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Introduction

2015 marks the 45th year that the Windward Islands People's Movement has been continuously serving the island and people of Saba. For almost half a century the W.I.P.M. Party has been presenting qualified candidates to provide sound, stable and responsible government for the people of Saba. This year is no different.

On March the 18th 2015 the people of Saba will be called to the polls once again to elect a team of candidates to run the local island government. This party program outlines the issues of this election and highlights the priorities of the W.I.P.M. party for the governing period of 2015 - 2019.

To begin the program we start with an introduction of the nine candidates of the W.I.P.M. party contesting this election. The candidates on the W.I.P.M. Party represent a broad spectrum of the population of the island, and come from various backgrounds representing many different sectors of Saba's society. It is very important for voters to remember that it takes a collection of individuals to run a government. Based on the dualistic system of government, the party that wins the election will need between five to seven qualified members to hold political office. This is because the party with the majority will have to fill at least three, but up to five members of the Island Council, and then appoint the two commissioners of the island. Because of this it is of absolute importance that voters not only base their decision on the individuals running, but on the parties as an entire group that will have to run the government of Saba for a four year period.

After the introduction of candidates the party program focuses on the issues at hand for this election and upcoming plans and projects for Saba. Issues of extreme importance for Saba, such as the upcoming Evaluation of 2015 and the potential long term effects of it are discussed at length in the following sections. Projects that will have significant impact on both society and the economy of Saba are also included in this program. Crucial projects, such as developments in the energy sector, recycling, the airport renovation, the Harbor and the school improvement project are all presented in depth. All of these projects are of utmost importance to the continued advancement of our island.

The WIPM party program continues with sections discussing other important issues for the upcoming term. Sections about social levels, education, health care and tourism are all included in this program and are all issues of high importance for the incoming government. A key topic discussed in this area of the program is the issue of financial management and the relevance it has to the proper functioning of government.

In the conclusion of the W.I.P.M. party program we will leave you with our thoughts on the importance of this election, the strength of the W.I.P.M. party in both our candidate quality and our planning for the upcoming term, and our overall conclusions. If you have any question or comments please feel free to contact us at wipmparty@gmail.com, or engage any of our candidates throughout the campaign.

We thank you for taking the time to read our 2015 - 2019 W.I.P.M. party program. Please read our party principles on the last page and enjoy our attachment "What has your W.I.P.M government done for you?" We look forward to meeting with you during the campaign and remember your vote will play a big part in shaping Saba's future. On March 18th 2015, do the right thing for your island and all of its people, vote intelligently, vote responsibly and VOTE W.I.P.M.

Introduction of Candidates

As we stated in the introduction to this term's party program, during an Island Council election it is very important to look at the participating lists as collections of candidates. Due to the structure of government in the dualistic system that we have here on Saba, commissioners can no longer be members of the Island Council. This means that a party needs between five to seven qualified candidates at a minimum to run the island government. There should also be flexibility within a political party in the event that a member needs to vacate or leave his or her seat at any time during the term. In this case the seat on the council will go to the next listed candidate on the list. It is important for you to know that only persons who have participated in the election can take a seat on the Island Council. This means that a party has to show you the quality of their candidates on their list directly. No party can tell you that they will look for qualified members of the Island Council after the election.

Throughout the history of Island Council elections on Saba, in most cases the highest two vote getters on the winning party take up the posts of commissioners. In almost every case, if the two commissioners were not the two leading vote getters, the commissioners were candidates on the list. This means that the next three to five members of the list will hold posts as Island Council members. Both positions are extremely important to the running of a sound, stable and responsible government. The commissioners are charged with the operational running of government, and the Island Council members are charged with the ratification of island ordinances, and especially the responsible body for the entire island government budget. This means that candidates who fall in the order of 3rd, 4th and 5th in position on the list after the two highest vote getters will be in charge and in control of Saba's over **10 million dollar island budget**. This is something to keep in very close consideration when deciding the party that you as a voter will be supporting during this election. We encourage you to take a close look at both parties and see for yourself who will be holding the positions of commissioners and who will be in the island council and in control of Saba's budget for the next four years.

It is very important for people to also realize that the voting law changed after 10-10-10. The order on the list now takes precedence over the number of votes a candidate receives. The only way someone can move up the list is to get at least half of the votes needed for a seat plus one additional vote. This means that if a seat is set at 180 votes, which is close to the amount of the last election, the number of votes for a candidate to move up the list would be 91. Any amount of votes lower than that means that the position for membership in the Island Council goes by the number on the list.



The Candidates

The W.I.P.M. Party is proud to be coming to you with a list of nine candidates to contest this election and provide a well based foundation for government for this upcoming governing term of 2015 – 2019. We have candidates from various backgrounds who represent Saba's diversity and society at the highest level. Included in the group the W.I.P.M. party has members with various levels of education, inclusive of four college graduates. Many members of the party hold current political office and have impressive political resumes, while many have some of the highest positions in the non-governmental sectors on the island. The party members come from different professional backgrounds as well, including both the private and public sectors. Culturally the W.I.P.M. members are a very diverse group, coming from many different backgrounds, and represent the makeup of Saba's population in a very proportional way. However, with all the diversity on the W.I.P.M. Party, all of our members have two very important things in common: All are dedicated to the island of Saba, and all of our candidates are ready, willing and capable to serve you the people of Saba.

The W.I.P.M. Party Candidates of the March 18th 2015 Island Council Elections:

Rolando Ricardo Wilson

Known to everyone as "Rolly", started out his education here on Saba at the Sacred Heart School and continued in Aruba where he got his degree for Bouwkunde (Architecture). After that he worked with FCCA (the housing foundation) on Aruba. He returned home and was employed by the Saba Government, starting in 1984 at the Planning Bureau and then moving on to the Housing Foundation. It is still, and will always be, his ambition to help and assist wherever needed. He was taught by his grandparents from a very young age. They were hard workers and ensured that he followed in their footsteps. Rolly's late grandfather Mr. Samuel Wilson was a former Island Council Member and his late grandmother Mrs. Millicent Loraine was a true activist who also did her best for the people of Saba. Rolly was elected in 2003 and served in the island council until 2007. He also served from 2007-2011 and 2011-present. Together with the help of the Dutch and the local government he was able to assist many people in getting housing, in upgrading the infrastructure, the youth centers and other livability projects. In Rolly's own words: "I believe in working hard and I will continue to do my best with the help of God for my fellowmen."



Rolly's philosophy is based on the following message:

"The great thing in this world is not so much where you stand, as in what direction you are moving."

- **Director Own Your Own Home Foundation**
- **Lion's Club Member**
- **Island Council Member 2003 – present**
- **Chairman of the Central Committee of the Island Council**

The Candidates



Christopher Stephen Brown Johnson

Chris was born and raised here on Saba, in the village of St. John's at the former hospital. While growing up on Saba Chris attended Sacred Heart School in the Bottom, Windwardside and St John's. He says his love for nature started as a child when he was an avid camper, hiker, boater, fisherman and diver. Chris attended the Saba Comprehensive School as well, until the age of fifteen when he left to the U.S. for his studies. He attended the Gunnery, a prep-boarding high school in the New England state of Connecticut, where he graduated as one of the top five students of the school and also won the science award for his work in college level physics. Chris then attended the University of Florida, in Gainesville, where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Science. After returning to Saba he started out in the restaurant

business running Rumors (Guidos) for two years and then Saba's Treasure with his wife Marvi for four and a half years. He also worked as an AFISO in the airport tower. Chris entered politics in 2006 with then incumbent senator Ray Hassell on the WIPM list. He then ran together with many of his current colleagues in 2007 and became commissioner and Island Council member. He ran again in 2011 and was re-elected to the Island Council, and then gave up his seat to become commissioner in the current dualistic system. Chris says his motto this year reflects his feelings about who government should serve and who your elected officials should be fighting for.

His slogan is simply:
"Representation for All."

Chris says that he is proudest of being the father of three young children who inspire him every day of his life.

- **Alumnus Gunnery High School**
- **Alumnus University of Florida**
- **Former Entrepreneur**
- **Island Council Member 2007- 2011, re-elected 2011**
- **Commissioner 2007- present**

Bruce Zagers

Bruce was born and raised on the island of Saba and lives in the village of Zions Hill. He attended both primary and secondary school on the island and graduated valedictorian from the Saba Comprehensive School in 1998. At the age of 17, Bruce enrolled in Flagler College and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting in 2003. As soon as he returned to Saba he started working in the Finance Department where he held the positions of Internal Controller, Budgetary Controller and Systems Administrator. In 2005 he transferred to the Harbor where he became Harbor Master, and maintained his functions from the Finance Department. Also in 2005, he married Tracy and they now have two children. In 2007 he entered the political field and was elected as Commissioner and Island Council member. He ran again in 2011 and was elected as an Island Council member but gave up his seat to become a Commissioner for a second term. For the past 8 years Bruce has held the Finance portfolio and has been able to achieve tremendous milestones in Financial Management. To this date, Saba is the only island in the history of the Dutch Caribbean to ever receive a positive audit statement from an Independent Auditor for the Island Government Financial reports. This milestone was achieved for the years 2012 and 2013. Bruce credits these achievements to being cooperative and transparent with both the CFT and the auditor and also having a very strong financial team. His slogan for the upcoming election is the same as it was in 2011, "Dedicated to Serving You". Bruce says that his dedication to the job and to serving Saba and her people is as strong as it has ever been. He looks forward to serving Saba for another term.



- **Valedictorian Saba Comprehensive School**
- **Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from Flagler College**
- **Island Council Member 2007-2011, re-elected 2011**
- **Commissioner 2007 until present**

The Candidates



Carl Buncamper

Carl was born on the island of St. Maarten where he attended the HAVO followed by the VWO after which he attended university in the United States of America. In 1990 Carl earned his Associate and Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from the University of Johnson and Whales. Carl continued the learning process and managed to participate in a number of correspondence courses via Microsoft and finally sat exams on St. Maarten to a certification in a "Master's in Project Management" through Microsoft. He continues to offer his various capacities to several organizations both locally and regionally. Since moving to Saba in the early 90s Carl has worked in the private sector and together with his then partner, now spouse, opened his

own restaurant business. After six successful years of operation, the business was sold and Carl moved on to the Sociale Vormingsplicht, which is now known as the Kanstrajectjongeren (SKJ) or the Youth Opportunity Program. In 2007 Carl contested the local Island Council election and won a seat in the Island Council. Carl is presently serving his second term in the Island Council and remains committed and focused on the areas that are influenced and challenged by the dynamics surrounding human rights. Carl has also been very active in volunteering his time on behalf of a number of organizations and/or causes, namely with a focus in the areas related to the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases including HIV, gender empowerment, social issues, conservation & environmental issues. Carl will be running in the upcoming Island Council election on March 18th 2015 and offers you the voter the opportunity to re-elect an individual that will continue to offer the community of Saba stable and progressive leadership.

- **VWO graduate**
- **Bachelor's Degree in Business Management University of Johnson and Whales**
- **Community activist in numerous organizations**
- **Former Entrepreneur of YllK restaurant**
- **Island Council Member/Vice Chairman of the Central Committee 2007- present**

Eviton Heyliger

Eviton was born here on the island of Saba. His mother Mrs. Tiny Heyliger-Toppin was a business woman and his father Mr. Stevanis Heyliger a mailman. Eviton attended the Sacred Heart School here on Saba and after completing grade six moved to St. Vincent and the Grenadines where he attended North Union Secondary School. Upon his completion of high school he decided he would come back to Saba and assist his parents in the family run businesses. In 1996 Eviton decided to venture into his own business and opened a Pizza delivery which he named Tiny's Pizza Delivery. In 2006 seeing his passion for construction he decided to enter the construction field. He now owns his own construction business which goes by his calypso stage name Evy-D Construction. Eviton was also a member of the Supervisory board of Satel.

Eviton works at the Saba University School of Medicine at the Medical Library as a Library Assistant. He has held this job for the last 13 years. After being approached on numerous occasions to run with the W.I.P.M. party he decided to enter the field of politics. This is Eviton's first term as a Member of the Island Council of Saba and he is running to be re-elected. He stands tall in this community, a man the island can be proud of. Give him a fair chance.



- **Graduate North Union Secondary School**
- **Medical School Library Assistant**
- **Entrepreneur with several businesses**
- **Island Council Member 2011- present**

The Candidates



Vito Charles

Vito was born on the island of St Kitts and raised as a boy here on Saba by Mrs Elka Charles-Simmons. He is the great grandson of the late Mrs Rebecca Levenstone-Jones. Vito's mother is from Anguilla and his paternal grandfather hailed from Dominica, making Vito a candidate who represents a very diverse West Indian heritage. Vito grew up on Saba as a young boy and at a very young age he took an interest in political affairs watching the news and as an avid reader always reading the Chronicle and the Guardian. At the age of 14 the family relocated to St. Maarten where he attended the St. Maarten academy and was active in the Youth Wing of the Democratic Party over there. He was able to meet and discuss with various political leaders about issues affecting the islands. At the same time he represented St.

Maarten in the First Antillean Youth parliament, where he was appointed a Minister. He was also a member of the Teen Times newspaper. After graduating from the St. Maarten academy, (at his graduation he was voted by his principal as the person most likely to become a politician). He then went to College in Miami and studied Aviation, but due to the difficulties in finding a job he returned to Saba in 2006. Vito has served in a number of functions volunteering his time on many Foundations on the island. His present position is Government information and protocol officer for the Island of Saba. When you talk one on one with Vito you will see a man well prepared to hold political office. If the WIPM party gets Four seats Vito will be one of your Members of the Island Council. So take a good look at Vito and **VOTE VITO**.

- **Former AFISO**
- **GIS and Protocol officer**
- **Graduate St Maarten Academy**
- **Attended Embrey-Riddle University**
- **Board member for SKJ and Saba Heritage Foundation**

Paula Mayer-Childs

Paula was born in the Country of St. Vincent and the Grenadines on the 18th of September 1967. While growing up there she received her primary education at St Mary's Roman Catholic. For her secondary education she attended St. Joseph's Convent. On the 12th of January, 1991, Paula arrived on Saba, making it just over twenty four years that Paula has been a resident of Saba. Paula says that when she first came to Saba she was impressed by the beauty of the island. She says that throughout all the years she has lived here she still takes the time to appreciate the beauty. During the past 10 years Paula has been very active in the community through her membership of the Saba Lions Club. For 4 years she was a director and now holds the distinguished position as President of the Saba Lions Club. For her daily employment Paula works with the youth at the Laura Linzey Day Care Center. She has also worked at many businesses throughout the island over the years in the food service business. Paula says that her campaign is focused on helping the youth of Saba, the elderly and placing a focus on women's rights. Paula refers to herself as an adopted citizen of Saba, and says that she is ready, willing and capable to help the island where needed.



Paula's slogan is:

"Part of the Solution, not Part of the Problem"

- **24 year resident of Saba**
- **Graduate St Joseph's Convent Secondary School**
- **Youth Worker Laura Linzey Day Care Center**
- **Saba Lions Club President**

The Candidates



Sundiata Lake

Sundiata is your #8 candidate on the W.I.P.M. slate in Saba's Island Council election of March 18, 2015. Sundiata was born in St. Maarten, where he attended the MAC primary school and the St. Maarten Academy high school. In 2000, he obtained his Bachelor's degree in Graphic Design from Miami International University of Arts & Design. Sundiata Lake has worked in St. Maarten, the USA, United Kingdom, and The Netherlands for companies such as IBM, British Telecommunications, SITEL, and New Ways – providing graphic design, web development, administration, technical support and photography, and computer technology consulting. In St. Maarten, Sundiata has produced highly creative and competitive book, web, and tourism magazine cover designs for House of Nehesi Publishers, the Government

Information Service (GIS), St. Maarten Tourist Bureau, Today Newspaper, Windward Islands Graphics, Little Miss St. Martin Pageant, and St. Maarten Chamber of Commerce & Industry among other companies. In 2013, Sundiata founded Nimojin.com with his wife, Ann. He designed, developed, and manages the online company. The main purpose for Nimojin is to provide Eco-friendly fashion. Sundiata Lake, teaches Computer Science at the Sacred Heart Primary School in Saba where he has been preparing our children since October 2014 to master Computer Science. Sundiata Lake has been visiting Saba with his brothers and sister since he was a child, and lived with his uncle Jimmy Rogers. The people, families, and land of the "Unspoiled Queen" has always been close to Sundiata. His grandmother, Marion Maxwell, is Saba-born. His St. Maarten father, Joseph H. Lake, Jr., and his grandfather, José Lake, Sr. – a great friend of Will Johnson – have always embraced, written about, and defended Saba and her people in their newspapers as a sister nation of St. Maarten.

- Graduate St Maarten Academy
- Graduate Miami International University of Arts & Design
- Designer, Developer and Manager of Nimoijn.com
- Computer Science Teacher Sacred Heart School

Shamara Amelia Nicholson-Linzey

Shamara was born and raised in Curacao. She did her studies at Lauffer Mavo and UDC in Curacao. She also took a leadership course, managerial course, hospitality course and achieved her AAT Accounting Diploma in St. Maarten. She was a business entrepreneur for Sol, The Voice of Saba Radio and cable TV. Then she ran in the 2003 elections on the W.I.P.M. Party and became Secretary of State from the 3rd of June 2004 until the 10th of Oct 2010. During her tenure as Secretary of State she was Vice President of CFATF (Caribbean Financial Action Task Force, better known as the world organization for Anti Money Laundering) representing the Netherlands Antilles. Amelia is presently an Island Council member for the W.I.P.M. Party and proud to hold this position to work for you the people. Amelia is quoted as saying “When you shout, the W.I.P.M. party is here to answer”. Amelia’s motto this year outlines her feeling about what both she and the W.I.P.M. party represent.



Her motto is:

“For Progress and Stability”.

- **State Secretary 2004 until 2010 in the Netherlands Antilles**
- **Vice President CFATF**
- **Local Entrepreneur**

Constitutional Evaluation 2015

As most Sabans know by now, 2015 will be an evaluation year for the three islands of the BES, including Bonaire, St Eustatius and Saba. It was agreed before 10-10-10, that after 5 years of the new status, a general evaluation would take place. This general evaluation will consist of three separate themes or categories. These are about, firstly, the laws that have been put into place for the islands, and how these affect the island in a variety of ways. Secondly, the evaluation will analyze the form of government of all three islands and the difference between the tasks of the island government and the tasks of the Dutch central government. And then, thirdly, the effect of the new status on the people on the islands, including the level of provisions and what the new status has meant in real terms.

The body charged with carrying out the evaluation, referred to as the Evaluation Committee, consists of some of the highest level former politicians, ministers, state secretaries, governors, constitutional professors and lawyers in the entire Kingdom. This body has stated that they will begin their work in April, immediately after the Island Council elections of the islands, so that they will know which governments they will be working with during this very important event. This means that the incoming government, which is sworn in ten days after the election, will have to get to work at the highest level of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in less than one week from the day the members take office.

During the past four years since 10-10-10 members of the W.I.P.M. government and members of the community of Saba have voiced their opinions about the new status time and time again to all levels of the Dutch Government. Throughout this period almost all of those members of the Dutch government at all levels have referred to the evaluation of 2015 as the time to really see where the system has problems and where adjustments have to be made. This means that during 2015, almost immediately after the island council elections of March 18th, the new incoming government will have to be fully prepared and able to highlight the problems we face as an island. The new government will have to engage all levels of the Dutch government to make it very clear what are all the problem areas we face that are holding back our social economic development.

After the evaluation committee of 2015 finishes their research and publishes their report in October 2015, the focus will shift to the results of the report. Based on these results the incoming government will have to negotiate all of the outstanding problem areas faced by the people of Saba. These negotiations will not only be limited to members of the executive councils, but incoming members of the island council will also need to engage Dutch politicians at the highest levels to bring over the concerns and needs of Saba and its people.

It can be clearly said that the issues that will have to be dealt with during the upcoming term will have a lasting effect on Saba, its economy and society, for years and years to come. Any notion that the incoming government will be able to "try and fail" would have a devastating result for this island, its government structure and operation, and overall development of society. The incoming government will have to be a qualified, experienced and knowledgeable team on all levels to take part in the evaluation and be able to lead a series of negotiations on behalf of the people of Saba.

As a registered voter on Saba it is always a good idea to see if the political parties taking part in the elections are aware of the most important issues and topics to be dealt with in the upcoming term. It is a good idea to look at both party programs and see the emphasis placed by both parties on these important issues. The W.I.P.M. party has placed the issue of the evaluation as the first section of the party program for this upcoming term because it will be the most pressing issue of this year, and the results will have a long term and far reaching effect on the island.

Infrastructure

For years the Island Government struggled to maintain buildings and roads because of a lack of funding. This created a major back log of maintenance which was visible from one end of the island to the next. Government owned buildings were getting into a deplorable state and many of the roads were becoming littered with pot holes. Through the lobbying abilities of the W.I.P.M. Government, and with responsible financial decisions, progress in improving and clearing these backlogs would eventually take shape and would be realized.

Improving the island infrastructure has been a priority of the W.I.P.M. Government and will continue being a priority for the next governing period. Projects have been executed from the airport to the Fort Bay Harbor. These projects have improved safety and the overall image of the island. This has led to improved facilities in the different villages and has provided a constant source of employment opportunities and work for contractors both big and small.

Almost every government owned building has been repaired and in most cases completely renovated. Not only have the buildings received attention but so has the road infrastructure. With the exception of the Fort Bay Road, all others which needed attention have either been extensively repaired or they have been completely repaved. Some of these repaving projects are ongoing in the villages of the Bottom, St. Johns and Windwardside (English Quarter).

A project to repave the Fort Bay Road is also in the pipeline and will be executed this year!

During the past two governing terms, the W.I.P.M. Government has been able to execute many projects through special grants. Areas such as the Harbor have received much attention. New modern buildings to accommodate government departments as well as Dive Shop operators, fishermen and the water plants have been built. Additional dock space has been created. The container storage area as well as parking facilities within the harbor have been expanded. Three large cisterns were also constructed to expand the island's water storage capacity.




In the area of social housing, thirteen housing blocks were built in the Bottom. This eliminated a significant backlog for persons in dire need of affordable yet safe housing. Existing social housing continues to be repaired and remodeled where necessary.

Major upgrades and investments were also made in venues which are being utilized by the community, especially by the youth. The Carmen Simmons Cultural Complex was built and now houses the Wilhelmina Library. In that same area, the largest Johan Cruijff Court was completed and the surrounding infrastructure was improved. The buildings at Juliana's Sports Field received major renovations and all the community centers on the island have either been completely renovated or are in the process of being renovated.

Development Plan 2015-2020

For almost 2 years the Executive Council has been busy preparing a documented vision for the island for the coming 5 years. To be able to introduce improvements to all policy areas, it was necessary to have a comprehensive vision, which is now highlighted in a development plan. On Tuesday, January 20th, 2015, the Executive Council officially presented Minister Plasterk with the Development Plan for the years 2015-2020. Since then, this plan has been made public. The Development Plan provides a plan of approach for the W.I.P.M. Government to introduce improvements in all policy areas. The plan goes into great detail describing projects which fall under infrastructure, utilities, the environment, the economy, social affairs and governance. The following are some of the areas which are highlighted in the development plan:

Infrastructure

- **Airport:** There is a master plan for the airport which will be executed this year. This project is aimed at improving the infrastructure and facilities while also addressing security and safety issues. The runway will be resurfaced and lights will be installed which will allow for night flights if necessary. A section of the hill adjacent to the runway will also be removed allowing for a safer approach when landing. The building will be remodeled and the fire station will eventually be moved allowing for more possibilities in the current facility.
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- A photograph of the airport terminal building, which is a two-story structure with a green roof and white walls. A red fire truck is parked in front of the terminal. In the background, there is a large, dark, conical hill under a blue sky with white clouds.
- **Harbor:** Clearing the backlog of maintenance for the Harbor is highlighted as a major priority for the W.I.P.M. Government. Dredging the basin of both piers and reinforcing the breakwaters are listed as priorities. Improving maritime safety from both the seaside and on land is also outlined in the development plan. The W.I.P.M. Government will also start the process of investigating the possibility for a new pier which will allow for the separation of traffic. Separating commercial traffic from touristic/fishing activities is important especially for improving our tourism product. A realistic plan will be made during this upcoming governing term!
 - **Roads and general infrastructure:** The development plan goes into great detail describing the situation with the island infrastructure. As mentioned previously, maintenance and improvements on roads and walls will continue throughout the island. Major projects such as the resurfacing of the Fort Bay road should start this year. Included in this project is the installing of fuel pipes to the new electricity plant and water pipes up to The Bottom. Safety walls will all be completely repaired and the safety fencing will also be replaced. The Windwardside Revival Project will also be completed this year. This project includes building a parking lot for approximately 60 cars and a grey water cistern which will hold over 100,000 gallons of water. This project will ease traffic congestion and will allow for a safe traffic flow.

Utilities

- Water:** Improving water quantity and quality is a major highlight in the Development Plan. Funding has been allocated to help improve both priority areas. Investments will be made in cisterns (cistern by Windwardside parking lot and increasing capacity of cistern by new school in St. Johns) to increase the holding capacity. Potable water will also be pumped from the reverse osmosis plants at the harbor to the cistern in The Range. This is being done, not only to increase storage possibilities for potable water, but will also mean lower trucking prices for consumers. There is an ongoing study which is testing various water filtration devices which will be placed in each household. This is being done to improve the water quality but will also reduce the need for purchasing bottled water. This is not only good for the environment but also good for your wallet. A pilot project is expected to start this year!
- Energy:** Since January 2014, Saba has its own company which is responsible for the energy supply of the island. Much is being invested in our Saba Electric Company to ensure that it will be successful and profitable. Already, almost all high tension cables have been put underground and the construction of a new facility with a state of the art power plant is well underway. This new power plant will be outfitted with two new generators which will burn less fuel than the ones we have in the old power plant. Major investments will also be made into solar energy starting this year! These investments will reduce our reliance on fossil fuels allowing the company to reduce its expenses. All of this is being done to ensure that electricity is available for everyone at an affordable price!



Environment

- Recycling:** The W.I.P.M. Government has dedicated many years and resources to improving waste management on the island. The landfill, better known as "the dump", has been a major concern for many residents for the past decades. After much effort, the W.I.P.M. Government is proud to launch its recycling project. This project will forever change the way we process our garbage and the way we perceive "the dump". Saba's waste management system will be on a par with some of the most sophisticated recycling plants in our region. This project is not only good for the environment but good for the overall wellbeing of our people.



Development Plan 2015-2020

Economy

- **Economic Development/Taxation:** The state of the economy is of utmost importance to the W.I.P.M. Government. A thriving economy will allow our island to become more self-sufficient and less dependent on contributions from the Netherlands. In order for our economy to grow three main issues need to be addressed. Firstly, the tax structure needs to be restructured and the overall tax burden reduced. Secondly, the gap between the high cost of living and the low wages need to be bridged. And lastly, a more attractive structure is needed to support and attract new businesses to establish themselves on Saba. These issues will be thoroughly examined during the evaluation. We need a tax structure that is suitable, just and fair.

The W.I.P.M. Government is also of the opinion that the structure of the tax department should be examined. By restructuring its current large organization (92 fulltime employees), the tax system could be set up more efficiently. That would lead to a lower tax burden for the island, while net revenues will remain the same for the Netherlands. Your W.I.P.M. Government will also seek to have the customs department restructured, limited, or even completely removed from Saba. This will open up the opportunity to hire locals to collect ABB, significantly reducing costs and aiding employment.

- **Tourism:** Tourism is one of the two main economic driving forces on the island. Over the years government has drastically increased funding for promotion and will continue to further invest in this initiative when it is financially possible. The W.I.P.M. Government also established the Saba Tourism Committee which is represented by members from the private tourism sector and is supported by the Tourist Bureau. This committee has been very active in providing proposals and advice on the marketing of our tourism product.

In order to improve our existing tourism product, investments will be made to enhance our hiking trails and create new ones to diversify this sector. Improving moorings, protecting our shorelines and looking into the possibility of creating more dive sites (specifically a ship wreck) will be a priority.

- **SUSOM:** The Saba University School of Medicine is the main driving force of our economy. The W.I.P.M. Government will continue working together with SUSOM to allow for the continued growth of enrolled students on the island. The growth of the student population must harmonize with the small size of our island.
- **Loan Systems:** Since 10-10-10 it has become very difficult, and for most impossible, to obtain a loan to start or expand a business. This applies also for those who would wish to build or purchase a home. Even when a loan has been granted the interest rates are absurdly high. Together with the relevant Dutch ministries and the banks a guarantee system needs to be functional so that red tape can be reduced which will allow for lower interests rates.
- **Nature Projects:** Several projects have been submitted and even approved to enhance aspects of our nature. Projects such as the goat buyback program, the tent bay reef protection project, and projects to improve our trails are underway or in the process of starting.
- **Agriculture/Fisheries:** Your W.I.P.M. Government will also continue seeking funding to start an agriculture project on a large scale through the nature funds. This agriculture project will create employment opportunities and reduce our reliance on imports. We will also continue to further explore the possibilities to develop our fishing industry in a sustainable manner. Protecting the rights and wellbeing of our local fishermen will be a priority.

Social Affairs

- **Education:** Improving the education standard is very important. The W.I.P.M. Party is committed to further develop quality education for all. We will continue to work with the Ministry of Education and UNICEF to ensure that all aspects, especially when it concerns children's rights, are respected and standards improved. Improving facilities which accommodate our children while at school is very important and will take shape in 2015. Existing classrooms will be renovated and new buildings will be constructed to house the kindergarten and the Laura Linzey Day Care Center in St. Johns.

The W.I.P.M. Government is also a stern supporter of initiatives which offer educational and employment opportunities for adults. Programs such as Saba Reach, Social Workplace and the Social Youth Opportunity/ Supervisor Plus Program will continue to be supported. These programs allow many individuals a second chance to further their education while being able to make an income to support their families.

Education is something that also continues outside of the classroom and the W.I.P.M. Government will continue to promote and invest in programs that will contribute to the development of our youth. Programs such as Child Focus and the Saba Girls and Boys After School Program are important to keep our children active. Installing additional playgrounds in the various villages and improving sporting facilities will be a priority moving forward.

- **Poverty Reduction/Social Levels:** The W.I.P.M. Party is of the opinion that not all social problems can be resolved by boosting the economy, even though this is a very important factor. There needs to be a combined effort between the private sector, the local government and the Dutch Government to reduce the number of people living below the poverty line.

It is obvious that the old age pension (AOV) and welfare benefits are well below the poverty line. This is partly caused by the fact that the minimum wage which is established does not reflect the economic reality on Saba. In 2013, together with the private sector, a formal request was made to the State Secretary of Social Affairs to have the minimum wage increased by 20%. This request was ultimately not honoured. We will continue to negotiate with SZW to ensure that the minimum wage can eventually reflect our economic reality.

The W.I.P.M. Party will also continue its efforts to see the AOV levels increased, especially for those who do not have a secondary pension to supplement their income. These persons should at least receive an old age pension which is equal to the minimum wage.

Social Housing: Over the last years much has been invested in additional social housing. Currently, there are plans to further expand the Under the Hill Housing complex through funding from the 10th EDF. Efforts will continue to be made to meet the demand for social housing. Projects are also ongoing to repair existing social homes. Negotiations with the Dutch government will continue to promote low interest loans for those who would like to build their own home.

Governance/Administration

- **Residence and Work Permits:** The local labor market on Saba is very limited but also unique. The business community has suffered considerably because of the current bureaucratic immigration system which delays the process for several months. The Island Government can implement this process more efficiently and effectively than the Central Government. Having this task fall under the Island Government will significantly reduce the red tape and speed up the process. This will be a priority during the evaluation negotiations.
- **Immigration procedures** at the points of entry also need to be revised. The W.I.P.M. Party will strive to improve this process. Agreements can be made with Country St. Maarten which will allow for the free movement of passengers as we enjoyed prior to 10-10-10.

Financial Management

Since 2008, Saba fell under financial supervision along with Bonaire and Statia. From the onset the W.I.P.M. Government was as transparent as possible and cooperated fully with the CFT. The same relationship is shared with the independent auditor, who is appointed by the Island Council, Ernst and Young. Because of this Saba is now the lead island when it comes to financial management. Our successes are well known throughout the Kingdom and have been recognized publically by the CFT and the Dutch Government. Saba is the only island in the history of the Dutch Caribbean to receive a positive statement for the year reports from an independent auditor. This was first achieved for the yearly report 2012 and then again in 2013.

Because of these successes, the Island Government has been able to obtain interest free loans from the relevant ministries in the Netherlands. This process, which must also get the approval of the CFT, can only be possible when one has their financial house in order. Saba has been able to secure an interest free loan to assist with the expansion of the school in St. Johns, an interest free loan for the Windwardside parking lot and will receive another one this year to repave the Fort Bay Road. These are tangible results which will have a positive impact on our island.

Over the last years, budgets, budget amendments and financial ordinances have all been presented to the Island Council after consultation with the CFT and the auditor. These proposals have all received unanimous support when debated by the Island Council.

Last year, the W.I.P.M. led Government presented a very important ordinance which establishes the reserves for the island. Building this reserve will remain a priority. This can only be achieved when you have a Government that is capable of making responsible financial decisions.

Currently there is a project to analyze the amount of money which Saba receives to supplement the island budget. This is the second time such a study has been completed. During the first analysis a range was established as to what Saba would need for a total budget. During that period, when the Netherlands was making substantial budget cuts, it was decided to go with the lower end of the suggested amounts. Shortly after the election in March, this process will be completed and it is absolutely necessary that the right people are in place to ensure that Saba gets what it needs to be financially stable and be able to improve Government services. The W.I.P.M. Party has these people. We are ready, willing and capable to lead the way.

Cost of Living

As we all know the cost of living on Saba is one of the highest in the entire Kingdom of the Netherlands, if not the highest itself. Due to the fact that Saba has to import basically all goods, the cost continues to increase at every port of call and every point of transfer. Also, adding to this, is the small-scale economy of which prevents large scale wholesalers etc.

The W.I.P.M. Party is of the belief that there are many factors that add to this issue. Items such as the levels of social benefits and the levels of old age pension have a significant impact on persons who are recipients of those provisions. We have covered those issues in another section, but by increasing those levels, the buying power of those groups would rise accordingly. The level of the minimum wage needs to be increased as well to better reflect the reality of this economy. The cost of electricity is also a major factor in this area and is covered extensively in another section in this party program.

Just recently the Island Government signed a covenant of cooperation with the three major supermarkets to help cut cost on a list of so called basic provisions. The supermarkets have agreed to reduce the cost of items falling in the agreed upon categories to help all citizens ensure that their basic daily needed goods can be more affordable. We take this time to also recognize them for this agreement and thank them for working together in the best interest of the people of Saba. This agreement will help to bring down the cost of living, but the W.I.P.M. Party realizes that this is a complex issue and has to be confronted on many levels. It is good for voters to remember that it will take experienced and qualified candidates to continue to address this issue for our community.

During the past years of government the W.I.P.M. Party has challenged the Dutch National Government to raise the levels of social welfare, old age pension and the minimum wage for Saba. The W.I.P.M. Government has sent numerous objections to the levels of social premiums to all levels of the Dutch Government. During this past term the local Government challenged all the party leaders of the second chamber by asking them, "Is Saba part of the Netherlands, yes or no?". The Island Government also prepared a presentation delivered to the state secretary of social affairs, Mrs Jetta Klijnsma, the Prime Minister Mr. Mark Rutte, and the general public of Saba comparing the levels of Saba to that of the Netherlands to highlight the discrepancies between the two.

Social Levels

The issue of social levels is not an easy one, but should be fully addressed during the evaluation and the following negotiations. Having the exact same levels as the Netherlands would be very hard to do at this time. Businesses, many of whom are already overburdened, would face major setbacks if they immediately would have to pay wages at a Dutch level. The cost of living would rise tremendously on an island where the prices are already some of the highest in the Kingdom. The W.I.P.M. is of the opinion that the levels of the minimum wage need to be raised, but at a level that can work for the economy of the island.

However, the W.I.P.M. Party is of a different opinion about the levels of Social Welfare and the Old Age Pension. For years the Dutch government stated that the raising of the level of Social welfare would bring citizens from throughout the kingdom to Saba and the other BES islands to receive the benefits. This argument can be easily negated by having in a residence period of at least 5 years in order for someone to qualify. The W.I.P.M. believes in a work first approach, but during times when a person is unable to work, or if they have a disability that prevents them from working, they should be able to live at an acceptable level, to live in dignity, and to be able to provide for his or her family if need be.

We are also of the opinion that the level of the old age pension should be raised to that which can be considered acceptable when compared to the cost of living. As co-signatories to the agreement of 2008, whereby it states that the levels of education, healthcare, social services and safety, should be at an acceptable levels within the country of the Netherlands, the W.I.P.M. Party is of the opinion that the Old Age Pension needs to be raised to a much higher level. We have made it a point of ours, taking it to court, stating it at every level of the Dutch Government, and bringing it up again with the evaluation committee, to stand firm in our position. We feel that this needs to be fully addressed by the evaluation committee, and will continue to press on for this if elected on March 18th. As we said earlier, the incoming Government will have to be ready to represent Saba in the evaluation process within one week of taking office. We, the W.I.P.M. Party are ready to do this for the people of Saba.

Health Care/Elderly Care

Although most aspects of health care now fall under the Saba Health Care Foundation and the health insurance, (ZVK), the W.I.P.M. led Government has remained involved and contributes as much as it can. When necessary, we have been very critical especially when it concerns efficiency. We feel that with improved efficiency and flexibility, there would be no need to make cuts in the insurance package. The W.I.P.M. Party will also continue to strive for an expanded St. Maarten Medical Center and we think it is of utmost importance that this is also financially supported by the Dutch Government. This will pay immediate dividends not only for St. Maarten, but for Saba and Statia as well.

The W.I.P.M. Party will continue to support the Saba Health Care Foundation as it continues to grow and expand its services. We believe that there have been many positive developments since the SHCF started, and with their intentions to upgrade the current facilities, more improvements are yet to come.

The W.I.P.M. Government is in the process of preparing a policy document to improve elderly care on the island. This policy will be completed during the first quarter of this year and will be made public. The W.I.P.M. Government is also involved in the merging process between the SHCF and the Saba Benevolent Foundation. We believe that both of these developments will bring about a positive change for our elderly.

Notary Service/Land Policy/Kadaster

The W.I.P.M. Government was very involved with the process to reestablish notarial services on the island. This was a very long process as it involved negotiating with two bodies within the Kingdom; the Dutch Government and Country St. Maarten. After several delays, notary services are now available on island again.

The W.I.P.M. Party is also in the process of establishing an island ordinance which will aid in the process of establishing property rights. This ordinance will outline which documents will be deemed acceptable by the Island Government. Once this ordinance has been ratified by the Island Council, this will help protect the rights of land owners on our island.

During the second quarter of 2015, discussions about the future plans of Kadaster will continue. The W.I.P.M. Government believes that these services should be available locally. This will reduce our dependency on the Kadaster services from St. Maarten. Although we appreciate the service we have received and continue to receive, we feel that a local service which is supported by Kadaster Netherlands, could be more efficient and less expensive for our people.

Voting Rights

The W.I.P.M. Party has been very clear in its statements over the past term that voting rights of foreigners residing on Saba for a period of over five years should remain. The party is of the belief that individuals who live here, work here, and invest here should be able to have a say in the representatives that run the government of the island they reside on. The W.I.P.M. has lobbied for this in the past and will continue to do so during the evaluation and the upcoming term. We ask the foreign nationals who are able to vote in this election to take the time and familiarize themselves with the issues of this election. We also ask them to examine the candidates of each list so that they can make an informed choice as to which party should be running the Island Government of Saba for the next four years. We thank the foreign nationals for taking the time to consider the issues and candidates of this election, and we pledge stability and development for all if we are re-elected to serve the community of Saba.

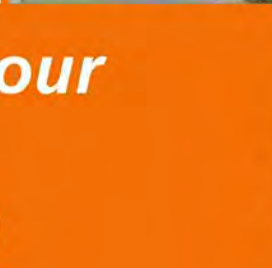
Conclusion

As members of the W.I.P.M. Party we have presented you the voter with a comprehensive program concerning the elections of March 18th and the upcoming term. We feel that this election is very important and will have far reaching consequences for Saba and her people. Issues like the upcoming Evaluation of 2015 need to be discussed at the forefront of this election. It is also important for the voter of Saba to take the time and compare the political parties as an entire group, and not just by individual candidates. The dualistic system we are in means that any party serious about managing the affairs of Saba needs to have an entire team of capable candidates. The W.I.P.M. Party certainly includes candidates that form a group which is able, qualified and ready to continue operating the affairs of the island. In addition it is important for you as a voter to know what the Government has been carrying out for you the people of the island over the last years. This program includes a number of projects that are either ongoing, or about to start, which are extremely important for our economy, overall growth and continued development. We also refer to the Island Government Development Plan that makes a detailed inventory of the Government's vision for the next term and beyond. In addition we have added an attachment titled, "What has your W.I.P.M. Government done for you", that can be used as a reference to show the W.I.P.M. Government's projects and programs over the past two terms.

In closing we would like to thank you for taking the time to familiarize yourself with our program, the candidates, our ideas and our visions for the future. We want to continue to work to develop our island in a way that will benefit all the people of Saba, including its culture, economy, social development, infrastructure, environment and overall social economic conditions. We want to provide the stability and leadership needed to continue the progress we are seeing. We want to make sure Saba is well represented throughout the kingdom in highlighting both the positive and negative impacts of our status to all levels of government. We want to continue this work for Saba, but we can only accomplish this if we have the support of you the voters of Saba. On March 18th we ask you to stand with us, to fight for continued development and stability through proper representation, and we ask you to vote W.I.P.M.!

W.I.P.M. Party Principles

- We recognize the inherent dignity of the individual and his/her inalienable rights.
- We hold that freedom and justice are inseparable and that the social order should serve the welfare of the individual as well as the community.
- We recognize the right of each citizen to participate actively in the Government of this island.
- We believe in a social-economic order that is free from discrimination and intimidation, wherein the general welfare of the people is the primary objective and the people are entitled to a just share in the wealth which they can help produce.
- We support individual initiative, with equal opportunity for each individual.
- Security for the less fortunate, the aged and the young must be guaranteed.
- The position and rights of the workers must be regulated by law.
- Each person has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion and is free to manifest his/her beliefs in private and/or in public.
- Representatives of the people should be men and women of integrity and shall at all times adhere to the principles of the party.



What has your



Government done
for you?

**"Moving Forward
Together!"**

WIPM
WINDWARD ISLANDS
PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT

Infrastructure Projects List

This extensive list consists of infrastructure projects carried out by the WIPM party since 2007. These projects were done through Dutch financing, special purpose grants, funding from the Island and National Government, the European Union and by Government owned companies. This list also includes upcoming projects that are either ongoing or pending. This information, broken down by village area, shows the length that the WIPM government has gone to structurally improve our island. The WIPM party, as shown here, is the party that GETS IT DONE.

The Bottom

- The Archives Building was completely renovated both inside and out. An additional room was also added to the building.
- Two new wings were built for the Administration building.
- The entire old section of the Administration building was completely renovated both inside and out to match with the new building wings.
- A parking lot was constructed at the back of the Administration building which is primarily used by staff.
- The Police Station and holding cells were completely renovated.
- A new office building was constructed adjacent to the renovated Police Station.
- The Public Prosecutor Office was completely renovated.
- Decorative street light project was completed along the main roads/
- Office of Public Works/Planning Bureau was completely renovated.
- Two store rooms and bathroom facility built in back of the existing building of Public Works.
- The Range:
 - Major road improvements were undertaken and all drainage issues and walkways were fixed.
 - The apartment complex was completely renovated.
 - Three housing blocks were built, consisting of 6 units.
 - The cistern catchment was extended and cisterns were repaired.
- Satel had storage and office space constructed, and had parking created on two levels.
- The historic Cobblestone Road traversing the Catholic Church and Hospital was completely redone and walls were repaired where needed.



NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING WINGS



RENOVATED POLICE STATION



THE HISTORICAL COBBLESTONE ROAD



SOCIAL HOUSING BLOCKS



**RENOVATED GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE,
CULTURE BUILDING, AND CRUIF COURT**



GAZEBO AT THE QUEEN WILHELMINA PARK



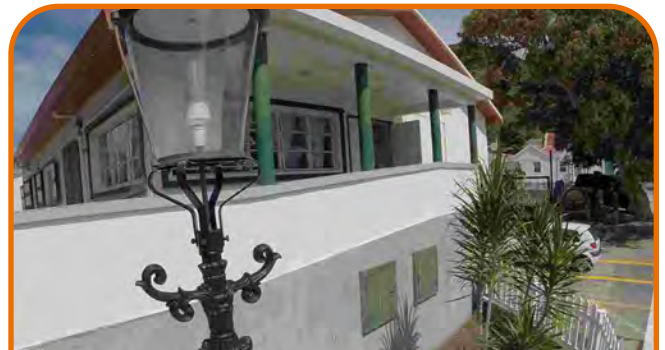
THE GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE

- The Day Care Center:
 - The building was completely renovated and a store room was constructed.
 - Sewage issues were addressed through the construction of a new cesspit.
- The side road to Franklin Every residence was repaved.
- Antique Inn building was completely renovated and now is RCN headquarters. An office parking lot was also built.
- The Juliana's Sports Field:
- The Day Care Center:
 - All buildings, bleachers, and surrounding walls are painted regularly.
 - Roofs were changed on the buildings.
 - Additional bathrooms were built.
 - Emergency exit and ramp built.
 - The sports field was repaved and a drainage system was installed.
 - New basketball rims installed.
 - The electrical system has been improved.
- The Sunny Valley Youth Center:
 - Bathrooms repaired, building painted and minor renovations completed.
 - Safety railing built and entrance remodeled with retaining walls around the building improved.
- The T-Crossing in the area of Angelina's restaurant was improved.
- Governor's Residence was completely renovated with railings, entrance, and a generator room constructed.
- The Culture Building was constructed and now houses the Public Library. A vending room, bathrooms & storage were also built to accommodate sporting events.
- The Johan Cruif Court completed and the field was properly graded and artificial turf installed. The Johan Cruif Field on Saba is the biggest of its kind in the world as it can be used for both softball and soccer.
- TA road to the Johan Cruif Court was constructed, complete with parking.
- The Wilhelmina Park was completely renovated with a brand-new gazebo, walkways, and bathroom facilities.
- The road from below the Governor's residence to Under the Hill was completely repaved including all side roads.

- Social Housing Infrastructure and ten housing blocks (consisting of 20 units) constructed Under the Hill.
- A Grey-Water Cistern was constructed Under the Hill.
- Graves in the Catholic Burying Ground were repaired.
- Gate, railings, and walls were constructed to improve the Government cemetery. The road below cemetery was widened where possible and safety and retaining walls were improved.
- The Hospital had a generator room, garage and railings newly constructed. Other renovations such as the dental room and morgue were also improved. The old Library Building completely renovated.
- The Ladder Bay road was repaved.
- The Gap Road was repaved.
- The road leading to the Honorary Henry Carlyle Every Home for the Aged repaved.
- New benches were placed along the New Road.
- Seven cases where public assistance was sought were granted to improve dwellings.
- Rock walls were built and the road widened above the Police Station.



**THE ROAD LEADING TO THE HONORARY
HENRY CARLYLE EVERY HOME**



NEW LAMP POSTS INSTALLED

Ongoing

The Sunny Valley Youth Center will be completely renovated and modernized.

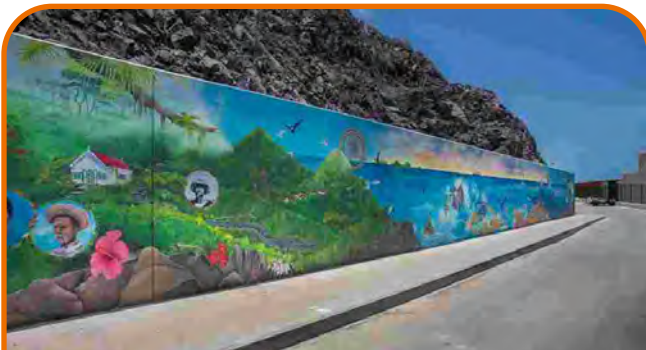
Pending

- The Intersection by the road which leads to The Range will be widened.
- New lights will be installed and lines for basketball and volleyball will be painted on the Juliana's Sports Field.
- An EU project for Under the Hill for infrastructure for 10 housing blocks.

Fort Bay



NEW DOCK



FORT BAY MURAL



NEW COMMERCIAL COMPLEX



HARBOR OFFICE

- The Holes in Fort Bay Road were repaired.
- Steel protection for the fence was repaired.
- The Small Pier breakwater was restored after the passing of Hurricane Omar in 2008 and then once again after a storm in 2012. After Hurricane Omar the basin was dredged, the top of the pier was repaved, and the area in front of the old harbor office was repaved.
- A Step Platform was constructed on the small pier to better accommodate smaller boats.
- A new commercial complex was built where the old harbor office used to be. The complex has 11 small units on the first level, bathrooms, a storage area for the Saba Marine Park, and three cisterns (2 in the back with about 30000 gallons capacity each and a smaller cistern under the building). On the second level three large commercial sections and two smaller sections were built with a shared bathroom facility. On top of the second level a large protection wall built to protect the building from erosion from the above hill side.
- Public Restrooms were restored.
- A new Boat Ramp was constructed.
- A new Dock was constructed and directly above it the road was widened allowing for a parking area.
- A large protection wall was built to make the area safer.
- The mural painted on the wall for beautification purposes.
- A new two-story building constructed which house the Harbor Office, Security, Customs, Immigration and boat agents. The building also has a small storage area in the back.
- The Container Storage area was widened and a platform built at the back for offloading containers. Fencing around the container storage area is newly constructed.
- Lights, security cameras and water lines were installed on all three piers.
- Mooring blocks were constructed for the Marine Park on two separate occasions.
- The road from the new harbor office to the area below Big Rock Engineering was paved. Lights are also installed along the road.
- A boat storage area was created behind the container storage area.

- A Landfill Project cleaned up the landfill and separated all steel from the site. Steel has been shipped out on two separate occasions. The roads and walls were improved during the same project.
- An Airburner was purchased and infrastructure such as roads and walls were constructed to better accommodate arriving garbage trucks and for the loading of the Airburner.
- Old Fisherman Sheds were removed and more parking spaces were created.



Ongoing

- A regionally ground-breaking, full-scale recycling project will entail the construction of two buildings and the purchasing of several pieces of recycling equipment.

Pending

- The repaving of the Fort Bay Road. This will allow retaining and safety walls to be improved and the steel safety fence will be repaired.
- The relocation of the Power Plant to the Fort Gut.

Bottom Hill

- Safety walls and retaining walls were constructed below Rudy Zagers. This section of the road was widened where possible.

Pending

- The construction of retaining walls, safety walls, and road widening from the area starting by the office of Public Works to the area above Lollipops will commence

St. John's



ROAD REPAVED

- The road from Alva Hassell to the intersection across from the Sacred Heart School was repaved. Retaining and safety walls were also improved.
- Classrooms at the Saba Comprehensive School were repaired and modernized.
- The Playground at the Saba Comprehensive School were beautified and a new gazebo was built.
- The Gym roof was repaired, completely repainted, and new lights were installed on the inside.
- Retaining walls from the area below Mrs. Edwina Linzey to the Crispeen area were rebuilt. This road was widened wherever possible.
- The road to Crispeen was repaved.



SABA COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL COURTYARD

Ongoing

- The repairing of the road to the Point.
- The paving of the road to the Dog Cliff.



ARTISTIC IMPRESSION OF NEW SCHOOL CLASSROOMS

Pending

- Infrastructure and additional parking for new school buildings.
- Building a new Day-care Center.
- New classrooms for Kindergarten.
- Infrastructure upgrades for the Sacred Heart School.
- Infrastructure upgrades for the Saba Comprehensive School.
- Infrastructure upgrades for the Gymnasium.

Giles Quarter/ Over the Peak

- Long-term beautification project with July trees planted from the rock memorial to the top of St John's hill.
- Major section of the road has been repaired.
- The road was also widened in this area.
- Fixed the support wall (wall below the road) and constructed a section of new safety walls. High tension cables were put underground.



JULY TREE SAPLINGS IN GILES QUARTER

Pending

- Heightening of safety walls and retaining walls, new retaining walls where necessary, and road widening will be completed wherever possible.

Windwardside



RENOVATED SABA TOURIST BUREAU



RENOVATED MUSEUM AND MUSEUM GROUNDS



RENOVATED EUGENIUS JOHNSON CENTER



CEMETERY RENOVATED

- The Eugenius Johnson Center was completely renovated and modernized.
- The Child Focus building was completely renovated.
- A generator room and generator were installed which will be shared by Child Focus and the Eugenius Johnson Center.
- The Museum was completely renovated.
- Museum grounds were beautified.
- Storage area and restrooms were constructed near the Museum.
- The entrance to the Museum was remodeled and improved.
- The pathway from the Anglican Church to the Museum was repaved.
- The Tourist Office Building was renovated.
- A rock wall was constructed and the fence by the cemetery was fixed.
- The Youth Center behind the church was completely renovated.
- The road leading to the Chinese Restaurant was repaved along with the side road. Safety walls were built and the road was widened where possible.
- Three cases of public assistance were granted to improve dwellings.
- Decorative Street lights were installed.

Ongoing

- Renovation of the old library/clinic.
- The roof of the Gazebo by the Museum will be changed.
- Major project to build parking lot and grey water cistern.

The Level/Booby Hill

- Roads leading to both The Level and Bobby Hill were repaved.
- High tension cables were put underground.
- Safety walls were improved where necessary.
- A bathroom facility was built by The Farm in the Level.



ROAD TO THE LEVEL AND BOOBY HILL

English Quarter

- The Agriculture Building was completely renovated.
- A Retaining Wall was built from the property of George Brame to the intersection of the mountain road. The road was also widened in this area.
- One case of public assistance that was granted to improve dwellings.



RENOVATED AGRICULTURE BUILDING

Ongoing

- The paving of the road below the agricultural station.

Hells Gate Guts

- A Retaining Wall from Mountain Road entrance to cistern below the residence of Millicent Hassell was built.
- The road was widened where possible.
- Three solar street lights were installed.



RETAINING WALL BELOW THE MOUNTAIN ROAD

Ongoing

- Safety walls will continue to be improved.
- The underground electrical cabling project will be completed.



RENOVATED AND WIDENED HELL'S GATE ROAD

Hells Gate

- Retaining Walls from below the grey water cisterns below the residence of Millicent Hassell to behind the Catholic Church was built. The road widened where possible.
- A dirt road for the burial ground was created. The Community Center was renovated.
- A Retaining Wall from above the area of the residence of David Johnson to the entrance of the Mount Road was built. The road was widened where possible.



EXTENSIVE DEVELOPMENTS AT COVE BAY

Flat Point

- The Airport Building roof was changed and the building was completely repainted.
- The lines on runway were repainted.
- A new fence around the runway was installed.
- Technical Classrooms were completely renovated.
- Cove Bay building was painted, minor repairs completed, and electrical system upgraded.
- Public playground was built.
- Swimming pond made much larger. The pond was continually dredged when needed after storms.
- White sand (donated from St. Maarten) placed on the shore on two occasions.

Ongoing

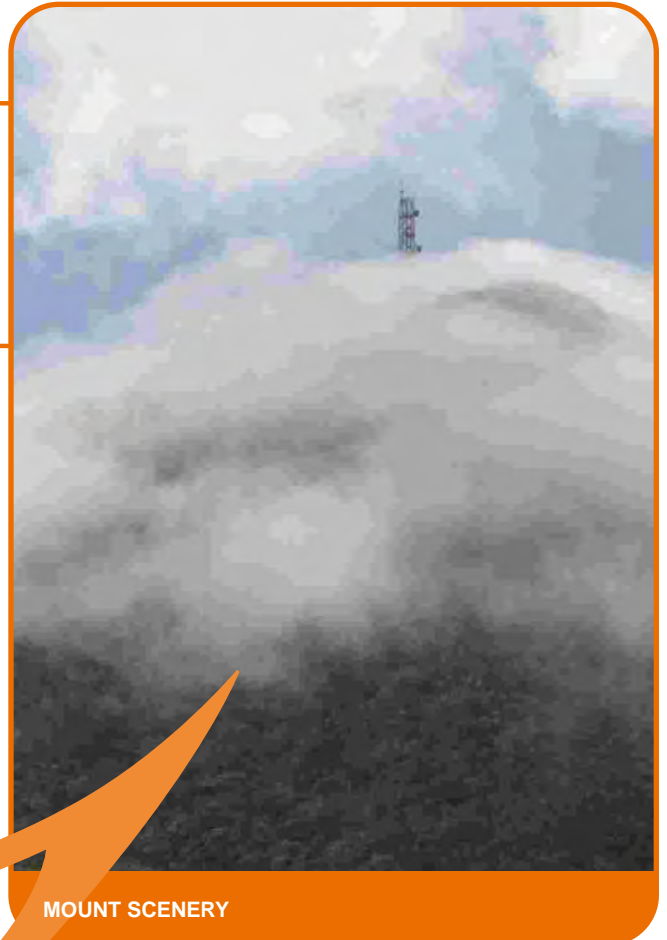
- An Airport Project to repave runway, excavate hill to improve the landing area, and remodel - airport building.

Mount Scenery

- The “Power to the Tower” project.

Ongoing

- Tower will be cleaned and painted.



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