



**VLSSS**

*founded in 2012*

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

## **2020/21**



*'Shaping leaders for a brighter tomorrow'*

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# Program Report

VLSSS' 8<sup>th</sup> successful summer school program was achieved in January 2020, with a record 143 students in attendance. Initial planning began soon after to gear up to our 9<sup>th</sup> program in January 2021. In April 2020, as the Covid-19 pandemic closed borders across the globe, Tropical Cyclone Harold devastated Pentecost Island. As a result, the VLSSS committee decided to temporarily suspend all summer school preparation activities so that our team and key stakeholders could focus on the Tropical Cyclone Harold response and recovery.

In October 2020 the VLSSS committee made a collective decision that due to the ongoing global Covid-19 situation and the Tropical Cyclone Harold recovery on Pentecost, combined with limited capacity of the committee members themselves, there would be no summer school in January 2021. Whilst this was a rather inevitable decision given the wider context, it was a very difficult decision to make, with January 2021 the first since 2012 without a summer school on Pentecost.

As the global Covid-19 pandemic endures, the country continues with its efforts to vaccinate the population, and borders remain closed, a lot of uncertainty remains. Given this uncertainty, it is unclear as to when the summer school program will be able to recommence, with a summer school in January 2022 looking increasingly unlikely. VLSSS will continue to monitor the global Covid-19 situation, as well as that nationally in Vanuatu, and make decisions as appropriate for summer school programs. We hope, should a summer school again not be possible in 2022, that January 2023 will allow for the summer school to go ahead again. We will keep our key stakeholders updated, and in the meantime, we wish all of our students, teachers, partner schools, communities, donors, supporters, families and friends all the best, and hope that you stay safe, comfortable and well.

# Financial Report

As the January 2021 summer school was cancelled, our only income for the 2020/21 financial year was an outstanding payment of 28,250VUV for our Sponsor-A-Star program from VLSSS 2020, joining our opening balance of 4,177VUV for a total of 32,427VUV. Our only expenses were 23,815VUV for minor communications and stationary costs to meet our Sponsor-A-Star and annual reporting obligations, leaving us with a final balance of 8,612VUV. See below for a detailed expenditure breakdown.

Date	Item	Price (VUV)	Quantity	Total (VUV)	Supplier	Receipt No.
<b>Communications</b>						
20/03/2020	PO Box Annual Fee	6,900	1	6,900	Vanuatu Post Limited	0294611
3/07/2020	Annual Report Fee	5,000	1	5,000	Vanuatu Financial Services Commission	202007000146
14/07/2020	Printing	575	1	575	Auckland Libraries	000003
14/07/2020	Photo Printing	2,100	1	2,100	Warehouse Stationery	62982
19/07/2020	Envelopes 20pk	380	1	380	Countdown	44-833-938
22/07/2020	Postage	3,535	1	3,535	New Zealand Post Limited	W2800010 12502
27/07/2020	Postage	305	1	305	Unichem Sandringham Pharmacy	232097
6/08/2020	Postage	590	1	590	New Zealand Post Limited	W1157030 17554
10/08/2020	Postage	660	1	660	New Zealand Post Limited	S2291000 51456
19/08/2020	Postage	195	1	195	Unichem Sandringham Pharmacy	235417
31/08/2020	Postage	500	1	500	New Zealand Post Limited	W1157030 19586
28/09/2020	Postage	315	1	315	Pharmacy 455 Mount Eden	4991864
<b>Sub-Total</b>				<b>21,055</b>		
<b>Stationery</b>						
27/07/2020	Stapler	2,420	1	2,420	Warehouse Stationery	87621
27/07/2020	Staples	340	1	340	Warehouse Stationery	87621
<b>Sub-Total</b>				<b>2,760</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>23,815</b>		