for some condoms to protect myself"

**Stephan Bala, Efate, 32** - "Stephan joined the youth centre 2005 to take part in the Hip-hop class. When I started work at the nutrition centre in 2011, I would see him hanging around the youth centre. He never seemed to join the classes he just stood by the road. No matter how many times I walked passed him he never seemed to recognize me. He seemed to be lost in his own world. There were stories that he had been affected by smoking too much marijuana. One day I say another youth member kicking Stephan in the head, he said he had seen Stephan smoking marijuana in the youth centre and he didn't like it. The incident was addressed by the youth centre management. It made me realize what Stephan had to deal with in his own

community. He drifted in and out of the centre for the next few years. In 2014 he came back to the centre in October. He seemed a bit more together and started to join the nutrition class cutting vegetables and helping to wash up. He worked so hard that we hired him during the World Vision Urban Nutrition Program to help with kitchen prep and washing up. He still joins the youth class to this day. He is a completely different person to the one I met in 2011. He is now much more confident and is able to joke and laugh with other people. He was so nervous and quiet when he first joined the nutrition class and he found it hard to look you in the eye. I think maybe be having a routine, something to keep him busy and a purpose and having regular access to food it has helped him to recover from his mental illness"- Emma, Nutrition Centre Manager

**Alpha Solong, WSB Hip-hop tutor-** "All our youth really like the new dance room as it is more private than the old one. The youth also don't need to worry about making noise when they practice their Hip-hop as in the old dance room we always needed to be careful and not play our music too loud as we would disturb the editing suite, other classes, rehearsals and admin staff. Lots of youth were really excited to move in and use the new dance room and they are really excited to paint the new space and make it their own. A lot of the time the old dance room was needed for meetings and workshops which left us without a place to rehearse and caused us to cancel classes, this led to a drop-in youth attending the classes, but now we can go ahead with our scheduled classes without worrying about losing our rehearsal space. Hip-hop is very important at WSB as it draws many students off the street to join classes and many of our hip-hop students have developed their skills enough to go on to be employed full time by WSB. We have an average of 100 students that take part in our hip-hop classes on a weekly basis so having this new dance space has made a big difference for Wan Smolbag staff and the students." — Alpha, speaking about how the new dance room has improved the dance program at WSB.

**Mora, Efate, 20**- "A friend of mind was in VPride and he invited me to join in 2012. I have been member of VPride ever since. Before I joined VPride I was shy and couldn't talk to a lot of people. Now I am confident to talk to anyone and can speak in public. I went to trainings with the Peer Eds and later I was offered a job with the Peer Eds full time! I want to say thank you to WSB for providing a space for VPride as it has helped me so much with my confidence and helped me to find work. If I hadn't joined VPride my life would be different I would just stay at home and not be as confident as I am now."

**Community Member, Tanna**- "In life today in Manuapen, (there are) no more kids with diarrhoea or cough. Sickness has been reduced and so far this is a big improvement after WSB & PHAST workshop. After the performance we learn a lot, especially for someone like me who didn't go to school, I was educated through WSB."- Feed Back from PHAST workshop in Tanna with Care international.

# Annex 2: WSB 2016 Statistics: January- December 2016

### Play Performances- Audience members reached 2016

Jan- June 2016	]					
						Total
Dates	Group	Island	Play	Male	Female	Audience
07.05.16- 18.06.16	Core actors	Efate	Kakae Rat	1266	1594	2860
29.06.16	Core actors	Efate	Hotel Kalifonia	75	115	190
07.03.16- 17.03.16	Core actors	Malekula	Resilience	367	441	808
22.02.16- 29.02.16	Core actors	Efate	Resilience	394	320	714
22.02.16- 29.02.16	Core actors	Efate	Domestic Violence	280	180	460
07.03.16- 14.03.16	Core actors	Santo	Resilience and Domestic Violence	298	266	564
07.03.1614.03.16	Core actors	Malekula	Domestic Violence	231	236	467
12.03.16 - 14.03.16	Core actors	Santo	Bae I kam (Climate change)	120	81	201
25.02.16 <b>–</b> 16.03.16	Rainbow Disability Theatre	Efate	Bae I kam (Climate Change)	1376	1445	2821
21.02.16 – 20.02.16	Rainbow Disability Theatre	Efate	Domestic Violence	910	1098	2008
05.03.2016- 30.06.16	Rainbow Disability Theatre	Efate	Pikinini blong Sea view (disability inclusion).	1898	2087	3985
28.04.16- 31.05.16	Helt Fos	Efate	KPH Play (Family Planning)	965	1304	2269
28.01.16 – 29.04.16	Helt Fos	Efate	Waste Management	1706	1732	3438
04.06.16- 21.06.16	Helt Fos	Santo	Waste Management	417	610	1027
04.06.16- 21.06.16	Helt Fos	Santo	KPH Play (Family Planning)	962	1147	2109
			Totals	11265	12656	23921

July- Dec						
Dates	Group	Island	Play	Male	Female	Total Audience
02.07.16-	Core					
20.08.16	actors	Efate	Hotel Kalifonia	943	1146	2089
19.09.2016-			No Leko Skul and			
30.09.2016	Helt Fos	Tanna	Disaster Plei	1341	1443	2784
25.10.16-						
2.11.16	Helt Fos	Efate	KPH	173	205	378

21.07.16- 3.11.16	Helt Fos	Efate	No Leko Skul (Hygiene Play)	1590	1737	3327
09.09.16-						
18.10.16	Helt Fos	Efate	Market Plei	1391	2021	3412
			No Leko Skul			
			(Sanitation) and			
09.08.16-			Pikinini Blong Sea View			
16.08.16	Rainbow	Malekula	(Disability Inclusion)	2057	1883	3940
05.09.16-						
20.09.16	Rainbow	Efate	Bae I Kam	674	801	1475
	Yut					
31.08.2016	Drama	Efate	Cinderella	564	705	1269
			Totals	8733	9941	18674

2016 Totals	]			
Play Performed	Male	Female	Total Audience	
Domestic Violence Play	1421	1514		2935
Cyclone Preparedness				
(Bae I kam)	2170	2327		4497
Disability awareness				
(Pikinini blong seaview)	1898	2087		3985
Sanitation (No leko skul)	1590	1737		3327
Waste Management	2123	2342		4465
Major Stage Productions (Kakae Rat and Hotel				
Kalifonia)	2284	2855		5139
Resilience	761	761		1522
KPH (Family Planning)	2100	2656		4756
Sanitation (Market Toilet				
Play)	1391	2021		3412
Youth Drama				
(Cinderella)	564	705		1269
Resilience and Domestic				
Violence Plays	298	266		564
Sanitation (No Leko Skul)				
and Disaster (Bae I Kam)	1341	1443		2784
Sanitation (No Leko Skul)				
and Pikinini Blong Sea				
View (Disability				
Inclusion)	2057	1883		3940
		Total		42,595

### WSB Film Screenings- Jan- Dec 2016

Dates	Island	Program	Film	Male	Female	Total Audience
June- August			YGK WSB			
2016	Efate	Film	Screenings	203	221	424
		Good	Vot blong yu I			
Jan-16	Efate	Governance	sekret	1201	1295	2496
			YGK / Yu no			
			save Ron We			
			long Lav/			
Aug-16	Malekula	Resilience	Wasem Han	113	112	225
April- Aug						
2016	Efate	Resilience	Wasem Han	60	72	132
			Yumi go Kale			
			/ Yu no Save			
			Ron we Long			
Aug-16	Efate	Resilience	Lav	116	105	221
			YGK			
			Community			
			Screenings/			
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Nov-16	Efate	Governance	Lav	662	740	1402
					Total	4900

### Peer education across three sites: beneficiaries reached by gender and location

Jan- Dec 2016	Efate	Santo	Pentecost	Totals
Female	2872	1828	183	4883
Male	2217	1637	580	4434
Totals	5089	3465	763	9317

### <u>Life Skills Reproductive Health and Sexual Health Workshops, by gender and location</u>

Jan- Dec 2016	Efate	Santo	Pentecost	Totals
Male	1385	1539	66	2990
Female	521	993	97	1611
Totals	1906	2532	163	4601

# Primary Health Care Services Provided- location, gender and age group

	Haulua,	Wan Smolbag,	Outreach, Southern	
Jan- Dec 2016	Pentecost	Efate	Malekula	Totals
Male under 13	79	709	9	797
Male 14-19	17	225	2	244
Male over 20	156	1187	38	1381
Female under 13	79	638	11	728
Female 14-19	39	214	9	262
Female over 20	257	1366	46	1669
Totals	627	4339	115	5081

# Reproductive Health Care visits by gender, age and location

Jan- June 2016				
Clinic Visits by	Haulua,			
gender	Pentecost	NCYC, Santo	Wan Smolbag, Efate	Totals
Male under 19	0	11	30	41
Male 19-24	3	57	273	333
Male over 25	37	115	215	367
Female under				
19	3	41	216	260
Female 19-24	8	205	1026	1239
Female over 25	36	745	1885	2666
Total	87	1174	3645	4906

July- Dec 2016				
Clinic Visits by	Haulua,			
gender	Pentecost	NCYC, Santo	Wan Smolbag, Efate	Totals
Male under 19	5	68	26	99
Male 19-24	2	34	95	131
Male over 25	4	81	163	248
Female under 19	2	92	1067	1161
Female 19-24 Female over	13	328	1067	1408
25	26	1139	1860	3025
Total	52	1742	4278	6072

Totals for 2016				
Clinic Visits	Haulua,			
by gender	Pentecost	NCYC, Santo	Wan Smolbag, Efate	Totals
Male under				
19	5	79	56	140
Male 19-24	5	91	368	464
Male over 25	41	196	378	615
Female				
under 19	5	133	1283	1421
Female 19-				
24	21	533	2093	2647
Female over				
25	62	1884	3745	5691
Total	139	2916	7923	10978

# Number of condoms distributed by location

Jan- Dec 2016	Totals
Pentecost	1364
Malekula	576
Santo	26,962
Efate	32,865
Total across all sites	61,767

# Mobile Clinic Clients Reached- Port Vila Only

Age	0-13		14-19		20-24		25+	
Gender	M	F	М	F	М	F	М	F
Ranatapau	20	21	14	18	8	28	49	101
Etas	42	44	8	16	15	22	43	134
Teouma	17	15	31	34	6	20	57	76
Totals	79	80	53	68	29	70	149	311
Overall Totals	839							

# Contraceptives provided- by age group gender and location

#### Port Vila Jan- Dec 2016

Method	14-19	20-24	25+	Totals
Depo-provera	94	711	1404	2209
Microlut	91	361	1158	1610
Microgynon	8	17	24	49
Jadelle	0	5	17	22
M/condom	9	11	36	56
ECP	56	50	99	205
Total	258	1155	2738	4151

### Haulua Jan- Dec 2016

Method	14-19	20-24	25+	Totals
Depo-provera	0	3	10	13
Jadelle	0	0	0	0
Microgynon	1	3	19	23
Microlut	3	2	5	10
M/condom	3	1	7	11
ECP	0	0	0	0
Total	7	9	41	57

#### Santo Jan- Dec 2016

Method	14-19	20-24	25+	Totals
Depo-provera	16	153	395	564
Jadelle	0	4	9	13
Microgynon	6	118	296	420
Microlut	2	17	85	104
M/condom	3	13	51	67
ECP	16	26	21	63
Total	43	331	857	1231

#### **Across Sites**

Method	14-19	20-24	25+	Totals
Depo-provera	110	867	1809	2786
Jadelle	0	9	26	35
Microgynon	98	479	1443	2020
Microlut	13	35	114	162
M/condom	15	25	94	134
ECP	72	76	120	268
Total	308	1495	3636	5439

# Youth Centre Registration, by location and age group

January- June 2016	Efate	Santo	Totals
Boys under 19	343	134	477
Boys 19-24	175	83	258
Boys over 25	103	40	143
Girls under 19	187	83	270
Girls 19- 24	116	46	162
Girls over 25	111	84	195

July- Dec 2016	Efate	Santo	Totals
Boys under 19	92	21	113
Boys 19-24	36	24	60
Boys over 25	28	11	39
Girls under 19	69	19	88
Giris under 19	09	19	00
Girls 19- 24	55	20	75
Girls over 25	38	16	54

Totals 2016	Efate	Santo	Totals
Boys under 19	435	155	590
Boys 19-24	226	107	333
Boys over 25	133	51	184
Girls under 19	242	102	344
Girls 19- 24	166	66	232
Girls over 25	151	100	251
Total	1,353	581	1,934

# WSB Staff by gender and location

Jan- June 2016				
	Efate	Santo	Pentecost	Totals
Male	41	11	4	56
Female	42	11	2	55
Total	83	22	6	111

July-Dec 2016				
	Efate	Santo	Pentecost	Totals
Male	39	10	4	53
Female	41	11	2	54
Total	80	21	6	107

### Publications resources distributed by recipient

Jan- Dec 2016							
Schools and				Medical			
higher education	Community	Government	NGOs	Centres	Churches	Other	Total
3953	15008	1765	9418	325	185	306	30960

### Waste Management awareness participants by location and gender

Dates	School/ Community	Male	Female	Totals
24.02.16	Suango Primary	95	78	173
25.02.16	Kawenu Primary School	65	90	155
25.02.16	Anamburu school	134	131	265
25.02.16	Seaside Community School	66	59	125
29.02.16	Vila SDA school	78	91	169
29.02.16	Pango French School	60	29	89
01.03.16	Pango Centre School	52	26	78
01.03.16	Vila North School	15	25	40
01.08.16	Kamewa bilingual school	10	10	20
01.08.16	Sarakata sda school	5	5	10
02.08.16	Sarakata primary school	5	5	10
02.08.16	Saint Therese school	5	5	10
03.08.16	Santo east English school	6	6	12
03.08.16	Santo east French school	5	5	10
04.08.16	Rohani school	5	5	10
04.08.16	Banban school	5	5	10
05.08.16	Port Orly school	5	5	10
09.08.16	Seaside Tongoa	8	12	20
10.08.16	Seaside Futuna	5	15	20
11.08.16	Seaside Paama	7	10	17
12.08.16	Lagoon Tokyo	12	8	20
15.09.16	Black sands Tongariki	8	12	20

16.09.16	Mele Waisisi	9	12	21
	Totals	665	649	1314

### **Governance activity beneficiaries by location and gender**

Island	Topics	Male	Female	Total
	Domestic Violence & Family Life			
Efate	Workshop	238	230	468
	Domestic Violence & Family Life			
Malekula	Workshop	387	414	801
	Population/Environment/Reproductive			
Efate	Health Workshop, May - Efate Chiefs	18		18
	Population/Environment/Reproductive			
Luganville	Health Workshop - South Santo Chiefs	25		25
	Population and Climate Change/			
Santo	Environment workshop, South Santo	587	703	1290
	Population and Climate Change/			
	Environment workshop in Santo			
Santo	Schools	75	82	157
Santo	Domestic Violence and family life	292	320	612
Ambrym	Population and Reproductive Heath	159	164	323
	Population and Reproductive Heath in			
Ambrym	Ambrym Schools	75	82	157
	Totals	1856	1995	3851

# Annex 3: Research projects completed in 2016

The research plan this year covered all areas of programming, which included (alongside the usual documentation and recording of beneficiaries), the following specific projects:

#### Area 1: Nutrition

- Surveys with feeding programme participants
- Surveys with literacy children at literacy breakfast
- Registration of feeding program participants and maintenance of feeding program data base

#### Area 2: Creative Media

- Major theatre production: Viewer surveys, post-play interviews, focus group discussions
- Love Patrol 7 Vanuatu: Street surveys
- Rainbow disability group, Helt Foes Theatre group: follow-up surveys with community members, focus group discussions
- Post film screening surveys
- Sanitation play survey

#### Area 3: Youth and community programming:

- Class attendance records, youth and tutor feedback and observations
- Survey of youth at youth centre, and interview with youth
- Youth drama: focus group with young actors
- Sports: surveys of audience and players at the sports department
- Staff: survey of staff
- Pre- and post-workshop surveys with nutrition
- Baseline for UNDP Shepard's' Mammas Project

#### Area 4: Health

- Peer education monitoring of impact of life skills training
- Toilet survey of communities surrounding WSB.
- Vaccination awareness survey

#### Area 5: Environment

• Surveys with Vanua-tai at annual AGM in Santo

#### Area 6: Governance

Interviews with participants in the chiefs good governance workshops

- Population density research
- SRBJ sport days' baseline and end line surveys
- Research project for WVV on community governance and mobilisation

# Area 7: Other

- Baseline survey and report completed for Oxfam resilience project
- Cyclone workshop survey

# Annex 4: Results measurement table

Results	Indicators	Baseline	Target	Methodology/data sources
Outputs				
Outputs				
Governance activities	Number of community leaders participating in governance committee	2016: 36 committee members	2017: 30	Scheduled annual reporting
conducted	workshop (M/F) (Strategy 6.3)	(28 M/8 F)		
	Number of community members participating in governance screenings, performances and workshops (Strategy 6.1)	2016: 20 committee members	2017: 20	Scheduled annual reporting
Creative media activities conducted	Number of new plays developed (Strategy 2.1-2.4)	2016: 5 (i.e. major production, health	2017: 4	Scheduled annual reporting

	force, rainbow theatre and youth drama)		
Number of plays performed	2016: 9(i.e. all new plays and revivals of plays from previous years)	2017: 8	Scheduled annual reporting
Number of staff acting in	2016:23	2017:23	Cahadulad appual raparting
(M/F) <b>(Strategy 2.1-2.4)</b>	(13 M/10 F)	(13 M/10 F)	Scheduled annual reporting
Number of youth acting in	2016: 29	2017: 30	
WSB youth plays (M/F)	(14 F/ 15 M)	(15F/ 15M)	Scheduled annual reporting
Number of people who view a major theatre production by WSB (M/F) (Strategy 2.1-2.4)	2016: 5,000 people over three-month season; 2017-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning	2017: 5,000 people over three-month season.	Scheduled annual reporting
Number of film or radio products broadcast (Strategy 2.5-2.6)	2016: 4 radio or film products	2017: 3 radio or film products	Scheduled annual reporting
Number of film/ radio products produced (Strategy 2.5-2.6)	2016:4 film products produced	2017: 2 film products produced	Scheduled annual reporting
	Number of staff acting in WSB theatre productions (M/F) (Strategy 2.1-2.4)  Number of youth acting in WSB youth plays (M/F)  Number of people who view a major theatre production by WSB (M/F) (Strategy 2.1-2.4)  Number of film or radio products broadcast (Strategy 2.5-2.6)  Number of film/ radio products produced (Strategy	Number of plays performed  Number of staff acting in WSB theatre productions (M/F) (Strategy 2.1-2.4)  Number of youth acting in WSB youth plays (M/F)  Number of people who view a major theatre production by WSB (M/F) (Strategy 2.1-2.4)  Number of film or radio products broadcast (Strategy 2.1-2.6)  Number of film/ radio products produced (Strategy 2.1-2.6)  August 1 new plays and revivals of plays from previous years)  2016:23  (13 M/10 F)  2016: 29  (14 F/ 15 M)  2016: 5,000 people over three-month season; 2017-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning  2016: 4 radio or film products	Number of plays performed  Number of staff acting in WSB theatre productions (M/F) (Strategy 2.1-2.4)  Number of youth acting in WSB youth plays (M/F)  Number of people who view a major theatre production by WSB (M/F) (Strategy 2.1-2.4)  Number of film or radio products broadcast (Strategy 2.5-2.6)  Number of film/ radio products products products (Strategy 2.1-2.6)  2016: 9(i.e. all new plays and revivals of plays

	Number of publication materials distributed (Strategy 2.7)	2016: 30,000; 2017- 2019, target to be set each year in annual planning	2017: 25,000	Scheduled annual reporting
	Number of new publication materials produced (Strategy 2.7)	2016: 3  2018-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning	2017: 2	Scheduled annual reporting
Youth and community activities conducted	Number of youth attending skill-building classes and provided with opportunities to engage and interact at Port Vila youth centre (M/F) (Strategy 3.1, 3.2)	2016: 1,353 (794 M/ 559 F)	2017: 1,300; 2018- 2019, target to be set each year in annual planning	Youth Centre registration databases; class/activity attendance records; youth and staff evaluations
	Number of youth attending skill-building classes and provided with opportunities to engage and interact at Santo youth centre (M/F) (Strategy 3.1, 3.2)	2016: 581 (313 M / 268 F)	2017: 400; 2018-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning	Youth Centre registration databases; class/activity attendance records; youth and staff evaluations
	Number of youth attending skill-building classes and participating in workshops at Haulua Youth Centre on Pentecost (M/F) (Strategy 3.1, 3.2)	2016: 250; 2018-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning	2017: 250	Scheduled annual reporting

	Number of people attending workshops on nutrition (Strategy 3.3)	2016: 449	2017: 350	Scheduled annual reporting
Health activities conducted	Number of people seen at KPH, NCYC and Haulua Clinics (Reproductive and general)	2016: 15,944	2017:15,000; 2018- 2019, target to be set each year in annual planning	Scheduled annual reporting
	Number of people provided with family planning interventions (M/F) (Strategy 4.1)	2016: 5439	2017: 5000 ; 2018- 2019, target to be set each year in annual planning	Scheduled annual reporting
	Number of people engaged by peer educators in Port Vila (Strategy 4.2)	2016: 5089	2015: 4,000; 2018- 2019, target to be set each year in annual planning documents	Scheduled annual reporting
Environmental activities conducted	Number of communities in which Vanuatu-Tai Environmental Volunteers Monitors are working (Strategy 5.1)	2016: 200	2017: 200; 2018-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning documents	Scheduled annual reporting
	Number of Vanua Tai Monitor Network Volunteers (M/F) (Strategy 5.1)	2016: 500	2017: 500; 2018-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning documents	Scheduled annual reporting
	Number of children to take part in school-based waste awareness sessions (Strategy 5.2)	2016: 1196	2017: 1000	Scheduled annual reporting

2017: 1 Scheduled annual reporting  2017: 50; 2018-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning documents  2017: 2,000 and be
target to be set each year in annual planning documents
2017 2 200
2017: 2,000 people interviewed or surveyed; 2018-2019, target to be set each year in annual planning documents
2017: 10
2018-2019, target to be set each year in Scheduled annual reporting annual planning documents

Beneficiaries learn about the rights and skills of people in 'at risk' groups (e.g. living with disability, MSM, detainees)	Increased appreciation of the skills, rights or lives of people in 'at risk' groups after workshops/ performances	2016: Rainbow theatre 100%	2017: 90- 100%	Audience research (follow up surveys)
	Increased knowledge or awareness in television or radio audience members	Baseline not available	2017: 70%	Research after broadcasts
Young people make discoveries about their talents, skills and capabilities	Increase in youth self-rated confidence	Baseline not available	2017: 50%	Annual surveys of youth centre members
	Youth discover skills or increase skill levels (self-rated)	2016: 50%	2017: 60%	Annual surveys of youth centre members
Beneficiaries have Increased awareness of legislation, human rights, justice and governance	Beneficiaries enhance knowledge or understanding of gender issues, human rights, legislature or governance	Baseline not available	2017:50%	Post workshop monitoring
Audiences and have Increased awareness of health issues, human rights, governance and or environmental issues	Increased knowledge or awareness in play audience members	Overall baseline not available	2017: 50% of audience members	Audience research

	Increased knowledge or awareness in television or radio audience members	2014: LP6: 26%	2017: LP8: 25% of audience members	Research after broadcasts
Audiences and beneficiaries have Increased awareness of environmental issues, and how these relate to their wellbeing	Increased knowledge of environmental issues	Baseline not available	2017:50% of participants	Research after workshops/plays
Beneficiaries are more informed about their health and wellbeing and can access services or take steps to improve their health	Increase knowledge of reproductive health	Baseline not available	2017: 50% of participants	Post workshop monitoring
	Number of clients seeking out clinic services	2016: 15,944	2017:10,000	Clinic database; scheduled annual reporting
Medium term outcomes				
Increased reflection, engagement, and dialogue by and between partner communities, groups youth, and leaders	Partner communities, audiences or groups report increased discussion of issues that affect their lives.	Baseline not available	2020: <25 partners	5 year reflection and reviev
Increased tolerance, acceptance, understanding or	Partner communities, audiences or groups exercise	Baseline not available	2020:<25 partners	5 year reflection and review

respect towards youth and 'at risk' members of society	more tolerance, understanding and respect for youth, or vulnerable, marginalized and 'at risk members of society			
Young people build confidence to contribute across different levels of society	Youth report increased inclusion or participation in community consultations and decisions	Baseline not available	2020: <30 youth	5 year reflection and review
Communities and leaders communicate with each other and with other leaders and agencies to create and support positive change in communities	Community leaders, including chiefs, teachers and church leaders, engaged in improving governance in their communities.	Baseline not available	2020: <25 people	5 year reflection and review
Increased reflection, engagement and dialogue by and between community members, youth and leaders	Members of partner communities, audiences or groups report increased internal reflection on issues that affect their lives.	Baseline not available	2020: <25 partners	5 year reflection and review
	Youth able to identify and talk about issues and injustices that they face with their peers and their community members	Baseline not available	2020: <30 youth	5 year reflection and review
Community resources and waste are effectively managed	Communities and schools improving management of waste (recycling, composting,	Baseline not available	2020: <25 partners	5 year reflection and review, Reports from Vanua-tai monitors

for improved environment sustainability	and appropriate waste reduction), and protection of resources			
Beneficiaries make more informed choices which improve their health and wellbeing	Beneficiaries report changes in their behaviour to improve or support their health and wellbeing	Baseline not available	2017:20%	Research after workshops/plays

Long term outcomes				
Youth and 'at risk' groups to affect positive change in their communities	Youth working actively with their peers and community leaders to support and promote safe and healthy communities	Baseline not available	2025: <25 partners	10 year reflection and review
	People in 'at risk' groups working actively with their peers and community leaders to support and promote safe and healthy communities	Baseline not available	2025: <25 partners	10 year reflection and review
Improved approaches to health, human rights, governance and the environment	Percentage unmet need for family planning	Baseline not available	2017-2019: decrease	MFAT L1 strategic results data collection
	Percentage HIV prevalence amongst 15-24 population	Baseline not available	2017-2019: decrease	MFAT L1 strategic results data collection
	Percentage unmet need for family planning	Baseline not available	2017-2019: decrease	MFAT L1 strategic results data collection

	Partners report direct action on issues that affect their lives.	Baseline not available	2020:<25 partners	10 year reflection and review
	Percentile ranking in voice and accountability	2011: 66 percentile	2017-2019: increase	MFAT L1 strategic results data collection
Community resources are effectively managed for improved environmental sustainability	Community compliance with environmental regulations	Baseline not available	2020: <100 people	10 year reflection and review. Reports from Vanua-tai monitors