



Surfkids Shredding Senegal Foundation Year Report 2025

Mission: The Surfkids Shredding Senegal Foundation supports underprivileged children in Dakar, Senegal, by providing quality opportunities in the sport of surfing. We aim to foster autonomy, academic growth, and success in sports while promoting gender equality and supporting the local surf community.

Vision: Our vision is to create a positive impact on the lives of children in Dakar

By offering them the tools and resources they need to thrive, we envision a future where every child has access to education, sports, and opportunities that empower them to achieve their full potential. Through our efforts, we aim to inspire a generation of surfers, leaders, and role models who will contribute to the growth and development of their communities.

Financial Overview: As (requested) an ANBI-compliant foundation, Surfkids Shredding Senegal Foundation adheres to the financial requirements set by the Dutch tax authorities. We maintain transparency and accountability in our financial operations, ensuring that resources are used efficiently and effectively to achieve our mission and goals. A separate financial report of 2025 will be provided.

Key Achievements and Activities in 2025:

1. Education:
 - 25 children supported with school fees and additional educational assistance (maths, french, english).
 - Ensured that all children in our program had access to a quality education, providing them with the opportunity to enhance their academic skills and knowledge.
 - Provide transportation to the schools and make sure that the children can have meals
2. Surf Coaching, Equipment Provision, and Repair
 - Provided professional surf coaching to the most talented children in our program, enhancing their skills, technique, and overall performance.
 - Ensured children in our program had access to surfboards and necessary equipment like wetsuits, with a focus on repairing and maintaining the gear for sustained usability.
 - We provide special focus training on safety risks and medical assistance
3. International Surf Competitions:
 - 3 children, including 1 female surfer, represented our foundation in international surf competitions.
 - Supported their participation by covering competition fees, travel expenses, and accommodations, enabling them to gain valuable experience and showcase their talent on a global stage.
 - We ensured that all the children have a valid ID card and passport to travel when they are selected.
4. Male and female Africa Surf Champion:



- We are proud to announce that Ismaila Samba (m) and Denguene Thioune (f), two of our supported children, achieved remarkable success by becoming the Africa Surf Champions.
 - This achievement highlights the impact of our training programs and coaching support in nurturing young talent and providing them with the opportunity to excel in the sport.
5. Weekly Open Surf Lessons:
- Conducted weekly open surf lessons for children in Yoff, providing a safe and inclusive environment for them to learn and enjoy surfing.
 - These lessons promoted physical activity, water safety, and surf skills, fostering a sense of community among the participants.
6. Donation Partnerships:
- Established strong donation partnerships with companies like Wallien and De Bonte Koe.
 - These partnerships have provided valuable financial support to our foundation, enabling us to sustain and expand our programs for the benefit of underprivileged children.
7. Foundation Partnerships:
- Formed partnerships with organisations such as Provide the Slide.
 - These collaborations have allowed us to exchange knowledge, resources, and expertise, further enhancing our ability to support children in need.
8. Employment Opportunities:
- Assisted Surfkids Shredding Senegal participants who reached the age of 18 in finding employment.
 - By connecting them with local surf schools, cafes, and restaurants at surf spots, we helped create income-generating opportunities, promoting self-sufficiency and a sense of purpose among these young individuals so that they can also support their families and continue to love what they do: surfing.

These activities and achievements highlight our commitment to not only provide educational and sporting opportunities but also establish sustainable partnerships and empower participants as they transition into adulthood. By fostering connections with companies, foundations, and local organisations, we aim to secure long-term support and create a pathway to self-reliance for our beneficiaries.

Goals for 2026:

1. Education: Ensure that all children in the program receive sufficient school results to progress to the next level of their education, promoting their academic growth and providing a solid foundation for their future.
2. Safety and First Aid Training: Implement safety and first aid training programs for the children, equipping them with essential skills and knowledge to ensure their well-being and response in emergency situations.
3. Expansion: Increase the reach of the Surfkids Shredding Senegal Foundation by welcoming an inflow of 10 new children into the program, extending our support to a wider group of underprivileged youth.



4. Job Placement and Sustainability: Focus on facilitating job opportunities in the surfing or tourism industry for children who graduate from the program. By connecting them with relevant employment options, we aim to support their self-sufficiency and contribute to the economic well-being of their families.
5. Partnership Development: Establish new partnerships with companies and organizations to secure material donations for the program. By fostering collaborations, we can enhance our resources and ensure the sustained provision of equipment and materials needed for surfing and education.
6. International Competitions: Support and train three talented children to compete in international surf competitions, providing them with opportunities to showcase their skills, gain exposure, and further develop their sporting abilities.
7. Girls are UP! Program: If funding permits, launch the Girls are UP! program, aiming to encourage more girls to participate in surfing. The program will include swimming lessons and coaching, empowering young girls to embrace the sport and fostering their confidence and skills.

We are grateful for the ongoing support of our partners and the dedication of our team and volunteers in making these accomplishments possible. Together, we are working towards a brighter future for the children we serve, empowering them to overcome barriers, pursue their dreams, and contribute positively to society.

Once again, we extend our sincere appreciation to everyone involved in the Surfkids Shredding Senegal Foundation for their continued support and belief in our mission.

Sincerely,

Schiedam, 1/3/2025

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