



**CEDE ARUBA**  
CENTRO PA DESAROYO

**IMPACT REPORT 2024**  
Empowering Communities, Transforming Lives

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# INTRODUCTION

## WHY THIS MATTERS

CEDE ARUBA is a key driver of community development and social impact in Aruba, working to foster inclusion, empowerment, and resilience. Guided by our Strategic Compass focusing on four core pillars:



### Pillar 1

Empowered  
Citizens



### Pillar 2

Community  
Wellbeing &  
Solidarity



### Pillar 3

Self sufficiency  
vulnerable groups

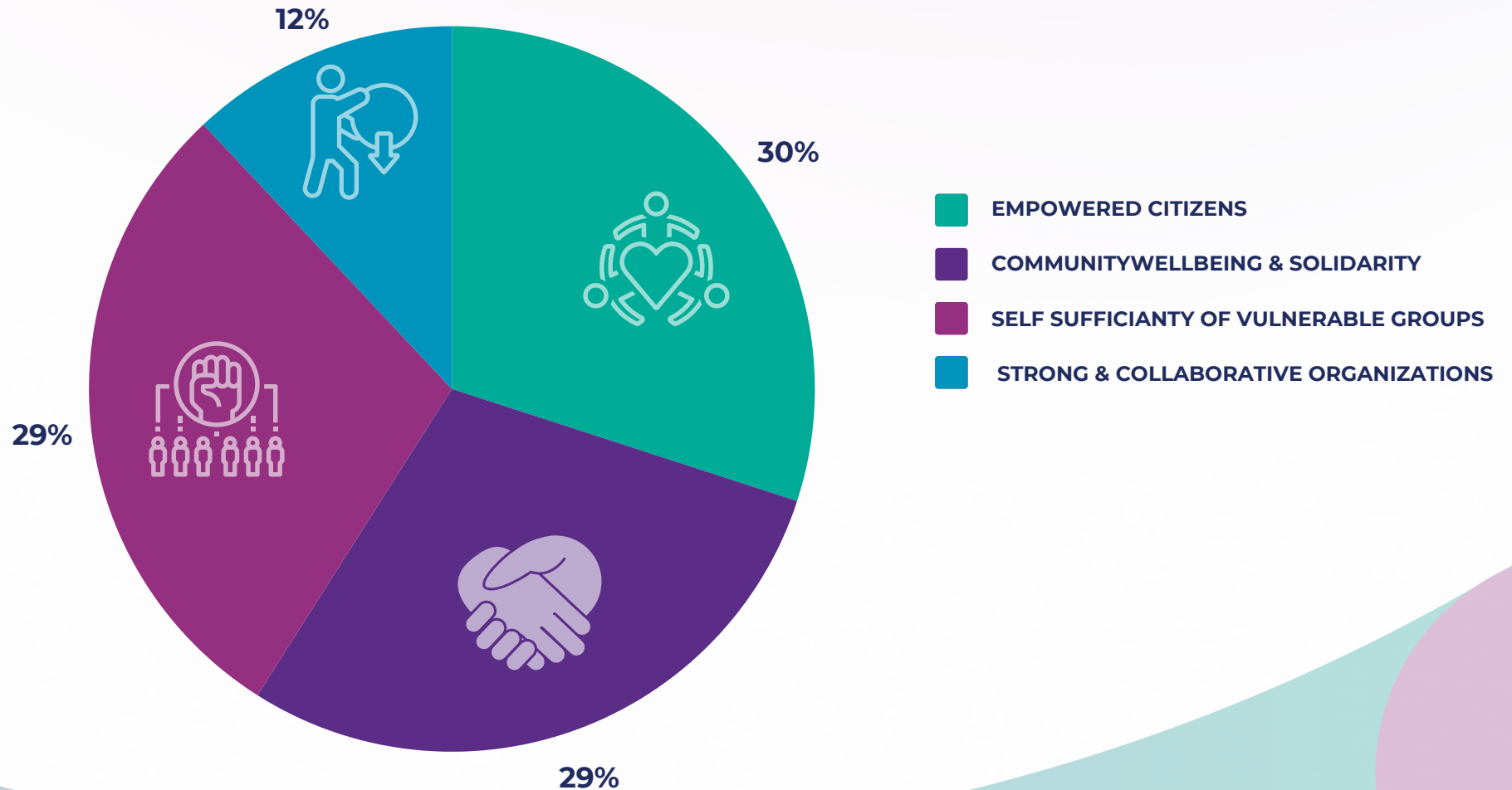


### Pillar 4

Strong & Collaborative  
Organizations

CEDE ARUBA has expanded opportunities for **vulnerable groups**, **strengthened local and international networks**, and **increased community engagement**.

# OVERALL FUNDING ALLOCATED DURING 2024: AWG. 6,145,954





# OVERALL FUNDING GROWTH: 2021 - 2024



# OVERALL FUNDING: CEDE & PARTNERS

- **88 projects** funded directly by CEDE ARUBA
- Total grant allocation: **AWG 2,511,053**
- **130 projects** funded directly **by partners**
- Total grant allocation: **AWG 3,634,901**



GOBIERNO DI ARUBA



Ministerie van Binnenlandse Zaken en Koninkrijksrelaties

**oranje  
fonds**



# PILLAR 1: EMPOWERED CITIZENS

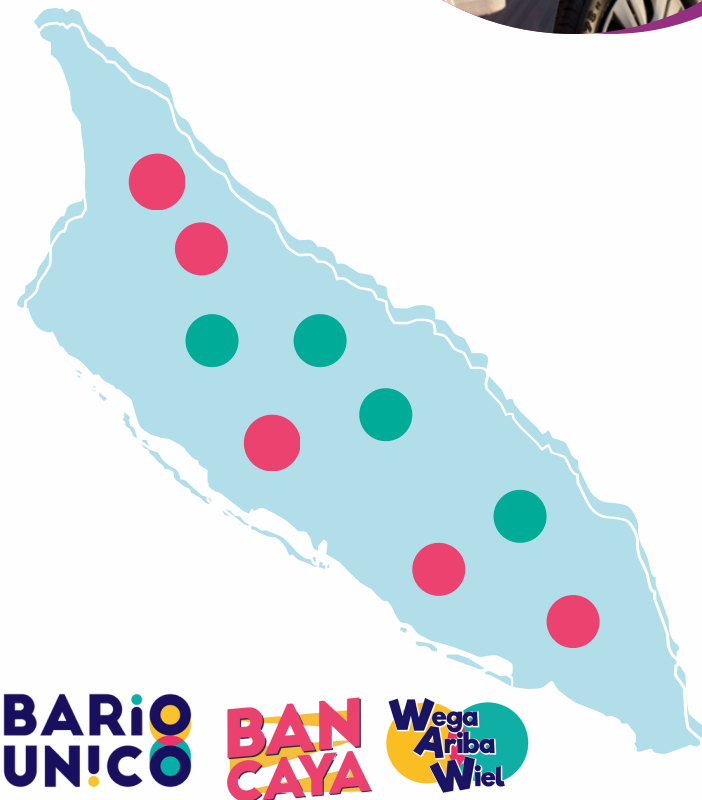
- **40 projects funded** supporting active citizenship
- **Aruba Doet:** 172 projects, 3,500 volunteers mobilized – Aruba’s largest volunteer movement
- **ArubaVolunteers:** 95 active NGOs, 600 volunteer matches
- Outreach & Awareness: 50,000+ visitors on **ArubaVolunteers.org**
- **25 Microprojects & 10 Ban Biba Bario projects** supporting grassroots efforts
- **International Engagement:** 9 youth volunteers sent abroad, 7 international youth volunteers hosted



## PILLAR 2: COMMUNITY WELLBEING & SOLIDARITY



- **89 projects funded** addressing community needs
- WAW Mobiel: Engaged **1,666 residents** across 11 neighborhoods
- Ban Caya Initiative: **3 events, 4,750 visitors** strengthening community relationships
- NGO Partnerships: **6 new activities** launched, 100 Centro di Bario initiatives supported.
- **1 neighborhood analysis** completed to develop local strategies





## PILLAR 3: SELF SUFFICIENCY OF VULNERABLE GROUPS

For many migrants and refugees in Aruba, language barriers limit access to job opportunities and social inclusion. Through CEDE ARUBA's collaboration with HIAS and Cas di Papiamento, a free language program provides essential Papiamento and English courses, empowering vulnerable individuals to integrate into society.

**“This program gave me the confidence to communicate, find work, and feel like I belong.”**

One participant shared her gratitude. Now employed, she hopes to support others facing similar challenges, proving that language is a key step toward stability and inclusion.



# PILLAR 3: SELF SUFFICIENCY OF VULNERABLE GROUPS



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PROJECTS SUPPORTING  
VULNERABLE GROUPS



2

LARGE-SCALE PROGRAMS  
SECURED:

Let's **Act**  
Strengthening  
Cultural Participation



SAMEN FAMILIES  
VERSTERKEN

oranje  
fonds

voor kinderen  
door kinderen  
KINDERPOSTZEGELS

## PILLAR 4: STRONG & COLLABORATIVE ORGANIZATIONS

Through its **Bario Unico** program, CEDE ARUBA has played a key role in reviving and strengthening community centers across the island. Many district centers faced challenges in sustainability, but with CEDE's training sessions, Centro di Bario boards and staff gained essential skills in business planning, resource management, and financial stability.

**“Having a clear plan allows us to serve our communities better and create lasting impact.”**

One participant reflected on this, noting that with stronger leadership, these centers are now better equipped to support and empower their communities.



# CAPACITY-BUILDING ACHIEVEMENTS



**NGO CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECTS**

**28**



**COACHING SESSIONS (CENTRO DI BARIO)**

**102**

**COACHING (NGO STAFF)**

**178**

**TRAINING SESSIONS**

**10 (92 ppl)**

**SOFS/SAV TRAINING PROGRAMS\***

**11 (318 ppl)**



**YOUTH WORKERS TRAINED ABROAD AND  
LOCALLY**

**90**

\*\*SOFS/SAV (Signs of Safety/Samenwerken aan Veiligheid)



# FUNDED ORGANIZATIONS

- ADOPT AN ADDICT
- AMBIENTE FELIZ
- ARUBA ONE HAPPY ISLAND LIONSCLUB
- BASHA FOUNDATION
- BECOMING
- BRINDIS MUSICAL
- BUURT- EN SPORTVERENIGING DAKOTA
- CB BRAZIL
- CB LAGO HEIGHTS
- CENTRO DI BARIO NOORD
- CENTRO DI BARIO PLAYA PABAO
- CENTRO DI BARIO SAVANETA
- CENTRO DI BARIO SANTA CRUZ
- CENTRO DI BARIO TANKI LEENDERT
- CENTRO FAMILIAR SABANA BASORA
- CLUB CAIQUETIO
- CLUB DON BOSCO
- COMICION 60+ PLAYA PABAO
- COMITE GRANDINAN ACTIVO
- CREATIVE ARTS ARUBA
- FUNDACION ARTE PRO ARTE
- FUNDACION ADRA ARUBA
- FUNDACION AMIGONAN DI ARCHIVO
- FUNDACION CENTRO FAMILIA PIEDRA PLAT
- FUNDACION CINEARUBA
- FUNDACION CONTRA VIOLENCIA RELACIONAL
- FUNDACION DOMINICANA
- FUNDACION MOVIMIENTO TA BIDA
- FUNDACION ORGUYO ARUBA
- FUNDACION PA NOS MUCHANAN
- FUNDACION SAVANETA PROME CAPITAL
- FUNDACION SINAMI PASO PA PASO
- FUNDASHON ULTIMO DESEO ARUBA
- FUNDACION PLAN DI BIDA ARUBA
- FUNDASHON UN BON HOBEN PA UN BON FAMILIA
- GO CULTURA FOUNDATION
- GRUPO CURASON JONG
- GRUPO NUCLEO 60+
- GRUPO GRANDINAN DI MAHUMA I BISINDARIO
- HEART CENTERED LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION
- HOUSE OF SKATE FOUNDATION ARUBA
- JUMP18 FOUNDATION
- KLUP DI ATLETISMO TRUPIAL
- LEAD BY DESIGN FOUNDATION
- MISSION ARUBA SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
- PEDRO RIQUEL BIKE COMISSION
- PLATAFORMA NACIONAL HERENCIA DI SCLAVITUD NA ARUBA
- PRO JUVENTUD SAVANNAH
- PURE ARUBA EVENTS FOUNDATION
- RED ARUBIANO DI PRENSA PROFESIONAL (RAPP)
- RESPETA MI
- SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
- SOUL HARMONY FOUNDATION
- STICHTING KONINGIN WILHELMINA FONDS
- STICHTING VOOR VERSTANDELIJK GEHANDICAPTEN ARUBA
- STICHTING ALGEMENE BEJAARDENZORG ARUBA
- STICHTING AMBIENTE FELIZ
- STICHTING BAN LANTA Y PLANTA
- STICHTING BETHEL
- STICHTING BUKI DI PRET
- STICHTING CRECIENDO
- STICHTING EDUCACION DIGITAL ARUBANO
- STICHTING HUNTO
- STICHTING JA IK ARUBA
- STICHTING KAWARA
- STICHTING KLEIN ARUBA
- STICHTING SCHOUWBURG ARUBA / CAS DI CULTURA
- STICHTING TRAMPOLIN PA TRABAO
- STICHTING VOOR GEHANDICAPTEN ARUBA (SVGA)
- SUNRISE CITY COCONUT COLLECTIVE ASSOCIATION (SC3)
- TUR COS TA POSIBEL
- UN MAN TA YUDA OTRO
- UPTOWN AND SUNRISE COMMUNITY CHOIR
- YWAM ARUBA

# CHALLENGES & LESSONS LEARNED

- **Reaching Vulnerable Populations** – Many people in need avoid seeking help due to stigma or legal concerns. Strengthening trusted local community organizations and networks is key.
- **Sustainability Concerns** – Many programs rely on short-term funding. Long-term funding, public-private partnerships and social entrepreneurship are critical for sustainability.

# Strategic Goals 2025

- Developing Youth Work Structure with BARIO UNICO and NGO partners
- Designing a National Community Prevention Center together with NGO partners
- Expanding NGO participation in Centro di Bario's and community spaces
- Creating a recreational area in Lago Heights Park
- Exploring long-term funding models for vulnerable groups
- Capacity Building Strategy for Aruba, Curaçao & Sint Maarten NGOs

GOALS

# GET INVOLVED!

## GIVERS:

- Volunteer – Sign up at **arubavolunteers.org**
- Between 18-30 years? **Volunteer in Europe**
- Partner with Us – Support a project or collaborate

## SEEKERS:

- **Need project funding?** Reach out to us!
- **Need volunteers?** – Sign up at [arubavolunteers.org](http://arubavolunteers.org)
- **Need other support?** Reach out to us!

For more info visit [www.cedearuba.org](http://www.cedearuba.org)

**“INVESTING IN PEOPLE AND PARTNERSHIPS TODAY  
BUILDS THE FOUNDATION FOR A STRONGER, MORE  
RESILIENT TOMORROW.”**

