



2023-24 Annual Report

Adventist Development and Relief Agency Australia



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About ADRA

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) is the official humanitarian agency of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. ADRA Australia works as part of the global ADRA network, which extends into more than 100 countries.

Our Purpose

To serve humanity so all may live as God intended.

Our Motto

Justice. Compassion. Love. (Inspired by Micah 6:8).

Our Values

Connected

We work collaboratively for the best outcome for those living in poverty or distress.

Courageous

We persevere through challenging situations.

Compassionate

We empathise with the communities we work with and also with each other.

Areas of Impact



HEALTH



LIVELIHOODS



EDUCATION



DISASTERS

Acknowledgement of Country

At this time, we acknowledge our God and Saviour Jesus Christ. We acknowledge you Lord because you are the creator, provider and supreme owner of all things.

We also respectfully acknowledge the Guringai and Darug people who are traditional custodians of this land. We pay tribute to elders past, present and emerging, and acknowledge that they have cared for this country over countless generations. We recognise the continuing contribution that the Guringai and Darug people make to the life of this region and pray that we can work together to leave a legacy of reconciliation, justice and hope for all future Australians.

Board Chair Message

Dear friends of ADRA,

Jesus was very clear about what should matter most; to love God with all your heart, soul and mind, and love your neighbour as yourself. (Matthew 22:37-39). God, in His infinite wisdom, created us to love fully and abundantly, without distinction.

ADRA's purpose is "To serve humanity so all may live as God intended." We cannot fulfil our purpose without a broadness of understanding and an ability to love without distinction, abundantly, like God loves us! It takes the core Biblical values of Justice, Compassion and Love to fulfil the mission entrusted to us.

ADRA, together with the generous help of supporters like you, has been striving to focus on loving our neighbours, and we serve many neighbours. Janelle (a member of our Board of Directors), Denison (our CEO), Denison's son, and I went to Timor-Leste in February of this year to visit ADRA's projects there. We met with our ADRA Timor-Leste team and had five fantastic days seeing how your generous donations are changing lives through ADRA's projects! From women who have formed cooperatives to

make all sorts of products to supplement their income, to savings and loans groups that have transformed the finances of entire villages, and to farmers learning new techniques to improve their crops year-round, you are truly changing lives! This trip highlighted that what matters most is loving our neighbours and helping them live as God intended.

What matters most in life to you? If you are reading this, I know that it means you are one of many who value the purposeful mission of ADRA. Your support means that together we are able to love our neighbours and help them live as God intended. Thank you for your continued support of ADRA through your donation of time, your skills, and money. You are a blessing to us, but more so to many whom you've never met. Thank you for loving your neighbour.

In Christ,



Terry Johnson
Board Chair, ADRA Australia

CEO Message

Dear friends,

We are proud to be celebrating 40 years of operating as ADRA in Australia this year.

There is so much to be said about this milestone, and the impact showcased within this report is just a glimpse of the impact that ADRA has had over this period. It has also prompted me to think about legacies, and the impact we can make during our lifetime.

For 40 years, ADRA has been creating a legacy: a legacy of serving humanity, loving our neighbours, and helping the most vulnerable. But ADRA's legacy is not ADRA's alone; it is a shared legacy. It is a legacy shared with our generous supporters, without whom there would be no ADRA. It is a legacy shared with the Seventh-day Adventist Church, with our volunteers, with our partners, and our staff.

During our lifetime, we are seeing glimpses of our shared legacy, and I am energised by the fact that through our actions today, we are sowing life-changing seeds for tomorrow.

Thank you for partnering with ADRA in our purpose to serve humanity so all may live as God intended, and as you read this report may you know that ADRA's legacy is yours to share.

Thank you and God bless,



Denison Grellmann
CEO, ADRA Australia



ADRA is celebrating its 40th anniversary in Australia

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) has a long heritage of humanitarian work that dates back over a century. Before the Seventh-day Adventist Church established ADRA internationally in 1983, and ADRA Australia in 1984, it had already been organising relief activities since 1918, when it sent aid to regions devastated by World War I.

"Our 40th anniversary is a testament to the dedication and hard work of our staff members and partners, who have worked relentlessly to provide healing and hope to people in need," says Michael Kruger, ADRA International President. "ADRA has made significant progress in its four decades of existence, nevertheless, more work remains. As we commemorate this milestone, we also look forward to the future and the opportunities to continue making a remarkable difference in underprivileged communities. We remain committed to our mission of serving humanity so that all people may live as God intended."

An increase in disasters and famine prompted the establishment of Seventh-day Adventist Welfare Service (SAWS) in 1956. A shift from welfare activities to long-term development initiatives led to its name changing to Seventh-day Adventist World Service in 1973. A decade later, SAWS was renamed the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) to better reflect its overall mission and activities.

"As we reflect back on 40 years of ADRA in Australia, we are grateful for every supporter, volunteer, employee, board member, and the Seventh-day Adventist Church, that has been on this journey with us," says Denison Grellmann, ADRA Australia CEO. "We currently operate in over 20 countries, impacting hundreds of thousands of lives each year. With the cost-of-living crisis, we are also stepping up our national program to meet the needs of vulnerable Australians. There are currently over 100 projects in Australia, and this is only possible thanks to our more than 2,000 volunteers, and partnerships with churches and ADRA Op Shops across the country.

"ADRA is committed to continue being the hands and feet of Jesus and demonstrating Justice, Compassion and Love throughout its work for decades to come!"



2023-24 Snapshot

Project Themes

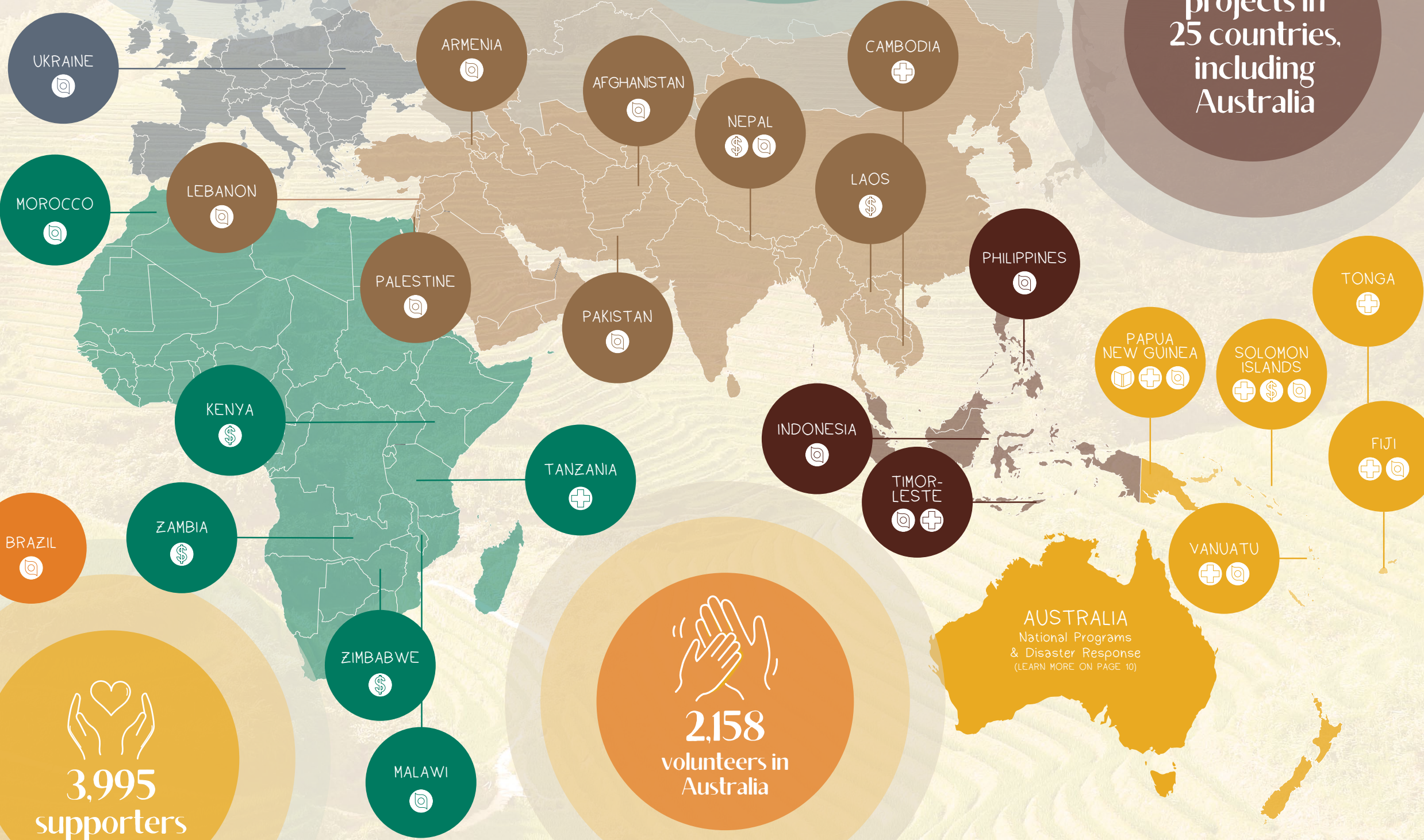
- EDUCATION
- HEALTH
- LIVELIHOOD
- DISASTER

89 cents
from every dollar went
to projects in Australia
and overseas

315,849
lives impacted

152
projects in
25 countries,
including
Australia

\$35,116,731
revenue



3,995
supporters

2,158
volunteers in
Australia

International Programs

“Life was hard. Sometimes we would only eat once a day for days at a time.”



FARMS Project, Zambia
Photo by Luke Vodell

Mildred's Story

Mildred is a single mother of four, living in rural Zambia. Her family ate what she could grow, but it was never enough. With barely enough food to eat and nothing leftover to sell for income, Mildred struggled to provide the basics for her children. Sometimes they would only eat once a day, for days at a time.

Through an ADRA project, Mildred received cowpeas, cassava, and garlic seeds, and received farming training to help her get the most out of her harvest. Now, she is growing enough for her children to have three meals a day, and she is able to sell the excess for necessities like soap and school books.

“I have seen the difference in my life because of the things you have brought for us. Now we have enough to eat – we are not hungry anymore.”

The FARMS Project in Zambia receives support from the Australian Government through the Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP).

*Name changed for child protection



Overview

ADRA's development projects work with communities in the South Pacific, Asia, and Africa to bring transformational change. Our work is focused in the areas of health and wellbeing, sustainable livelihoods and education.



134,930

PEOPLE IMPACTED
THROUGH OUR OVERSEAS
DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS



\$8,910,015

TOTAL INTERNATIONAL
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
EXPENDITURE

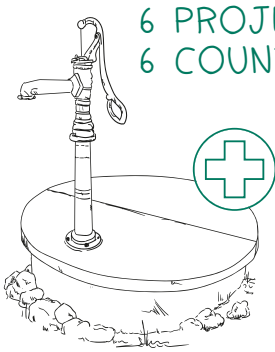


13 PROJECTS IN
11 COUNTRIES

Health

With good health, people can live life to the fullest. That's why we work with communities to provide access to clean water, improve sanitation and hygiene, reduce malnutrition, and prevent diseases. Some examples include:

Female students in the Solomon Islands are learning how to sew reusable sanitary pads so they don't have to miss school when menstruating. Communities in Timor-Leste have received access to reliable water sources for drinking, washing, and watering crops. Pregnant women and mothers in Cambodia are equipped with information on maternal and infant health and nutrition.



6 PROJECTS IN
6 COUNTRIES

Livelihoods

With opportunities to earn a living, people can provide for their families and send their children to school. That's why we work with families to start and grow small businesses that benefit themselves, the community, and the environment. Some examples include:

Project participants with disabilities in Zambia are empowered to start small businesses through animal-rearing training. Women in Kenya affected as a result of HIV/AIDS have become financially secure thanks to village savings and loans groups and entrepreneurship support. Farmers in Laos are learning how to produce climate-resilient crops so they can earn a steady income.

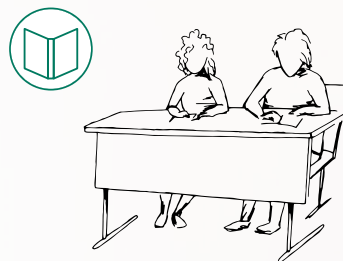


6 PROJECTS IN
6 COUNTRIES

Education

Education is the key to breaking the cycle of poverty and giving hope for a better future. That's why we work with communities to combat the barriers that keep children out of school, including poor health and a lack of financial stability that requires children to work instead of attend classes. We also include education into our projects, including providing adult literacy classes as well as education around women's rights to help reduce gender-based violence. An example is:

In Papua New Guinea, ADRA is conducting adult literacy “Training of Trainers” training for six local missions. The aim is to upskill each local mission trainer so they can go back and train their adult literacy school teachers at their local missions.



1 PROJECT IN
1 COUNTRY

National Programs

Annie's Story

"When I first went to ADRA, it was because I didn't have a place to live," says Annie. "I was on the street. I had nowhere to go."

Thirteen years ago, ADRA connected Annie with one of their social workers who helped her access affordable housing. Since then, Annie has been living modestly, but well.

"It's not always easy to live on what you get in the pension," Annie says. "You go into a supermarket, and everything is higher in prices than it has been before. But (ADRA) helps me with food."

At the age of 74, Annie is facing homelessness again. "The biggest, biggest worry in my life is whether I can stay in this place," Annie says. "I've got a little paradise here, and I wouldn't like for that to be taken away from me."

Annie is one of many Australians receiving support from a local ADRA project.

ADRA Blacktown Community Centre
Photo by Luke Vodell

Overview

ADRA, in partnership with local Seventh-day Adventist churches, operates initiatives such as food pantries, counselling, community gardens, and emergency relief to help those in the community who would otherwise fall through the cracks. When accessing these services, those receiving assistance also find comfort in the companionship of ADRA and church volunteers, creating a stronger sense of belonging within their community.



138,804
PEOPLE IMPACTED BY ADRA'S
NATIONAL PROGRAMS IN THE
PAST YEAR



103
COMMUNITY
PROJECTS IN
AUSTRALIA



42
PEOPLE EVERY HOUR
ARE RECEIVING AN ADRA
SERVICE IN AUSTRALIA

Volunteers

Our volunteers are at the heart of what we do. This year, we were blessed to have 2,158 volunteers give generously of their time to support our work in Australia. Spanning across all age groups and life experiences, our volunteers have been involved with ADRA throughout the year by running food pantries, providing counselling services, hosting fundraiser events in their schools, churches and workplaces, and operating ADRA Op Shops. Thank you to our committed volunteers for all you have made possible.



\$15,252,033
VOLUNTEER HOURS
EXPRESSED AS A
GIFT IN KIND

Map of National Programs

- KEY
- OP SHOP
 - COMMUNITY CENTRE
 - COMMUNITY GARDEN
 - EMERGENCY RELIEF
 - COMMUNITY PANTRY
 - ADRA CAFE



Please note this is a representation. Icons are not in the exact location and may represent more than one program.

Disasters

Artem's Story

10 year old Artem* and his mother Tetiana fled from their hometown of Kherson, Ukraine, when the conflict escalated. But accessing school in their new city was challenging, and without a way to access education, Artem was further isolated from his peers and at risk of falling behind in his studies. "It was difficult to enrol into a school in Lviv, even in a public school," Tetiana says.

Thankfully, Tetiana received support from ADRA to help enrol Artem in a local Adventist School.

"Being a displaced woman raising a young child on my own, I would not be able to afford my son's education at such a school without sponsorship," Tetiana says. "If not for this help (from ADRA), Artem would not have been able to get a high-quality education and would not have met new friends his age. His emotional and psychological state improved significantly compared to when he first started studying at the school."

**Name changed for child protection*



ADRA's Ukraine Response
Photo by ADRA Ukraine

Overview

When people are supported before, during, and after a disaster, they are more likely to survive and recover. That's why we work with communities to protect lives, provide emergency shelter kits and food supplies, and rebuild livelihoods. Internationally, our immediate response in times of disaster is possible thanks to the ADRA network, which reaches into more than 100 countries. In Australia, ADRA works through Seventh-day Adventist Churches to support communities in times of disaster.



42,059
LIVES IMPACTED



7 DISASTER-READY
CHURCH WORKSHOPS
RUN IN AUSTRALIA



33 PROJECTS IN
18 COUNTRIES

Disaster Preparedness Spotlight

Preparing Churches in Australia

The Disaster Ready Church initiative engages with Seventh-day Adventist Churches in preparing to support their communities in times of disaster. Each church has its own unique location, experience, capacity, and existing local services which inform disaster planning. Disaster Ready Church workshops are facilitated in-person and tailored to suit the needs of each church/region.

In March 2024, ADRA Australia ran a Disaster Ready Church workshop in Victoria, with 25 participants from Seventh-day Adventist Churches in Leongatha, Lilydale, Pakenham, and Warburton. Kym Mallamaci, Relief & Recovery Team Leader at Yarra Ranges Council, gave a presentation on needs in the area, and outlined how the churches could work with existing response agencies to help to fill gaps in times of disaster.

Churches did some initial capacity analysis, with meals, shower, laundry, and clean up services among those identified as potential response activities. The workshop also highlighted the importance of including Psychological First Aid training so that volunteers feel equipped to respond to people in distress.

Disaster Response Spotlight

Cyclones Judy and Kevin

Cyclones Judy and Kevin were a pair of severe tropical cyclones that made landfall in Vanuatu within 48 hours of each other in March 2024. The storms destroyed buildings and water systems and over 80% of the population was affected.

ADRA's response was immediate, providing food and water, and distributing dignity kits, hygiene kits, and shelter kits. ADRA's Elang Family Support Services Centre was transformed into an evacuation centre, sheltering hundreds of locals during the storms. As part of a holistic response, the ADRA team also provided psychosocial support and psychological first aid training to affected families, to help support them emotionally through the disaster.

Long-term Recovery Spotlight

Ukraine Conflict

Over two years have passed since the escalation of conflict in Ukraine. ADRA's focus has shifted to long-term recovery efforts, with particular emphasis on supporting the psychological wellbeing of displaced children and their families.

In May 2024, ADRA opened six psychological support rooms in Dnipro, Bila Tserkva, Poltava, Lviv, Kherson, and Bucha. Psychologists were recruited, and a psycho-social support program was developed for children, their parents, and teachers, tailored to the needs of the schools. In June 2024, the dedicated team of psychologists conducted 850 individual sessions with both children and adults, 69 group sessions, and 146 people participated in psychotherapy sessions. These sessions provided participants with the opportunity to work through their experiences and to reduce the psychological impact of the conflict.

Evaluation Case Study

FIJI CIRCULAR ECONOMY FOR HEALTHY LIFESTYLE (FCEHL) PROJECT

From July 2021 to June 2024, ADRA Fiji, in partnership with ADRA Australia, implemented the Fiji Circular Economy for Healthy Lifestyle (FCEHL) Project. The project aimed to improve the health and wellbeing of communities in Fiji's Central and Western Divisions, by helping to combat the country's growing prevalence of non-communicable diseases (NCDs) such as diabetes and hypertension. With over 1,060 adults reached across 10 communities, the project supported these individuals to lead healthier lives through education, sustainable food practices, and health screenings.

Fiji, like many South Pacific islands, has seen a concerning rise in NCD cases. The FCEHL project aimed to complement the country's efforts in tackling this issue. This initiative persuaded community members to take up healthier habits by focusing on circular economy ideas. Key parts of this approach included sustainable farming methods such as organic farming and traditional food preservation. With ADRA's assistance, project participants learned to grow their own food, diversify their diets, and lessen their dependence on processed foods. These efforts were then complemented with nutrition education, home gardening activities, and physical activity programs, all supplemented by regular health screenings that helped monitor progress and encourage long-term behavioural change.

Key Achievements

1. Through the project, participants were able to achieve notable health improvements. Many experienced weight loss, managed blood pressure and blood sugar levels, and saw a boost in overall wellbeing. As one participant shared, "I've lost weight and now have more energy. The changes in my diet have helped me control my blood pressure and diabetes."
2. Through the project, significant change in community involvement was also observed. With participants embracing the lifestyle changes the project is promoting, participants subsequently shared their success stories with others and encouraged broader community participation. The project also strengthened social bonds within communities, as people came together to work in community gardens and support each other in adopting healthier

practices. According to a health worker, "We've seen a positive change in behaviour. Community members are now more proactive in seeking help and adopting healthier practices."

3. The project trained participants in organic farming and sustainable agricultural methods, enabling them to grow and eat their own food. This helped participants transition from consuming processed foods to plant-based diets, while at the same time boosting food security. One participant said, "Growing my own vegetables has not only made my diet better but also cut down my grocery costs." The initiative also increased local expertise by building the capacity of health workers and preparing them to keep promoting healthy living after the project ended.
4. The project informed its participants about NCDs and the value of healthy lifestyle choices. Participants gained a better understanding of nutrition, the advantages of plant-based diets, and the importance of physical activity, leading to long-term behaviour shifts. As one participant commented, "I've discovered so much about how to eat right and look after myself. It has transformed the way I cook for my family."

With the use of the Values-Based Approach methodology, the project aligned its initiatives with local cultural values. This approach ensured that factors such as family, career, personal growth, community, spirituality, livelihoods, and social connections were considered in the design and implementation of the project.

This initiative demonstrates that with the right tools, knowledge, and community engagement, significant strides can be made in the fight against NCDs, paving the way for healthier, more resilient communities.

Building on the project's success, ADRA Australia, in continued partnership with ADRA Fiji, is expanding its reach over the next three years, across Fiji through the Bula Swath (Step Up Living Healthy) Project. The initiative aims to support an additional 5,000 participants who are at high risk or vulnerable to developing NCDs, amplifying the impact in combating these diseases and fostering healthier, more resilient communities.



Circular Economy for Healthy Lifestyle Project, Fiji
Photo by ADRA Fiji

Temalesi's Story

Temalesi experienced a remarkable recovery after participating in ADRA's Circular Economy for Healthy Lifestyle Project. Previously bedridden due to rheumatic arthritis and diabetes, she relied on her family for all daily tasks, including personal care. However, after attending ADRA's seven-week health training with her husband, where they learned about healthy eating – focusing on a diet free from salt, sugar, fat, and oil – Temalesi regained her strength and mobility. By following the project's guidelines and growing her own food, she was able to walk again and live independently. Now thriving, she credits ADRA for teaching her the life-changing habits that restored her health and wellbeing.

Key Outcomes



82% of participants have reported improved knowledge of healthy diets, home gardening, and NCD prevention



5,908 individuals were screened over the 3-year project



More than 70% participants reported improved body mass index results, blood glucose levels, blood pressure, and waist circumference



Open Heart International is a program of ADRA Australia, in partnership with the Sydney Adventist Hospital. Highly specialised teams of medical professionals are deployed to deliver surgical solutions and life-saving surgical intervention to vulnerable communities, as well as facilitating capacity building and strengthening services to local medical teams.

Tonga:

In September 2023, an Open Heart International team returned to Tonga for the first surgical trip since before the COVID-19 pandemic. It was rewarding to return to the country of Open Heart International's first ever trip. The team also had the opportunity to honour Dr Toa, a pioneer of the Tonga project who had recently passed away. It was special for the team to be able to use this project to honour her and her dedication to the Open Heart International cardiac program. Over two weeks, 46 volunteers performed both adult and paediatric cardiac surgery. The team completed 22 cases and screened 88 patients.

Tanzania:

This was Open Heart International's first trip back to Jakaya Kikwete Cardiac Institute since 2019. 26 volunteers travelled to Dar es Salaam to assist the cardiac unit with both adult and paediatric cases. This project has a large emphasis on training and capacity building, with training taking place across the board, including in theatres, ICU, physiotherapy, biomedical engineer, and screening. One day of the project was set aside for a multidisciplinary professional development day. It included both clinical topics as well as presentations on non-technical skills such as teamwork, conflict resolution, and vocal projection. The audience was considerable, and the training was very well received.

Papua New Guinea:

The focus for the Papua New Guinea project is to empower the Port Moresby General Hospital cardiac unit to be self-sufficient by conducting more intense training more frequently. These project trips will happen over long weekends with a smaller amount of volunteers to focus on more complex cases in both adult and paediatrics.



Nashon's Story

"I had this severe chest pain at school, and I had a really hard time breathing."

At 18 years old, Nashon faced his second battle with Congenital Heart Disease. Despite travelling from his home in Tanzania to India for his first successful surgery when he was nine years old, Nashon's symptoms re-emerged. Without a valve replacement, Nashon's heart would continue to deteriorate until it failed. Faced with this knowledge and the reality of his country's limited resources, Nashon was fearful for his future.

But with an Open Heart International team set to visit Tanzania, Nashon's surgery was set. On the day of Nashon's surgery, he was nervous and scared. Hours later, he woke in the recovery room after a successful surgery thanks to the Open Heart International team.

"I was filled with joy and happiness that I made it," Nashon says. "I had a very smooth recovery and after two weeks I was discharged. I am back on my feet strong healthy and happy! Thank you, Open Heart International family for fixing my heart."



3 PROJECTS VISITED



56 LIFE-SAVING AND LIFE-CHANGING SURGERIES COMPLETED



89 VOLUNTEERS

Governance

ADRA Australia's Board is accountable to the local ADRA constituency to achieve the purpose outlined in the company Constitution: reduce poverty by serving people and communities in need, by the provision of humanitarian, development and relief aid and assistance in Australia and overseas, without regard to ethnic, political, racial or religious association or qualification. The Board oversees the direction of the organisation and monitors performance against the strategic plan. It has overall responsibility for managing risks and complying with legislation. It determines operating policy, approves plans, activities and the appointment of key personnel. ADRA Australia's Board met seven times in 2023-24.

Board Members

Pr Andres Terry Johnson
Chairperson of the Board
President, Australian Union Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

Dr Denison Grellmann
CEO, ADRA Australia

Mr Peter Cameron
Chief Financial Officer, Australian Union Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

Ms Janelle Cuthbert
Product Manager, ANZ

Mrs Rachel Glasbergen
Senior Business Leader, Sanitarium Health Food Company
Commenced – 19 December 2023

Ms Leah Odongo
Head of Effectiveness, CBM Australia
Commenced – 29 January 2024

Mr Craig Price
Head of Data Science & AI, Suncorp Group

Mr Warren Scale
Retired International Development Worker

Pr Michael Worker
General Secretary, Australian Union Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

Ceased – 14 November 2023
Ms Julie Praestiin

Administrative Committee

The Administrative Committee (ADCOM) includes the CEO and Departmental Directors. ADCOM met seven times and held 16 e-votes in the 2023-24 Financial Year. ADCOM meets regularly to make decisions according to the delegation of authorities, to discuss strategy and performance, and to manage risk, compliance, safeguarding and work safety.

Members

Denison Grellmann
Chief Executive Officer

Charlene Luzuk
National Programs Director

Murray Millar
Emergency Management Director

Alisha Olsen
Supporter Engagement Director

Olive Orate
International Programs Director

Jean Tiran
Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary

Management and Staff

ADRA Australia invests in people. The success of our efforts to create change all stems from the actions of our employees, volunteers, supporters, and partners. We strive to empower, inspire, and enable our people as agents for change. ADRA is an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer and recruits staff through competitive selection to ensure we have the best people available in every role. Staff have access to training and development to ensure they stay up to date with developments and trends across the sector.

Related Parties and Transactions

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated. No internal loans were made to the members of the governing body. Clear policies and processes are in place for managing such transactions and full disclosure is made in the financial statements. All advances provided to employees are made on the understanding that they will be repaid through regular payroll deductions. Outstanding balances resulting from such transactions are disclosed in the full Financial Statements.

See note 5 and 11 in the full Financial Statement.

Financial Summary

Although many Australian households and businesses have grappled with the mounting challenges posed by the rising cost of living, ADRA Australia has demonstrated remarkable resilience, standing firm in a robust financial position, as exemplified by the Financial Statements for the fiscal year 2023-24 featured within this comprehensive annual report. ADRA's ability to navigate these challenges and maintain its financial stability is a testament to its prudent management and strategic foresight.

Revenue

ADRA Australia's overall revenue increased by \$7.7mil (28.0%) in 2023-24 to \$35.1mil compared to \$27.4mil in 2022-23. This is largely driven by the incorporation of several National Programs activities.

Details of the Income Statement are as follows:

- Donations and gifts – cash donations and gifts decreased by \$286k (-3.9%). Considering mounting challenges posed by the rising cost of living, this was as expected and a satisfactory result.
- ADRA was again blessed with generous bequests in 2023-24. There was an increase compared to 2022-23.
- Non-monetary (international) income from donated goods and services increased by \$1.3mil due to Open Heart International recommencing their project activities post COVID-19 restrictions.
- Non-monetary (national) income from donated goods increased by \$4.0mil (36.0%) for national projects due to increased demand for community and emergency relief services as a result of the mounting challenges posed by the rising cost of living.
- Grants from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade decreased by \$660k (-13.1%) to \$4.4mil in 2023-24 compared to \$5.0mil in 2022-23.
- Other income increased by \$3.5mil in 2023-24 to \$3.8mil compared to \$363k in 2022-23 due to the incorporation of several National Programs activities.
- Investment income increased by \$406k in 2023-24 to \$1.3mil compared to \$885k in 2022-23 due to the improvement of the cash interest rate.

Expenditure

ADRA Australia's overall expenditure increased by \$6.7mil (24.8%) in 2023-24 to \$33.5mil compared to \$26.8mil in 2022-23.

International Programs:

- Funds to international projects decreased by \$256k (-2.8%) compared to 2022-23.
- Community education costs decreased by \$58k (-12.9%) compared to 2022-23.
- Fundraising costs increased by \$23k (3.1%) compared to 2022-23.
- Accountability and administration costs increased by \$566k (38.5%) largely due to filling several vacant positions as well as recommencing travel post COVID-19 restrictions.
- Non-monetary expenditure (international programs) increased by \$1.3mil due to Open Heart International recommencing their project activities post COVID-19 restrictions.

National Programs:

- National programs expenditure increased by \$6.4 million (42.5%) due to the incorporation of several National Programs activities and an increased demand on community and emergency relief services as a result of the mounting challenges posed by the rising cost of living.

The financial highlights are an extract from the full financial report for the year ended 30 June 2024, and should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements of Adventist Development and Relief Agency Australia Trust. Refer to acnc.gov.au for the full financial report.

FOR EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED THIS FINANCIAL YEAR



89 CENTS
went to projects
in Australia and
overseas



7 CENTS
went to
accountability and
administration



3 CENTS
went to
fundraising for
more resources



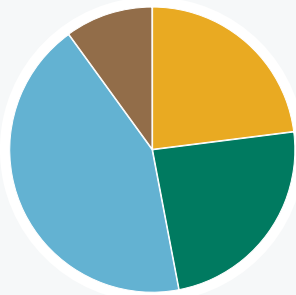
1 CENT
went to
community
education

Note: The ratios are expense items expressed as a percentage of total expenditure reported in the audited Comprehensive Income Statement

Financial Highlights FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

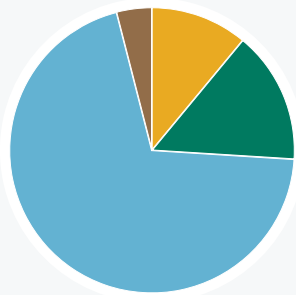
Where We've Helped

Total Program Expenditure - Monetary	Amount	Percentage
Africa & Asia Projects	\$2,951,539	23%
Pacific Projects	\$3,041,615	24%
Australia Projects	\$5,588,389	43%
Common Projects (all regions)	\$1,316,182	10%
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENDITURE	\$12,897,725	100%



Total Program Expenditure - Monetary and Non-Monetary	Amount	Percentage
Africa & Asia Projects	\$3,254,593	11%
Pacific Projects	\$4,330,427	15%
Australia Projects	\$20,840,423	70%
Common Projects (all regions)	\$1,324,996	4%
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENDITURE	\$29,750,439	100%

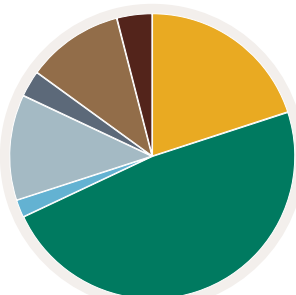
Note: The ratios are program expenses expressed as a percentage of total expenditure less fundraising, accountability and administration costs as reported in the audited Comprehensive Income Statement



How We Are Supported

Total Revenue	Amount	Percentage
Donations & Gifts	\$6,977,755	20%
Donations & Gifts (non-monetary)	\$16,852,714	48%
Bequests and Legacies	\$665,321	2%
Grants - DFAT	\$4,380,553	12%
Grants - Other	\$1,007,006	3%
Other Income	\$3,942,484	11%
Investment Income	\$1,290,898	4%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$35,116,731	100%

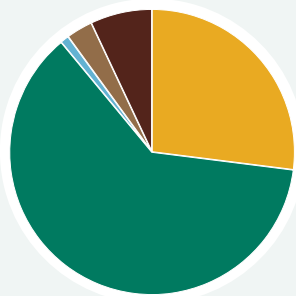
Note: The ratios are revenue items expressed as a percentage of total revenue reported in the audited Comprehensive Income Statement



Use of Funds

Total Expenditure	Amount	Percentage
International Projects	\$8,910,015	27%
National Projects	\$20,840,424	62%
Community Education Costs	\$392,566	1%
Fundraising Costs	\$1,100,375	3%
Accountability and Administration Costs	\$2,242,589	7%
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$33,485,969	100%

Note: The ratios are expense items expressed as a percentage of total expenditure reported in the audited Comprehensive Income Statement



Statement of Profit or Loss FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

REVENUE	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Donations and gifts		
Monetary	6,977,755	7,264,102
Non-monetary (International)	1,600,681	257,530
Non-monetary (National)	15,252,033	11,213,173
Bequests and Legacies	665,321	279,605
Grants		
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)	4,380,553	5,041,173
Other National	975,366	1,128,008
Other International	31,640	880,820
Appropriations received	113,854	113,854
Other income	3,828,630	362,602
Investment income	1,290,898	884,629
TOTAL REVENUE	\$35,116,731	\$27,425,496

EXPENDITURE	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
International Aid and Development Program Expenditure		
International Projects		
Funds to international projects	6,461,038	7,964,257
Program support costs	848,296	943,818
Non-monetary expenditure	1,600,681	257,530
Community education costs	392,566	450,729
Fundraising costs		
Public	753,673	732,058
Government, multilateral and private	23,700	22,050
Accountability and administration costs	2,035,030	1,469,363
Total International Aid and Development Program Expenditure	\$12,114,984	\$11,839,804
National Programs Expenditure		
Funds to national projects	20,840,424	14,494,176
Fundraising costs	323,002	313,739
Accountability and administration costs	207,559	187,729
Total National Programs Expenditure	\$21,370,985	\$14,995,644
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	\$33,485,969	\$26,835,448
EXCESS or (DEFICIT) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE	\$1,630,762	\$590,048

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct. For further information on the Code, please refer to the ACFID website www.acfid.asn.au

Statement of Financial Position AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

ASSETS	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	29,661,237	25,726,743
Trade and other receivables	431,726	194,777
Inventories	121,248	52,231
Other current assets	172,585	513,991
Total Current Assets	\$30,386,796	\$26,487,742
Non-Current Assets		
Right of use assets	106,424	0
Property, plant and equipment	666,458	41,368
Intangible assets	7,696	0
Total Non-Current Assets	780,578	41,368
TOTAL ASSETS	\$31,167,374	\$26,529,110

LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	706,641	313,058
Contact Liabilities	189,175	342,978
Lease Liabilities	50,712	0
Short-term provisions	527,387	505,399
Total Current Liabilities	\$1,473,915	\$1,161,435
Non-Current Liabilities		
Lease Liabilities	59,143	0
Long-term provisions	109,004	125,203
Total Non-Current Liabilities	\$168,147	\$125,203
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,642,062	\$1,286,638
NET ASSETS	\$29,525,312	\$25,242,472

EQUITY		
Reserves	3,918,371	3,071,446
Funds available for future use	25,606,941	22,171,026
TOTAL EQUITY	\$29,525,312	\$25,242,472

Statement of Changes in Equity AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

	Retained Earnings	Reserves	Total
Balance as at 1 July 2023	22,171,027	3,071,445	25,242,472
Retained earnings from National Program Activities	2,652,077	-	2,652,077
Total comprehensive surplus for the year	1,630,762	-	1,630,762
Transfers to and from reserves	(846,925)	846,925	-
BALANCE AS AT 30 JUNE 2024	\$25,606,941	\$3,918,370	\$29,525,311

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Trustees of Adventist Development and Relief Agency Australia Trust

Report on the audit of the summary financial report

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Opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying financial summary, which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2024, and the Statement of Changes in Equity and the Statement of Profit or Loss for the year ended 30 June 2024, derived from the audited financial report of Adventist Development and Relief Agency Australia Trust for the year ended 30 June 2024 is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial report.

Summary Financial Statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial report and the auditor's report thereon. The summary financial statements and the audited financial report do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on the audited financial report.

Management's responsibility for the summary financial statements

The Directors of the Trustee Company are responsible for the preparation of the summary financial report.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

We expressed an unmodified audit report on the financial report in our report dated 19 November 2024.

Auditor's responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial report based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Auditing Standard ASA 810 *Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements*.



Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd
Chartered Accountants



A G Rigele
Partner – Audit & Assurance

Sydney, 19 November 2024

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Corporate Information

Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) Australia Ltd.
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Incorporation and Charitable Status:

- Public company limited by guarantee under the Corporations Act.
- Registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission.

Tax Concessions and Fundraising

- Public Benevolent Institution (PBI) and endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office as:
- A Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR).
- An Income Tax Exempt Charity (holding tax concessions and exemptions relating to income, goods and services, and fringe benefits taxes).
- Operates an Overseas Aid Fund and Necessitous Persons Fund, endorsed as DGRs.
- Fundraises throughout Australia and registered under fundraising legislation as required.

Accreditations

ADRA Australia has full accreditation with the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. The stringent accreditation process provides the Australian Government and Australian public with the confidence that ADRA is a professional, well-managed, community-based organisation capable of delivering successful development outcomes. ADRA acknowledges the funds, care and support of the Australian Government to see positive change through our work together.

ADRA Australia is a full member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID). As a signatory to the voluntary, self-regulatory ACFID Code of Conduct, we are committed to conducting our work with transparency, accountability and integrity.

ADRA Australia is also a signatory to the Fundraising Institute of Australia (FIA) Code of Conduct.

Feedback and Complaints

Feedback on this report and our work more generally can be sent to info@adra.org.au. All feedback will be acknowledged and responses given.

Complaints relating to a breach of the ACFID Code of Conduct can be made to our Complaints Officer by emailing complaints.officer@adra.org.au.

Safeguarding

ADRA Australia personnel are expected at all times to act to protect the interests of children and vulnerable adults and to prevent the occurrence of sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment in the course of their duties. This includes ensuring strict compliance with ADRA Australia's Child Protection Policy and Preventing Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment (PSEAH) Policy and relevant guidelines.

Complaints relating to a breach of ADRA's Preventing Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment Policy can be made to our Safeguarding Officer by emailing safeguarding@adra.org.au.

About this Annual Report

This report covers our work and performance during the 2023-24 financial year. It has been prepared in response to specific legal requirements and the ACFID Code of Conduct.

This Annual Report is just one of the ways we strive to meet our accountability obligations to all our stakeholders, including our partners and supporters. We believe transparency and accountability are crucial to what we do and vital to achieving our mission in a sustainable manner.





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