



**Wilkins**  
Family Foundation

**'DEVELOPING FUTURE LEADERS THROUGH  
EDUCATION'**



**ANNUAL REPORT 2025**

## Forward Momentum.

Welcome to our Annual Report covering July 2024 to June 2025. The year has seen us move from consolidation to expansion, with the selection of new scholars, extending our catchment across Malampa Province, and the happy task of supporting our first wave of young women moving from education into employment.

To ensure that we can fully support our rapidly growing number of scholars we have increased our staffing of the Vila office, and as we publish this report we are delighted that our new Country Manager Leisei Jimmy is joining us to lead the team from early 2026.

Under Jilda Shem's excellent chairing and leadership, our Vanuatu Committee has continued to develop its oversight and support role, providing direction to the program and initiating an active fundraising strategy to generate more financial and other support from Vanuatu sources.

We have been fortunate to retain funding support from friends and existing supporters, and also increase our recurring donations. The major part of our expenditure is focused on scholarships, and increasing Vanuatu-centred costs in terms of staff and operational overheads.

We continue to be enormously grateful for the continuing support and commitment from all our staff, supporters and Board members



# Our Scholars

## Five of our Scholars took up university and further education places, and three moved into the world of work

As we move into our seventh year of operation, we're delighted to report that many of our early recruits are now well into their tertiary studies and are starting to build their future in the world of work

**Jassinda** was one of the first girls selected into our scholarship program back in 2019. Aged 16 in year 10 at Rensarie College on Malekula, she presented as quietly determined to succeed as an accountant, despite her family struggling to pay her school fees.

Today, Jassinda can be found wearing the WFF logo Polo shirt behind the administration desk in our Port Vila office.

While studying part time to complete her third year of a Commerce Accounting degree at the University of the South Pacific, Jassinda has taken on the Administrator and Finance Officer role for us. She is proving to be a very efficient and valued member of our small team and is a wonderful support to young students joining the program.

Through a Vanuatu government scholarship and part-time work to support herself she is independently pursuing her dream.





## Our Scholars



**Angela Titus** is from Malo island and a former British Friends of Vanuatu scholar, who joined our Foundation for the years when she completed her tertiary studies with USP.

Angela is passionate about sustainable agriculture, food security and self-sufficiency, and during her study years she and family members established an extensive and highly successful fruit and vegetable farm on Malo. In addition to local sales, Angela runs a regular stall at Santo town market where her quality produce is in strong demand.



More recently Angela has commenced work on a second farm, renting several hectares of land close to Santo town, which will enable her to develop and expand her pig-rearing and poultry businesses. The Foundation is continually in awe of what she has achieved, and the energy and commitment she has to building a lasting enterprise for her family and community.



Angela is a true entrepreneur and we're confident that she will take on a leadership role in Vanuatu's farming sector in the years to come. She truly exemplifies our commitment to 'building future leaders through education'.

# Highlights

## **We rolled out our mentoring and additional support program to all of our students**

Under Kathy Solomon's experienced leadership we took our mentoring support program to the next level, ensuring that each scholar received wellbeing counselling, career advice and access to additional tuition where needed

In Vila, we engaged Maths and English tutors to provide valuable weekly tuition to our students in years 11 to 14, both Anglophone and Francophone.

We also initiated additional maths tuition for our Malekula students at Lakatoro school. In a year of continuing teacher strikes in Vanuatu, the tuition has proved invaluable.

Kathy also worked to recruit and train voluntary mentors amongst mature professional women in Vila, Santo and Malekula, culminating in a very successful mentoring workshop run by her and Sallie in Vila, attended by 23 Mentors and 15 students.

Their efforts have created a group of experienced and trained mentors who will be on-hand to support our scholars in the years to come.



# Highlights

**We selected 10 new scholars into the program, taking our total to 28**

After a year of consolidation, we took the decision to move forward and expand and extend our program to offer opportunities to all eligible girls in schools across Malampa Province. This led to the successful selection of 10 new scholars from additional schools on Malekula, and our first Paama-based scholar

Our open selection process generated a good response from schools across the Province. The shortlisting and interviewing was handled by a panel consisting of Vanuatu Committee member Sherol George, Merion Hophand from Malampa Education Department and Letty Kaltonga from our Vila office. Ten new scholars were selected most of whom have begun their Year 11 studies at Lakatoro School. We were delighted to welcome Sanalyn Tasso, our first scholar from Paama, hopefully the first of many.



As we publish this report, selection for our 2026 intake is under way, with a record number of applicants received from Malampa schools

# Finances

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	2025 01 Jul 24 - 30 Jun 25
<b>Income</b>	
Donations - Recurring	\$32,639
Donations - Corporate Recurring	\$10,000
Donations - One off	\$10,076
Donations Partner - BFOV	\$74,410
Interest Income	\$323
Sales (Infoodle/Stripe)	\$135
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$127,582</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Advertising	\$59
Bank Fees	\$206
Bank Revaluations*	\$17
Conferences	\$550
Consulting	\$9,804
Consulting - Leadership Training Camp	\$642
Digital Media - Film	\$2,548
Entertainment	\$1,947
General Expenses	\$77
Interest Expense	(\$31)
Leadership Training - Catering	\$13
Leadership Training - Other	\$42
Leadership Training - Venue hire	\$781
Motor Vehicle Expenses	\$959
Office Expenses	\$918
Printing & Stationery	\$462
Office Rent	\$4,051
Repairs and Maintenance	\$449
Scholarship - School Fees	\$7,576
Scholarship - Tertiary Fees	\$11,405
Scholarship - Boarding Fees	\$3,147
Scholarship - Equipment	\$3,782
Scholarship - Other	\$763
Software Costs	\$2,167
Subscriptions & Memberships	\$63
Superannuation	\$642
Telephone - Mobile Account costs	\$647
Travel/Accommodation - International	\$24,534
Travel/Accommodation - National	\$10,892
Wages and Salaries - Vanuatu	\$17,332
Customs Import Duty Fees	\$188
Government Registrations	\$129
Scholars - Tuition	\$733
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$107,493</b>
<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>\$20,089</b>



# Finances

## Annual Balance Sheet

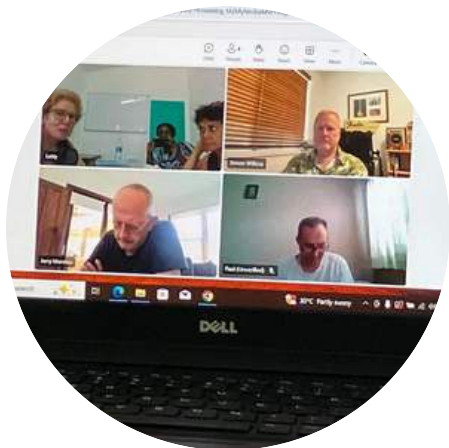
2025

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<a href="#">Assets</a>	
<a href="#">Current Assets</a>	
Call Account	\$1,083
<del>Mekem Gro</del>	\$77,747
Society Cheque Acct	\$41,843
Total Current Assets	\$120,673
<a href="#">Non-Current Assets</a>	
Computer Equipment	\$664
Office Equipment	\$3,307
Total Non-Current Assets	\$3,971
Total Assets	\$124,644
<a href="#">Liabilities</a>	
<a href="#">Current Liabilities</a>	
Accounts Payable	\$5,168
GST	(\$16)
Rounding	\$89
WFF Funds Transfer	(\$1,478)
Total Current Liabilities	\$3,762
Total Liabilities	\$3,762
Net Assets	\$120,882
<a href="#">Owners Equity</a>	
Exchange Rate Recon	\$39
Movement in Net Assets	\$20,089
Retained Earnings	\$100,755
Total Owners Equity	\$120,882



## Our teams



### Board Directors

Simon Wilkins	Chair
Sallie Latella	
Cherie Wilkins	Treasurer
Ros Wilkins	
Jerry Marston	Secretary
Ian Marston	
David Lewis	(joined Sept 2025)

### Vanuatu Committee Members

Jilda Shem	Chair
Sherol George	
Fremden Yanhambath	
Mark Vurobaravu	
Darval Simon	
Presilla Simo	
Sallie Latella	



### Vanuatu Staff

Sallie Latella	Interim Country Manager (from Aug 2024)
Kathy Solomon	Mentoring Manager (from Feb 2025)
Letty Kaltonga	Admin (until May 2025)
Matleen Wamilee	Admin Assistant (until Sept 2025)
Jassinda BongBong	Admin/Finance Assistant (Joined Sept 2025)
Leisei Jimmy	Country Manager (Joins February 2026)





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## ABOUT THE WILKINS FAMILY FOUNDATION (WFF)

We are a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) promoting education and leadership through long term scholarships and mentoring for marginalised girls in Vanuatu

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A donation no matter how small will assist us to alter the course of a young person's life today!

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