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FEEDBACK TO FASA CHARITY PROJECT FROM:

TAMAVUA HOSPITAL – SUVA

We have unloaded yet another container of wheelchairs and commodes. Once again a big thanks to the hard working members of your Charity project whose help has brought much relief to my needy patients.

Vinaka vaka levu.

Dr Jagdish Maharaj,

Tamavua Rehabilitation Hospital

June 2001

MINISTRY OF HEALTH – FIJI

Thank you for your Fiji Association of South Australia's pamphlet, which was ordered to me by the Hon Prime Minister, who met some members of your group on his recent visit to Adelaide, South Australia.

This is our first introductory contact and I request your continuing support and your assistance in providing the necessary hospital and medical equipment to help in our efforts to improve medical health facilities and health care delivery in Fiji.

I look forward to your future commitments.

With kind regards,

S Naivalu

Minister for Health,

November 2002

COLONIAL WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – SUVA

I must extend to you our sincere appreciation for the tremendous work and support that you and your organisation are providing to our hospitals and organisations in Fiji.

The challenges that we face are real in terms of infrastructure to make it friendly for those who are wheelchair bound and those who are supported by crutches etc. in the absence of ramps and rails, restrooms and wheelchair accessible vehicles. Funds that are allocated by government are never enough and there are competing priorities in the delivery of health care to deal with.

Vinaka vakalevu for your kind donations and your last shipment of beds, wheelchairs, patient lockers and commodes which is meeting our shortage and needs in the hospital.

**Regards,
Losalini Tavaga,
January 2005**

ST GILES HOSPITAL – SUVA

We had our last lunch meeting at St Giles Hospital where your latest container of 21 height adjustable hospital beds and mattresses have just been received and funded by an ex Fiji individual. Great stuff and know that they could do with another shipment.

Please allow us to fund your next Container No 12 as we have members who can ensure that there is no attrition of the effort (what is received will get to where it is needed)

Look forward to working with all .

**Cheers,
Les Allinson
Rotary Club of Suva North
September 2005**

SIGATOKA HOSPITAL

The Container is at Sigatoka Hospital at last. Thank you very much for helping the local community in raising the standard of the limited health care services. We hope that soon the Sigatoka Hospital will be a shining example of the benefits of tourism.

Your hard work and that of the VASA-Charity team is very much appreciated.

Regards,
Annie Wade
Hideaway Resort
January 2006

TAVUA HOSPITAL

Sorry for the delay in getting back to you. The delivery of your container to Tavua Hospital was fantastic!

Colonial is very proud to have played a small part in helping to get this container of height and posture adjustable beds, wheelchairs and other equipment to Tavua Hospital. The Doctor in charge of the hospital, Dr. Moon, and his staff, plus officials of the Ministry of Health gratefully received your gifts. Personally, it was one of the most satisfying things that I have been involved with in a long time.

Regards,
Culden Kamea,
Colonial Health, Fiji, March 2007

VUNIDAWA HOSPITAL

Bernie put me on to your group and I must say how privileged we are to have such generous souls both there and here in Fiji assisting with all that needs to be done. Great work! I've spoken to our accounts people and what we need now is the invoice and the documentation giving us the date of arrival.

Regards,
Dr Frances Bingwor,
Ministry of Health, Fiji May 2008

COLONIAL HEALTH - SUVA

Congratulations and thank you for the great charity work you continue to do for Fiji. Colonial were involved last year with the shipping of the container to Tavua Hospital.

We would like to be involved again with a container for one of the outlying hospitals/health centres.

I would appreciate your consideration for us and advice back on a suitable outreach for us.

Kind regards

Nirdesh Singh Assistant General Manager

Group Marketing, Colonial House, Level 2, Suva, Fiji

29/04/07

COLONIAL WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – SUVA

Bula Gus,

Nice to hear from you again. Thanks for the donations.

I'll forward the latest shipment to the Tamavua Hospital.

Regards,

Dr Eloni Tora,

General Manager,

CWM Hospital, Suva

25/06/08

ADELAIDE GROUP HELPS OUT VSIAF

Monika Singh

Sunday, January 23, 2011

Fiji Times

The Viti Spinal Injury Association received a timely boost from the Fiji Association of South Australia (FASA), yesterday.

Association President, Paul McGoon said there were members who found it difficult to move from one place to another because they could not afford wheelchairs.

He said the beds and wheelchairs donated by FASA would make life a bit easier for people with spinal injuries. This donation was made possible through Williams and Goslings and that is why we are here today to receive the items sent over from Australia," he said.

Mr McGoon said the association had more than 100 members in the Central Division.

He said a container from Australia included story books, beds, wheelchairs, tables, desks and computers.

The wheelchairs will help members move with little support," he said.

The association is also carrying out surveys to collate data on people living with disability as a result of a spinal injury.

Clifford Morris, an association member, said they carried out an eight-month assessment in Rewa and the Central Division. He said they worked with the Ministry of Health and the data would be collated



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27th May, 2009

Bula all,

RE: CONTAINER 19 FLOOD APPEAL CLOTHING FOR VICTIMS IN LABASA & HOSPITAL AIDS/EQUIPMENT FOR RURAL HOSPITALS

We would like to thank you all at FASA and all those who were involved in the Fiji Flood Appeal container for their heartfelt donation towards those who were affected by floods at Labasa.

I am sure that the recipients of the donations would be overjoyed with your kindness

We are awaiting feedback from our nominated volunteer Mr Satya Singh [Koko] based at Labasa and we will forward you details on it's distribution in the Northern Division.

VSIAF is also thankful for the medical equipments which we have stored at our Head Office ready for distribution.

Vinaka vakalevu to you all.

Paul McGoon

President

Website:

FASA CHARITY PROJECT – CONTAINER SHIPMENTS TO FIJI

CONTAINER 1-Shipped on MV Fua Kavenga. Arrived Suva 3rd June 1999. Container sponsored by Mr Ashif Razak, Golden Manufacturers, Suva. Distributed to the NRM Tamavua Hospital. 18 folding wheelchairs, 42 adjustable beds on wheels, 16 waterproof mattresses, 40 cartons & boxes assorted surgical, pharmaceutical, medical aids and equipment-sterile gloves, endoscopies, syringes, intravenous equipment, surgical instruments, oxygen masks, theatre garb, tracheal tubes, swabs, Kelly forceps, urethral catheters, gastrostomy feeding tubes, Heparin injections, continence aids/equipment.

CONTAINER 2- Shipped on MV Forum Tonga. Arrived in Suva 10th September 1999. Container sponsored by the Fiji Red Cross Society. Distributed to the NRM Tamavua Hospital. 70 commodes, 70 aluminium walking frames, 1 palette load – bed covers, 1 palette load – bed sheets, 1 palette load – surgical gowns/sheet, 12 adjustable height steel beds, 7 waterproof mattresses, 5 boxes continence aids, 10 pairs aluminium crutches, 10 shower chairs, 2 barouches, steel hospital trolleys & other miscellaneous items.

CONTAINER 3-Shipped on MV Capitaine Tasman. Arrived in Suva February 28th, 2000.Sponsored by the Hibiscus Festival Association. Contents distributed by the Fiji Red Cross Society. 50 wheelchairs, 60 walking frames, 5 cartons continence aids, 4 boxes second hand clothing, 1 lifting machine, 2 barouches, 25 computers, 16 hospital mattresses. Special thanks to Ms Fanny Tam, Leba Tikoduadua and Mr Culden Kamea in Fiji for arranging sponsorship of this container.

CONTAINER 4-Shipped on MV Capitaine Tasman. Arrived in Suva 20th of May 2000.Container sponsored and distributed by the Fiji Red Cross Society. 40 height adjustable steel hospital beds complete with head/leg boards and side rails, 15 standard non-adjustable height hospital beds, 5 barouches, 6 mattresses, assorted cartons continence aids, clothing, medical aids.

CONTAINER 5-Shipped MV Capitaine Tasman. Arrived in Suva 24th of November 2000.Container sponsored by Ministry of Health in Fiji. Distributed to NRM Tamavua Hospital.39 wheelchairs, 65 waterproof hospital mattresses, 4 hydraulic lifters, 4 walking frames, 4 commodes, 25 cartons anaesthetic equipment, dressings, catheters uridomes, drainage bags, new uniforms, continence equipment and 1 positive pressure ventilator and a special consignment for Sister Xavier SOLN in Fiji

CONTAINER 6-Shipped MV Capitaine Tasman. Arrived in Suva 5th February 2001.Sponsored by the Fiji Association of South Australia and Fiji University students in Adelaide returning to Fiji. Contents to be distributed by Sister Xavier to SOLN Nursing homes. 11 cube recliner chairs on rollers, 7 high back wheelchairs for the elderly, 6 commodes, 1 electrically operated recliner chair, 4 boxes air mattresses, and 1 walking frame. These items were included with Fiji student's personal effects returning home after completing their studies.

CONTAINER 7-Shipped MV Colonel Florida Arrived in Suva 31st July 2001. Sponsored by Shipping Services [Fiji] Limited. Levuka Hospital- 39 height adjustable hospital, 32 wheelchairs, 33 walking frames/crutches, 16 boxes [continence, surgical and medical aids, 14 monkey bars, 11 bedside cabinets, 7 hospital mattresses, 7 drip stands, 7 burn frames, 3 stainless steel hospital trolleys, 1 electric lifter, 4 boxes, 2 electric typewriters, educational aids, First aid kit.

CONTAINER 8-Shipped MV Capitaine Tasman. Arrived in Suva, 3rd November 2002.Sponsored by FASA fundraising. Destined for Home of Compassion- Suva: 25 height adjustable hospital beds 6 divan beds & headboards, 12 cartons linen/curtains, 1 Singer sewing machine, 1 typewriter, 3 bedpans, 3 wheelchairs, 3 hospital beds, 9 waterproof mattresses, 2 footstools, 6 dining chairs, 1 bedside table, 2 lounge room sofas, 2 lounge chairs, 4 over weigh tables, 4 boxes of dressings

CONTAINER 9-Shipped on MV Fua Kavenga. Arrived Suva 10th June 2003. Sponsored by Karlos Grosnick. 12 large boxes educational material for Daku Village School, 5 wheelchairs and 16 cartons medical equipment accessories-NRM for the Tamavua Hospital

CONTAINER 10-Shipped MV Capitaine Tasman. Arrived in Suva, 3rd July 2004 .Sponsored by FASA fundraising. Destined for Tamavua Hospital Suva: 25 height adjustable hospital beds, 25 mattresses 25 wheelchairs, 3 hospital beds, 9 waterproof mattresses, 12 bedside tables, 6 over weigh tables, 10 walking frames, 4 boxes of assorted medical aids

CONTAINER 11- Shipped on MV Forum Samoa. Arrived Suva 8th January 2005 – Sponsored by David Voss, Hertz Rentals. 7 battery operated electric wheelchairs with chargers, 1 walker -1X Fortress scientific-2000fs-Gopher/electric scooter for Fiji Disabled Peoples Association, 10x children's wheelchairs. 1x box of children's electronic reading aids, 1 occupational therapy reading aids with small TV and stand for Novita Children's Association. 32 manual wheelchairs. 30 walking frames. 1 lifter 127 kg, 1 remote control chair. 1x digital tread mill. 1commode chairs, walking sticks, shower chairs, 1 box of continence equipment for NRM-Tamavua Hospital

CONTAINER 12-Shipped on MV Forum Samoa. Arrived Suva 12th August 2005. Sponsored by Jocelyn Hamilton- Destined for St Giles Hospital, Suva, Contact person- David Voss, SGH Board member. 21 height adjustable beds with head/leg boards and side rails, 21 mattresses

CONTAINER 13-Shipped on MV Forum Samoa. November 14th 2005. Destined for CWM Hospital.Sponsored by Rotary Club of Suva North. Arrived Suva December 5th 2005-Destined for CWM Hospital, Tamavua & St Giles Hospital. 16 height adjustable hospital beds, 16 waterproof mattresses, 6 bedside cabinets, 9 overweigh tables, 25 walking frames, 2 lifters, 3 wheelchairs, 20 cartons continence aids, 250 brand new orderlies uniforms [male & female]

CONTAINER 14-Shipped on MV Forum Samoa 2nd December 2006. Sponsored by Colonial Health -Culden Kamea, 26 height adjustable hospital beds, 28 impermeable hospital mattresses and assorted equipment for a children's ward, destined for Tavua Hospital

CONTAINER 15-Shipped on MV Forum Samoa 2nd December 2006. Sponsored by Coral Coast Chapter of the Fiji Islands Hotel and Tourism Association. 25 height adjustable hospital beds, 28 impermeable hospital mattresses, 6 wheelchairs destined for Sigatoka Hospital.

CONTAINER 16- Shipped on Capitaine Tasman, 25th March 2007.Sponsored by Jocelyn Hamilton. 30 height adjustable hospital beds, 45 impermeable mattress, 2 bed slings, 1 ARGO lifter + 1 box of lifters excess, 5 extra large bags of clothes donation to Matailobau Village community destined for Vunidawa Hospital

CONTAINER 17-Shipped on Capitaine Tasman 15th June 2007. Sponsored by Blackwood Lions SA. 22 height adjustable hospital beds, 22 impermeable hospital mattresses, 28 folding wheelchairs for Viti Spinal Injuries Association, 58 boxes assorted medical supplies, 4 walking frames destined for Wainibokasi Hospital/Tamavua Hospital-shared container.

CONTAINER 18-- Shipped on MV Capitaine Tasman 10th June 2008. Sponsored by Bridgid Medder 20 hospital beds, heavy duty hydraulic operated posture adjustable beds, 10 impermeable hospital mattresses [as new] 22 boxes & 2 large plastic bags of medical aids/accessories, 3 electric wheel chairs 4 wheel chairs, 5 large nursing home portable medical chairs for the elderly, 3 medical cabinets, 6 boxes - for St Thomas Kindy-Lautoka, Koropita-Lautoka & Wairiki Kindy-Taveuni sent by Rosalind Jamieson.

In April 2010 – Our VASA Charity project donated the sum of A\$3500/F\$8000) to assist Viti Spinal Injuries Association of Fiji (VSIAF)-Rewa Project assisting persons with disabilities and the medically disadvantaged in urban and rural regions.

CONTAINER 19– Shipped on MV Forum Samoa 14th April 2009 .Sponsored by joint venture VASA Inc & Fiji Cultural & Social Club of South Australia Fiji Flood appeal container destined for Labasa. 60 cartons clothing, 8 height adjustable hospital beds & mattresses, 8 bedside cabinets, 3 stainless steel surgical trolleys and VSIAF Suva 16 impermeable mattresses, 2 patient lifers, 16 commodes & 4 nursing home wheelchairs.

CONTAINER 20- Shipped on MV Forum Samoa on 3rd December 2010. Sponsored by VASA and DIK-Rotary project. A 40 foot container consisting of hospital beds. mattresses, wheelchairs, commodes, walking frames, medical aids, computers, educational material, etc.

CONTAINER 21 – Shipped on Hapag Lloyd, 6TH May 2012. Flood Relief container sponsored jointly by FASA and the Fiji Social and Cultural Club of South Australia. Clothing, linen, bedding, educational aids, tinned food etc. Shipped out 6th May to Port of Lautoka. Unloaded by Raj & Patrick Kumar in Lautoka.

CONTAINER 22 – Shipped on Cap Blanche 10th May, 14 Electric hospital beds, 14 Impermeable mattresses, 24 Wheelchairs, 20 Walking frames,16 Commode, 12 Walking aids, 2 Electric Patient lifters, 3 Filing cabinets, 9 Wheelchair cushions, 78 Cartons – Medical supplies, 80 Cartons – Educational aids, 32 Cartons – Assorted Educational aids – Namaqumaqua Kindergarten, 4 Chairs, 2 Bags lifter straps, 1 Princess chair

VUNIDAWA HOSPITAL SHIPMENT





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MINISTRY OF
Health
Shaping Fiji's Health

The President
Vii Association
South Australia
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Australia

7th April, 2008

Dear Sir

On behalf of the Ministry of Health, the staffs of Vunidawa Hospital and the people of Naitasiri, I would like to convey our gratitude and respect for your great donation of **30 beds, 45 mattresses, 2 Bed Slings, 1 Argo Lifter, 1 box of Lifter accessories and the 5 bags of Clothes**. Your great benevolence was received in May, 2007. Please forgive us for the late delivery of this correspondence.

The surrounding Nursing Stations and Health Centers in the Naitasiri Subdivision will be receiving and also enjoy the use of your kind donation.

The humanitarian work of your organization has assisted the delivery of Health Services to the people of Naitasiri in so many ways.

Once again, a big **VINAKA VAKALEVI, MALEKA VALALEVI, VAKANAKANAKALEVI** from the Naitasiri Subdivision.

May the Good Almighty continue to bless your Organization in a big way for the colossal work you have bestowed to Naitasiri.

Yours Faithfully,

Dr Kaheli Bunimani
Officer in Charge
Vunidawa Hospital
Naitasiri

Donation for West hospital



Posiana Adilala tries out one of the wheelchairs donated to Tavua Hospital yesterday as Tavua Sub Divisional Medical Officer, Dr Mon Maung Maung and Colonial's managing director, Laurie Mellisop look on

By TIMOTHY
NAIVALUWAQA

FORMER Fiji residents living in Australia handed over a container-load of equipment at the weekend to the Tavua Hospital through the assistance of the Colonial Fiji Group.

Colonial's managing director, Laurie Mellisop said the donation of beds, mattresses, wheelchairs and medical equipment was initiated out of a request received from the Tavua Carnival Committee.

Mr Mellisop said at the same time, they were

approached by former residents in Australia for Colonial to pay for a container of hospital equipment to be shipped to Fiji.

Mr Mellisop said Colonial had gladly accepted to assist because of their commitment towards the local community.

He said they also wished to be part of the donation to assist families of Tavua that are currently going through a very difficult period. He said Colonial Fiji Group was always willing to assist people in need of assistance. General manager Community Health for the Western Division,

Doctor Tharid Ali said the donation would go a very long way in the provision of proper health services for the people of Tavua.

Dr Ali said the staff and patients of Tavua Hospital would be very grateful for the donation.

Dr Ali and Tavua's Sub-Divisional Medical Officer, Doctor Mon Maung Maung accepted the donations from Mr Mellisop at the hospital. Items donated to Tavua Hospital included 27 height and posture adjustable beds, 29 impermeable mattresses, seven wheelchairs and assorted medical equipment.



CLIENTS IN FIJI USING FASA CHARITY DONATED BEDS, WHEELCHAIRS AND WALKING FRAMES



**Fiji Association of South Australia –Charity Project
Adelaide SA**

16/11/2009

Bula vinaka,

RE: DONATIONS TO AGAPITO & RANADI'S HOME

On behalf of St John Vianney family & friends of Labasa I would like to thank you most sincerely for the kind donation you sent through the Viti Spinal Injury Association of Fiji.

The money was used to renovate the house and also build a toilet and bathroom. A dining room was also added to the main building. I can assure you that Agapito and Ranadi are much more comfortable now and feel very grateful for the kindness extended to them by all those who contributed.

We look forward to your ongoing support in the future and attach photographs of the completed project for your interest. Once again thank you very much.

I take this opportunity to wish you and FASA a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Selina Lee Wah (JP)

ST JOHN VIANNEY FAMILY & FRIENDS OF LABASA



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David Voss
Jocelyn Hamilton x2
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Rotary Club – Suva
Colonial Health
Coral Coast Chapter-Fiji Hotel Association
Blackwood Lions SA
FASA X2
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Past and current FASA Presidents:

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Kasalaini Soro, Asena Mualaulau, Ana Bannear, Paul & Mere
Wong & their catering team and all the FASA volunteers
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Karen Gosling (several cash donations), Jocelyn Hamilton,
Tigger Foster (several cash donations), Neil O'Connor, Bridgid
Medder, Abhay Maharaj and the many cash donors/supporters
who attended and enjoyed our fundraising " Island Nites "
held during the Adelaide 7's Rugby tournament held here from
2007 to 2011.

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CHARITY PROJECT

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THANKING YOU IN ANTICIPATION

POWERPOINT PREPARED BY: GUS RADDOK

