



ANNUAL REPORT 2016-2017

I will give thanks to you, LORD, with
all my heart; I will tell of all your
wonderful deeds.

– Psalm 9:1



Restoring hope and life.
Together.

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A young girl with short dark hair is smiling and looking towards the camera. She is standing behind a wooden stall that is covered with various fresh vegetables, including large green cucumbers and leafy greens. A yellow plastic bag is also visible on the stall. In the background, there is a rustic wooden structure and a red cloth hanging. The scene is set outdoors, and it is raining heavily, with raindrops visible in the air. The text "WHO we are" is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font.

WHO
we are

A group of smiling children in a crowd, with a red dotted line graphic.

WE ARE *WorldShare*

In the *slums* of the **Philippines**.
In the *rock quarries* of **India**.
In the *hospitals* of
Democratic Republic of Congo.
In the **darkness** and *silence*.

In the places where hope
has gone, that's
where we are.

Together we will see
lives transformed, as people
connect to love like Jesus.



Our vision:

Lives transformed as people
connect to love like Jesus



Our mission:

Restoring hope and life. Together.

Message from the Chair



Stuart Harris
Board Chair

It is a great privilege to be handed the WorldShare Chair baton by Gerald Thomas, a man I respect greatly. I am grateful for Gerald's integrity and service throughout his tenure.

I first came across WorldShare in 2009 through a community partnership between residents of Manly and the city of Manado, Indonesia, facilitated by WorldShare's ministry partner Bridge of Hope. Thus, began a personal journey of supporting people in need. Years later, I had the privilege of publishing a book about another of WorldShare's ministry partners, HEAL Africa. So inspired was I by their work of bringing physical and spiritual healing to the most vulnerable communities in the Democratic Republic of Congo that I accepted a position to serve on the Board soon after.

Worldshare has a fascinating history and an exciting opportunity ahead. Last financial year, our Board grew significantly. We welcomed Jo Armstrong, John Lamerton, Peter Leau, Victoria Lee, Krystal Navez-John, Sandy Rogers and Craig Wilson to the Board. Their presence on the Board brings valuable experience and additional resourcing to WorldShare. It is my pleasure to lead a Board so committed to facilitating good

governance and placing the organisation on a solid footing for years ahead. The Board has already been effective in reviewing and revising WorldShare's vision and mission, its Constitution and legal structure and I look forward to working with them further in the coming year.

As we celebrate the achievements of the past year, I am reminded of the unique role WorldShare plays and am excited for what lies ahead. There is no doubt that we will face some big challenges in the future as we seek to align our work with our vision and mission. Yet our CEO is optimistic and has great vision. Our staff are enthusiastic and highly skilled. Our partners are inspiring and doing wonderful work. Our supporters are loyal and committed to making a difference. We serve an awesome God who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine. What a joy and a blessing for me to serve alongside these people and for our great God! I look forward to meeting and getting to know the many wonderful supporters and partners who make our work possible.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SJH' followed by a long horizontal stroke.

Stuart
Board Chair

Message from the CEO



Joanna Mansfield
Chief Executive Officer

In the past year, WorldShare continued to connect Australians to our overseas ministry partners, restoring and transforming lives around the world. But it hasn't been a business-as-usual type of year to say the least. It has been a year of reflection and change. Change and evolution is an important aspect of any viable organisation, particularly in our sector, and I am delighted to look back on the progress throughout the year and see the direction in which WorldShare is tracking.

One of the most significant changes is the renewed vision and mission for WorldShare. Thank you to the Board, staff and our supporters who have walked with WorldShare to review and firmly take hold of our unique calling and strengths. WorldShare has a long history of joining people in Australia with partner organisations who reflect the love of Christ in their work with communities around the world. Our vision is to see lives transformed as people connect to love like Jesus. His life is our example in caring for those on the margins of society, hence our mission "Restoring hope and life. Together." Our renewed vision and mission, together with a revised Constitution, gives us revitalised focus and direction. Our new Board members are also bringing new energy and innovation in the Board's governance and oversight role.

During the year, we have also worked closely with our partner organisations, introducing new structures and processes to ensure greater accountability and

impact in the countries in which we work. In Australia, we started projects to revolutionise our supporter management systems, create a new website and select new premises for our office in Sydney.

Not all changes have been easy. In February, we made the difficult decision to close our office in Melbourne and farewell long-standing team members. While this was a difficult time, it happened within the context of a clear plan of the changes necessary to strengthen WorldShare and set us up for sustainability and growth.

When I took up the reigns of WorldShare under God last year, I felt a clear mandate from the parable of the talents, that the Board and I are bestowed with an incredible treasure in WorldShare and we are accountable in our investment of this treasure. Investment is not passive. It requires wisdom, courage, work and faith. The road ahead will not be easy and we anticipate revenue challenges as we devote ourselves firmly to this stage of change and foundation-strengthening for our partners and programs overseas. However, I am filled with excitement to see what God will do in the years to come as we invest in WorldShare in this new season. May He be glorified in everything.

Thank you for walking with WorldShare, and for your belief that together we will see lives transformed as we connect to love like Jesus.

Together in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanna Mansfield'.

Joanna
Chief Executive Officer

A young boy with short dark hair, wearing a light-colored short-sleeved button-down shirt and dark blue shorts, stands in the foreground holding a brown and white speckled chicken. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is a blurred outdoor setting featuring a building with a reddish-brown roof and several other people, some of whom appear to be in school uniforms. The overall scene suggests a rural or developing area. The text "MAKING AN impact" is overlaid on the right side of the image, with "MAKING AN" in bold white uppercase letters and "impact" in a white lowercase script font.

MAKING AN
impact



1,042

children sponsored



1,194

*educated through
programs outside child
sponsorship*



460

*individuals received skills
and vocational training*



4,349

*patients provided
healthcare*



13,580

*reached through
spiritual ministry*

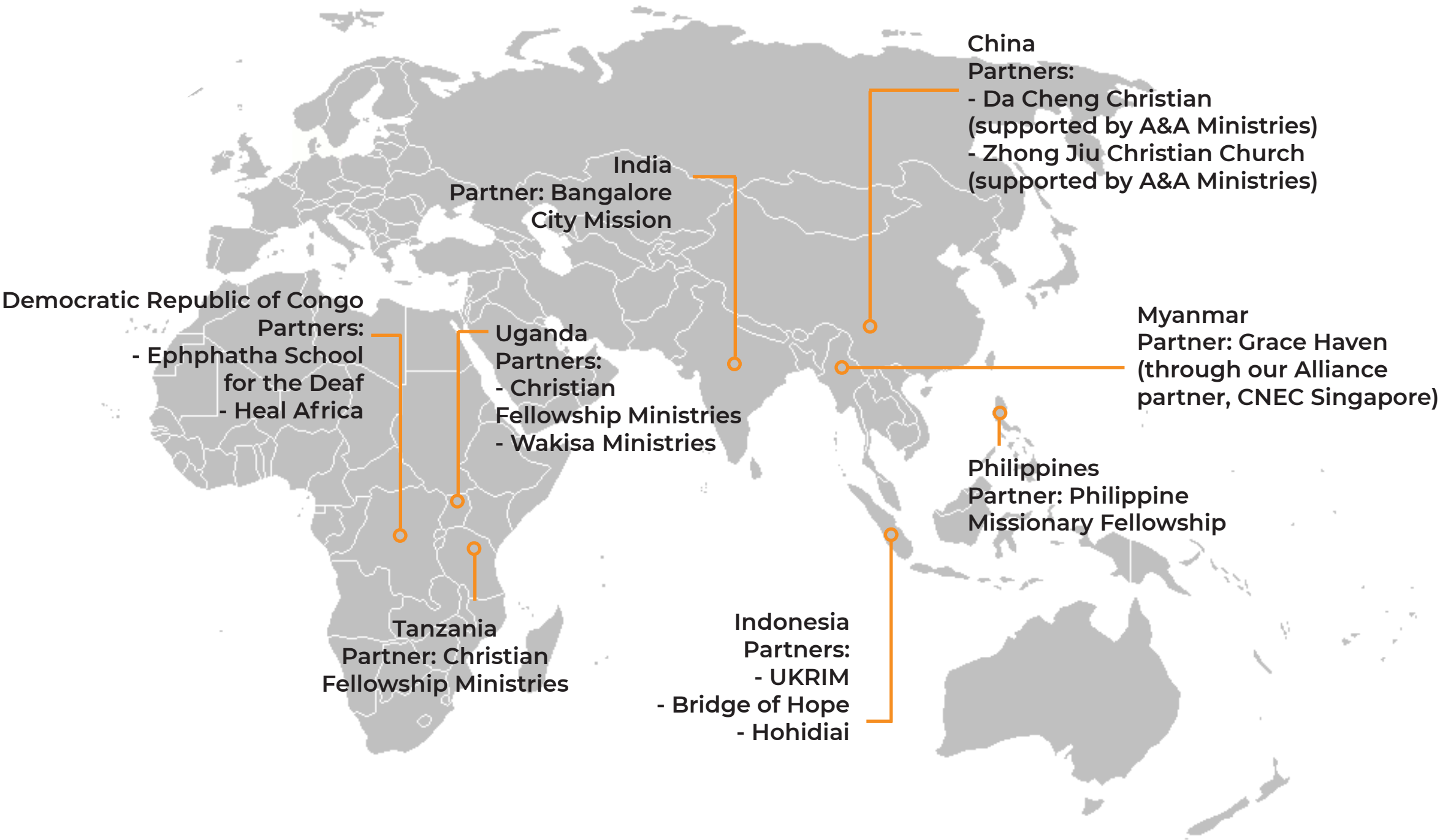


3,109

*people supported
through livelihood
projects*



OUR LOCAL *ministry partners*



Across the world there are millions of people in desperate need of social, physical and spiritual transformation.

WorldShare partners with local Christian organisations who are working in the neediest parts of the world, in places where there is no safety net for the outcast and forgotten. Marginalisation can be due to many factors, including disability and medical needs, age, sexual abuse, ethnic background or marital status. For these people, marginalisation doesn't just mean living on the fringes - it can mean no medical care, no chance of education, no protection from abuse and exploitation... and no hope.

During his time on earth, our Lord Jesus Christ sought out the outcast and forgotten - and he loved them. We believe every person is made in the image of God & has the right to respect and dignity, and to experience the love of God.

Currently, WorldShare has 11 direct partnerships with local Christian organisations in 7 countries throughout East Africa and Asia. Through our global alliance network we are partnering with 161 organisations in 56 countries.



Our Community

The WorldShare community is a diverse and passionate group of people coming together to share God's love around the world. Together we will see lives transformed as people connect to love like Jesus.

Your *support* in 2017

1,905

people attended WorldShare events to meet John Wandera on his visit to Australia

1,566

Australians supported our programs through a financial gift

1,000

supporters contributed monthly gifts towards our work in Africa & Asia



SHORT TERM TEAMS

In June 2017, a group of 15 eager WorldShare supporters embarked on a Short Term Mission trip to Yogyakarta, Indonesia. They were to participate in the annual LAMP Camp, at UKRIM University, running daily English classes for approximately 125 UKRIM students and staff. The week-long camp also aims to support participants through their spiritual journeys. Teachers and students worshipped together, enjoyed lively English conversations, energetic games as well as partaking in singing and dancing.

Each year WorldShare sends teams of people to spend time with our Ministry Partners; encouraging them, providing skilled support and training, and working together to transform and restore lives. We will continue to provide opportunities for people to serve God and our worldwide community.





VISIT FROM UGANDA

In May 2017 we were delighted to host Pastor John Wandera from our Ministry Partner, Christian Fellowship Ministries, in Uganda. John spent time travelling around Australia meeting with WorldShare supporters and sharing the transformation that their support is helping to bring about.

Thank you to all of our supporters who hosted John in their homes or who helped host events.



John Wandera with one of our Australian hosts, the Harrison family



Our
work



According to the World Health Organisation, 360 million people, 10% of them children, suffer from hearing loss so disabling that activities most people take for granted are a daily struggle.

Hearing-impaired children are unlikely to attend school. Those who do attend school struggle to hear their teachers and often fail to get good grades. They grow up without a proper education and have difficulty finding work as adults. People who suffer from hearing loss are also at increased risk of physical, social, emotional and sexual abuse. They are often shunned by their families and communities, becoming isolated. As a result many suffer from mental health problems such as depression, anxiety, and low self-esteem, as well as crippling poverty.

With our Ministry Partner, we are working to provide a safe haven for people with hearing loss, facilitate access to education and teach vocational skills to enable these marginalised groups to enjoy a safe and secure future.



FEATURED PROJECT: Medical Centre for the Deaf **Ephphatha Centre for the Deaf, Democratic Republic of Congo**

Our partner provides specialised medical care for deaf people who would otherwise struggle to access medical care in mainstream clinics. Early treatment intervention and audiometry assists people with hearing impairment to be able to manage their disability and be included in society.

We believe loving like Jesus means transforming the lives of the hearing impaired in DRC.



LOCAL PARTNER



**Ephphatha Centre for the Deaf,
Democratic Republic of Congo**



DISPLACEMENT & ETHNIC EXCLUSION

The number of people forcibly displaced as a result of persecution, conflict, generalised violence and human rights violations stands at an unprecedented 65.3 million globally. Often these displaced groups also face ethnic exclusion, as they are systematically blocked from rights, opportunities, and resources that are normally available to members of society and that are key to social integration. Whilst the causes of displacement and ethnic exclusion vary from country to country, they are characterised by repression and an inability of marginalised ethnic groups to participate fully in the normal relationships and activities available to the majority of people in a society.

From the Democratic Republic of Congo to China, Worldshare works to provide spiritual care, security, education, health and economic livelihoods to these marginalised communities.



FEATURED PROJECT: Educating minority Yao children **Zhong Jiu Christian Church (mentored by A&A Ministries), Guangxi, China**

Zhong Jiu Christian Church works mainly with the Yao minority groups. The Yao are predominantly mountain-dwelling farmers, with an average annual income below \$100 who face exclusion and disadvantage in China. Our partner's sponsorship program ensures that children are able to receive an education and community development projects can be implemented to benefit the whole community.

We believe loving like Jesus means transforming the lives of minorities and the displaced.



LOCAL PARTNERS



**Zhong Jiu Christian Church
(supported by A&A Ministries),
Guangxi, China**



**Heal Africa,
Democratic Republic
of Congo**



**Da Cheng Christian Church
(supported by A&A Ministries),
Yanbian, China**



ABUSE & NEGLECT OF GIRLS & WOMEN

Whilst global attention has turned to improving the position of girls and women in recent years, a cursory glance at current social indicators paints an alarming picture. Women make up approximately 70 percent of the world's poor. Two-thirds of people unable to read and write are female. More than 11.4 million girls and women are in forced labour. One in three girls and women experience physical and sexual violence. Approximately 15 million girls marry before the age of 18 each year – the equivalent of one every 2 seconds. This deep-rooted discrimination creates a bleak outlook for girls and women, who continue to need support to overcome multiple barriers to their safety and well-being. For many, it is often those closest to them who work against their interests.

We work alongside our ministry partnerships and their local communities, we work to not only provide education and health but to help provide girls and women with important livelihood opportunities that enable them to play a role in freeing their communities from poverty. There

is compelling evidence that when women are healthy and educated, their families will be too. And when women earn money, they invest it in the health and education of their children and families, helping to end the cycle of poverty.



FEATURED PROJECT: Vocational training of women **Bangalore City Mission, India**

Women face gender inequality in India, and are frequently disadvantaged in finding employment and being able to earn a living for their families. Our partner Bangalore City Mission provides women with vocational skills, empowering women. Training is provided in the areas of sewing, business administration, numeracy and literacy, and office administration.

We believe loving like Jesus means transforming the lives of neglected and abused girls and women.



LOCAL PARTNERS



**Wakisa Ministries,
Uganda**



**Bangalore City Mission,
India**



**Christian Fellowship Ministries,
Uganda**



EXPLOITATION

More than 200 million children today are trapped in child labour, with an estimated 120 million of these engaged in hazardous work. In the least developed countries, this translates to nearly one in four children engaged in labour that is considered detrimental to their health and development. Poverty perpetuates the exploitative practice of child labour and child labour in turn perpetuates poverty, depriving children of an education and leaving them without the skills needed to secure a future of themselves and their communities. Many parents in impoverished countries push their children into work out of necessity, unable to sustain their families on their own incomes.

We believe every child deserves the opportunity to have a childhood. With our our partners and their local communities, we work to support access to education and healthcare, protection from harm and abuse and to provide vocational skills that allow children and their parents an opportunity to live lives that are free from exploitation.



FEATURED PROJECT: Educating Children at risk of Exploitation **Bangalore City Mission, India**

This project provides free education to 377 children from the poorest areas of Bangalore. These children typically come from families whose parents work in rock-cutting quarries, and face a life of exploitation and danger. Our partner helps to keep these children in school, avoiding exploitation due to a lack of education or options. Bangalore City Mission also provides medical camps for these children's communities.

We believe loving like Jesus means protecting and transforming the lives of the exploited.



LOCAL PARTNERS



**Wakisa Ministries,
Uganda**



**Bangalore City Mission,
India**



MEDICAL NEEDS

The most vulnerable patients requiring medical help are unable to afford the cost due to poverty and other associated factors. Often they have to make harsh choices – knowingly putting their health at risk because they cannot see their children go hungry. The cost of doctors’ fees, a course of drugs and transport to reach a health centre can be devastating, both for the individual and their relatives who need to care for them or help them reach and pay for treatment. In the worst cases, the burden of illness may mean that families sell their property, take children out of school to earn a living or even start begging, perpetuating a vicious cycle that leaves their medical needs unmet.

WorldShare supports the design and implementation of programs that respond to the health needs of the poor and marginalised. Better health is not only central to human happiness and well-being, it also makes an important contribution to community development.



FEATURED PROJECT: Medical Mercy Fund Heal Africa, Democratic Republic of Congo

Heal Africa is a beacon of hope in a region devastated by ongoing conflict and poverty. The Medical Mercy Fund covers medical and associated expenses such as transport for the most vulnerable patients of Heal Africa hospital, who frequently either live in remote areas or are internally displaced and unable to afford medical care.

We believe loving like Jesus means transforming the lives of those with severe medical needs.



LOCAL PARTNERS



Hohidiai, Indonesia



Christian Fellowship Ministries, Uganda



Heal Africa, Democratic Republic of Congo



ORPHANHOOD & VULNERABLE CHILDHOODS

The HIV/AIDS pandemic, famines, natural disasters, chronic poverty, ongoing conflicts, and civil wars have jeopardised the health, safety and survival of children globally, with more than 143,000,000 estimated to be orphans. The vast majority of these children live in the developing regions of sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean. An additional number of children are highly vulnerable due to factors such as disability. Orphans and vulnerable children face numerous risks, including exploitation, stigma and poor health and educational outcomes.

At Worldshare we support child-centered, family-focused, community-based programs that help extended families and local communities to meet the basic needs of orphans and vulnerable children by providing food, health care, including treatment of children living with HIV/AIDS, education expenses, and clothing.



FEATURED PROJECT: Support for Children from squatter families **Philippine Missionary Fellowship Elizabeth Academy, Philippines**

There are over 127,852 squatter families living in slum, conditions in metro Manila, in a desperate struggle for survival. Our partner assists children from squatter families, ensuring that the children can receive formal education, and have their medical costs provided for.

We believe loving like Jesus means transforming the lives of orphans and vulnerable children.



LOCAL PARTNERS



**Christian Fellowship Ministries,
Uganda**



**Philippine Missionary
Fellowship,
Philippines**



**Bangalore City Mission,
India**



**Heal Africa,
Democratic Republic
of Congo**

A photograph of a traditional wooden building with two children looking out of the windows. The building is made of dark, weathered wood with multiple windows. Two children, a girl on the left and a boy on the right, are both wearing pink shirts and red scarves. The girl on the left is sticking her tongue out and smiling, while the boy on the right is looking out the window with a slight smile. The text "OUR finances" is overlaid in the center of the image.

OUR *finances*

OUR FINANCES

For over 70 years, we have worked in the most challenging regions by resourcing, enabling and encouraging our Ministry Partners to bring ongoing spiritual, physical and social transformation to their own people. We take seriously our responsibility to ensure donations are used for their intended purpose and that the projects we support have a positive impact on their beneficiaries. Regular program monitoring and evaluation form part of our commitment to due diligence. We're transparent with our finances and are audited every year to ensure our financial processes are robust, accurate and consistent.

We provide technical assistance, specialised training and monitoring and guidance to our Ministry Partners, to strengthen their ability to serve their people and to support them to continue to improve and develop over time. We continually monitor and evaluate each project to determine its impact and effectiveness. This involves reporting on a financial and project basis, regularly visiting project sites, annually conducting field office and partner audits, and conducting formal evaluations of the project.

In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in Heaven.

– Matthew 5:16



Balance Sheet

As at 30 June 2017

Current Assets

	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Cash and Cash Equivalents	569,539	298,104
Investments	1,073,605	1,071,938
Other Current Assets	58,137	434
Total Currents Assets	1,701,280	1,370,477

Non-Current Assets

	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Property, Plant and Equipment	16,558	98,104
Total Non-Current Assets	16,558	98,104
Total Assets	1,717,839	1,468,580

Current Liabilities

	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Payables	31,577	15,780
Provisions	24,162	125,267
Total Current Liabilities	55,739	141,047

Non-Current Liabilities

	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Provisions	948	4,780
Total Liabilities	56,687	145,827
Net Assets	1,661,152	1,322,753

Accumulated Funds and Reserves

	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Accumulated Funds	847,635	846,631
Restricted Funds	813,517	476,122
	1,661,152	1,322,753

Income Statement

For the year ended 30 June 2017

Revenue

	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Donations and Gifts - overseas aid & development	1,958,533	2,002,289
Donations and Gifts - others overseas	286,284	718,802
Donations to Local Administration	2,141	2,085
Legacies and bequests	17	70,235
Other income	4,867	9,068
Total Revenue	2,251,843	2,802,478

Expenses

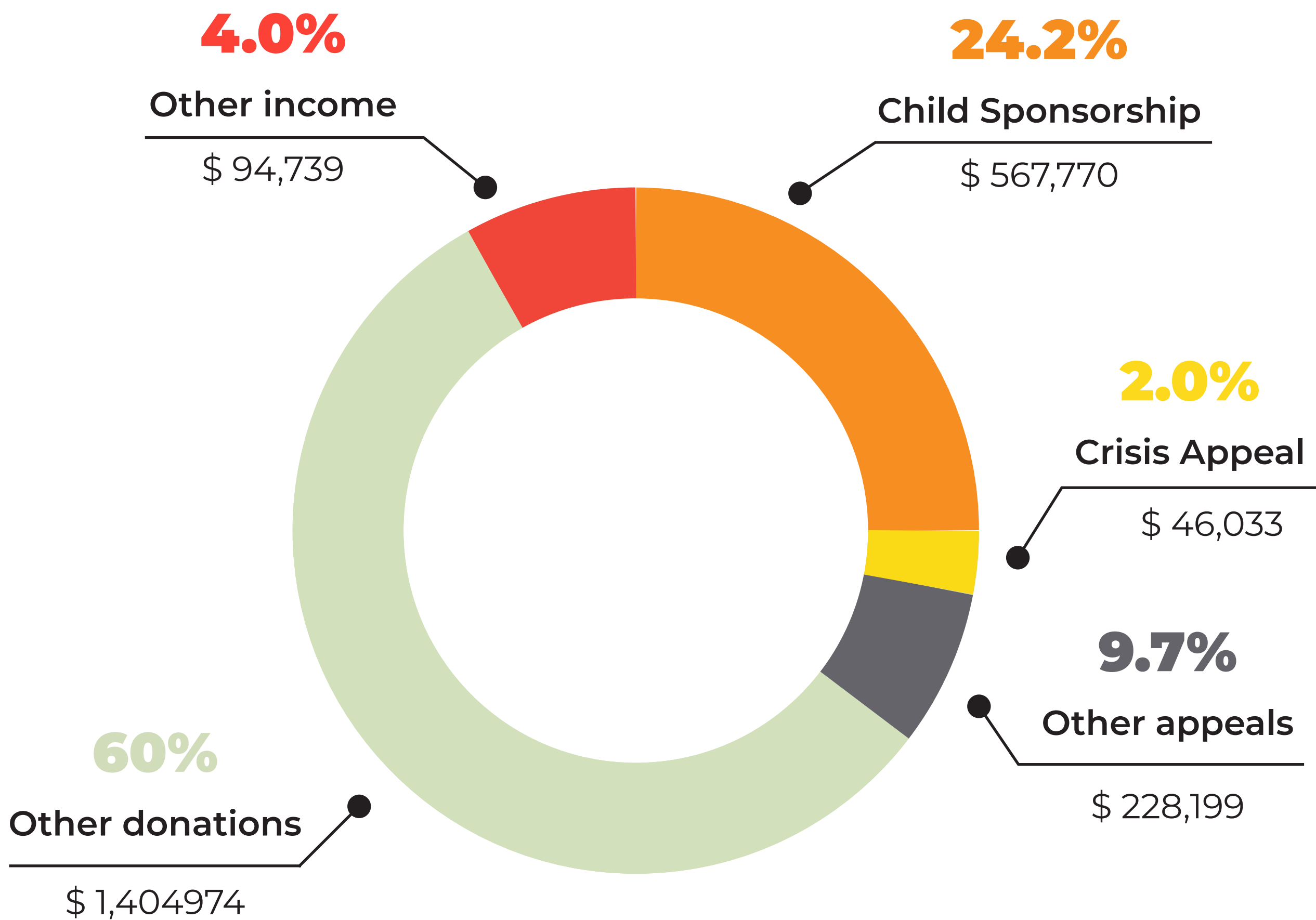
	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Overseas projects		
- Funds to overseas projects	1,340,323	1,710,425
- Project costs	357,338	390,915
Fundraising projects		
- Public	387,977	528,634
Administration	237,072	253,236
Total Expenses	2,340,710	2,883,210
Surplus (Deficit) for the year	(88,867)	(80,732)

Other Comprehensive Income

	2017 (\$)	2016 (\$)
Immediate write-Off for CRM & Website costs	-	(85,980)
Fair value adjustment of financial assets	89,872	12,397
Total comprehensive income for the year	1,004	(154,314)

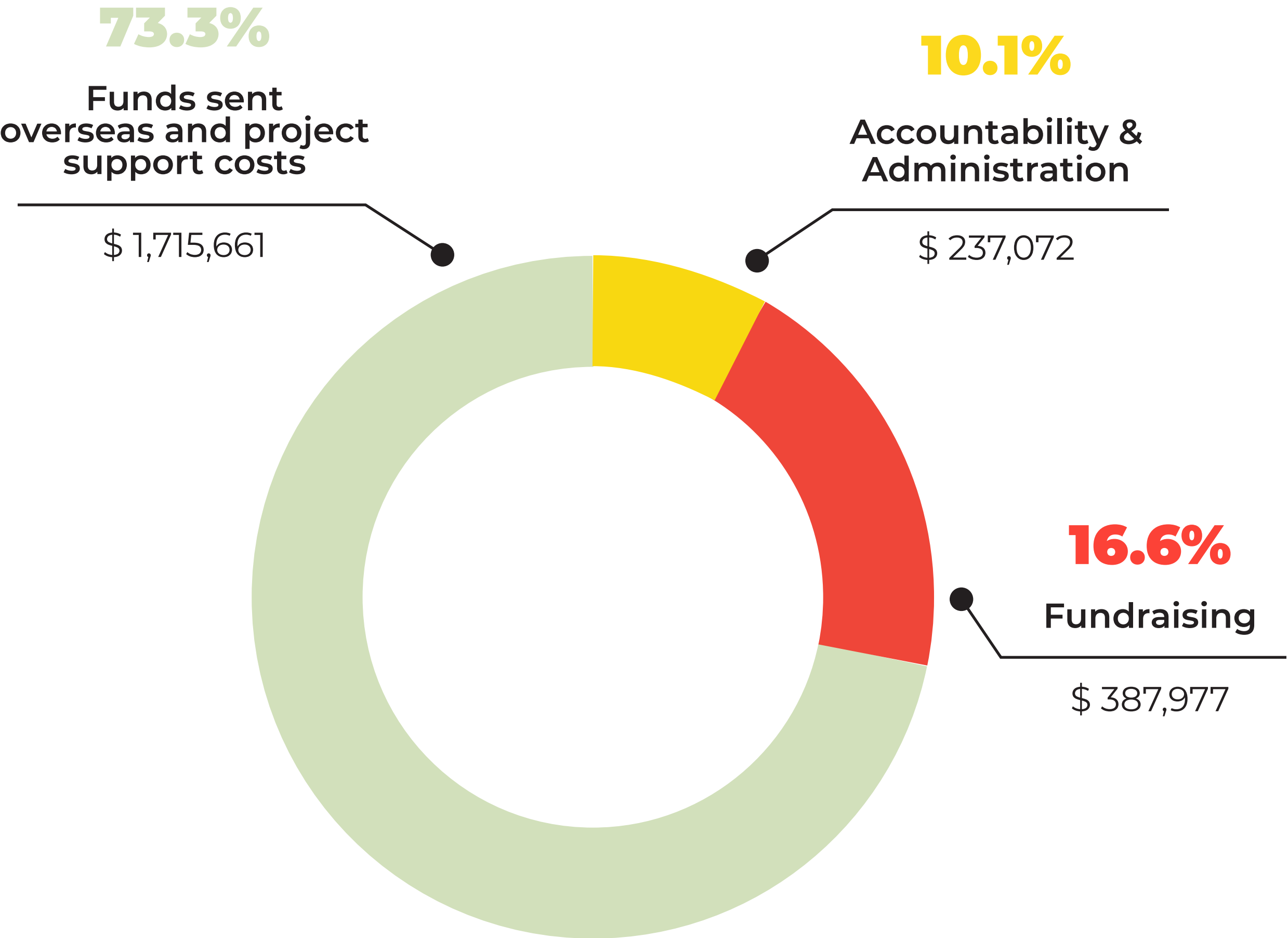


Where our support comes from





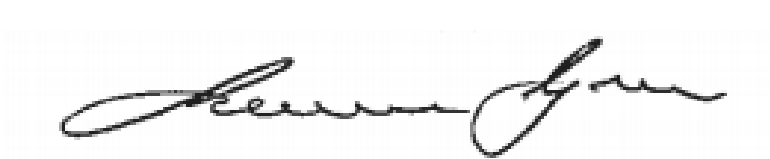
How our resources were used



Auditors opinion

To the Directors

We declare that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2017, there have been no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



Lawrence R Green FCA
Partner
Shedden and Green Partners
7th October 2014
Suite 28, 19-21 Central Road,
Miranda NSW 2228

Directors declaration

The directors of the Company declare that:

- 1. The financial statements and notes
 - (a) comply with the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012 including Accounting Standards; and
 - (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30th June 2017 and performance for the year ended on that date; and
- 2. The provisions of the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act and the conditions attached to the Authority to Fundraise have been complied with.
- 3. Internal Controls exercised by the Organisation are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied from any fundraising appeals.
- 4. In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Dated this the 19th day of September 2017.



Gerald Thomas
Chairman

Directors

- Mr Stuart Harris
(Chairman)
- Mr Joseph Bowes
- Mr Peter Leau
- Mr Craig Wilson
- Mr John Lamerton
- Ms Joanne Armstrong
- Ms Krystal L John
- Ms Victoria Lee
- Ms Alexandra E Rodgers
- Mr Gerald Thomas
(Outgoing Chairman,
resigned 21 October 2017)
- Ms Helen Allchurch
(resigned 22 October 2016)
- Mrs Joanna Mansfield
(resigned 20 August 2016)

