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Message from Our Executive Director

Dear Partner,

On a recent trip to Rwanda I had the honour of meeting Gaudence. She is the single mother of eight children, the youngest two of which are twins. When she became pregnant with the twins, her husband left her. Overwhelmed by the responsibility of feeding their large and growing family, her husband chose to leave rather than remain and watch his children suffer from hunger.

When Gaudence gave birth, one of the twins was much smaller than the other. Her daughter became so malnourished, Gaudence knows that she would have died if ADRA had not come along. ADRA taught Gaudence the importance of a balanced diet, how to grow her own food, and supported her in improving her family's sanitation and hygiene.

I cannot describe the feeling that came to me when I looked into the face of a healthy child who would have died if it wasn't for the work of ADRA. While the need is great, one of the most fulfilling things is knowing that we are making a

difference in the lives of hundreds of thousands of people every year. ADRA is highly regarded everywhere I visit, from the government to the community to the individual project participants.

In this Annual Report, you will read more stories of our impact around the world. This impact would not be possible without your compassionate support. It is with a grateful heart that I share this report with you. I hope the stories touch your heart as they have touched mine.

Thank you for joining us in this life-changing work. From all of us at ADRA and from our projects around the world, thank you!

Sincerely,

Stephen Matthews



“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”

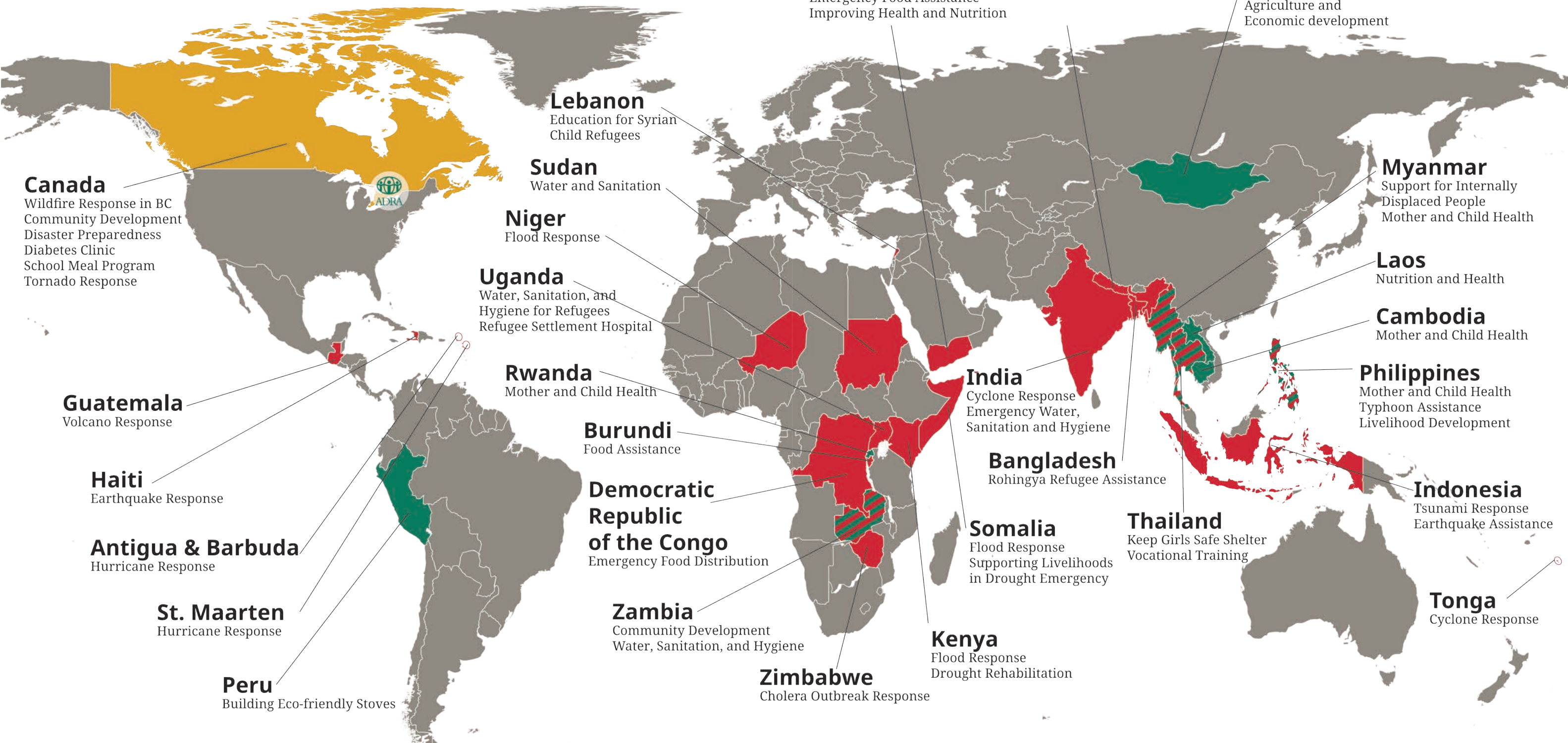
Luke 6:38 NIV



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Where We Work



■ **Development:** Improving lives
 ■ **Relief:** Saving lives
 ■ **Canadian Projects:** Improving lives at home

Statistics

28

COUNTRIES

45

RELIEF PROJECTS

15

DEVELOPMENT
PROJECTS

1,393,017

PEOPLE HELPED





Yemen

Hajj has peace knowing he was finally able to find help for his son.

Yemen is officially the country with the greatest humanitarian needs. The drawn-out conflict has gravely impacted the ability of hundreds of thousands of people to reach health services. Hospitals and clinics, severely damaged by the fighting, were no longer able to offer the critical care services needed by their communities.

To help meet this urgent need, ADRA began a project in one of the most affected areas to provide all health services, except surgeries. The project includes a referral system for patients in need of more urgent or complex care.

Hajj is a father living in Yemen.

“I have a lot of stories of suffering and misery. A few were in the past, but I was still suffering from some when I met ADRA,” Hajj shared.

When his son Najeeb broke his hand, Hajj didn’t know what to do. Travelling to the closest hospital required money for transportation, accommodation, food, and hospital expenses. Hajj didn’t have the money. He took Najeeb to a local orthopedist who conducted a basic surgery to set the broken bones. Hajj felt helpless as he listened to his son crying in pain, despite the surgery.

Then Hajj heard about a health centre that was providing basic services to his area. The health centre was a part of a project run by ADRA and funded by the Government of Canada. The doctor at the centre saw the severity of Najeeb’s injury and referred him to a specialized hospital. ADRA helped cover the expenses and Najeeb underwent two successful surgeries. Najeeb is recovering well and Hajj has peace knowing he was finally able to find help for his son.

Thank you for your kindness and support which make this work possible.



Rwanda

In Eric’s village in Rwanda, 40 children were malnourished. As the leader of the village, and a father of two young children, this deeply concerned him. Eric knew something had to be done.

When he learned about ADRA’s PROMISE project, he was keen to bring it to his village.

Eric was inspired by what he learned about the impact of a balanced diet and how to grow his own kitchen garden. He bought a plot in the centre of the village to plant a garden as an example to the rest of the village.

“You can say the kitchen garden is a school. When people from my village see me working in it, they usually stop to ask how I am planting this wide variety of fruits and vegetables. I then usually explain the garden is created so that they can replicate it in their homes.”

After two years of learning and practicing what they have learned from PROMISE, the cases of malnutrition in the village have dropped to two. Every household now has a kitchen garden.

The PROMISE project is working to reduce mother and child mortality through nutrition and agriculture training, hygiene and sanitation training and support, and strengthening families at the household level to understand, support, and help each member. The project, funded by the Government of Canada, is being implemented in Ghana, Malawi, and Rwanda through a partnership between Children Believe (formerly Christian Children’s Fund of Canada), Emmanuel International Canada, and ADRA.

Thanks to your committed support, communities like Eric’s have healthier children, stronger families, and a brighter future. Thank you!

“The changes that have been made will continue to multiply even beyond the life of the project.”



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Mongolia

In western Mongolia, the climate is very harsh. With short and dry summers, punishingly cold and long winters, and poor soil, growing anything is a challenge.

Building on an earlier project that taught community members to grow kitchen gardens at home, ADRA began the SAFE project. This project, co-funded by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, scaled up agricultural activities from the household level to a commercial level. ADRA organized the project participants into legally registered business cooperatives. Using permaculture techniques, the cooperatives have been farming large swaths of land given to them by the government. They sell the produce at the market and to private vendors. They have large cellars where they can store their produce until the prices are in their favour.

Bisara, a plucky 57-year-old, is a watchman. This job requires her to keep a sharp eye on her cooperative's fields of vegetables and herbs in western Mongolia. For her, that she has such a field to watch over is nothing short of miraculous.

After learning kitchen gardening from ADRA's earlier project, Bisara was excited to join the new project. Her kitchen garden at home was already providing enough food to meet her family of five's needs for the whole year. "I feel there's a big difference in my health," she says.

With the new project, she is earning an income to help support her family. "Who knows what my life would be like without the ADRA projects? When I compare to those not in the project, I know I am the lucky one. We're just grateful."

Thank you for making this sustainable work possible. It is truly changing lives!

Indonesia

Wasmin, her husband, her nine-year-old child, and her mother-in-law are cocoa farmers in Indonesia. The brunt of growing and harvesting the trees landed on Wasmin's shoulders when her husband Kanarudin developed a medical condition that left him unable to work. Though life was not easy, Wasmin was able to support her family.

Then, in September 2018, a catastrophic 7.5 earthquake struck. In a matter of minutes, the family lost their home and their livelihood. The quake liquified the soil, burying their cocoa plantation under meters of mud. Thankfully, their entire family survived the disaster.

In the immediate aftermath of the earthquake, Wasmin's family needed a safe place to live. At first they slept on the ground under an old billboard sign. Within a few weeks of the disaster, ADRA was able to give them a shelter kit. This shelter is much better at protecting them from the elements and providing a measure of safety. With a place to live, they are better able to tackle the challenges of rebuilding.

Thanks to your support, ADRA is able to meet the most pressing needs of those devastated by disasters. Thank you!



Photo: © 2019 ADRA | Michael Kirkby

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Philippines

“We will never forget the support that you have given us...may you never grow tired of helping people.”

Gigi was born and raised in a beautiful island village in the Camarines Sur area of the Philippines.

Being remote, getting health care requires a boat ride over choppy ocean waves. Many women opt to deliver their babies at home, risking complications and infections.

Gigi knows women who have lost their lives while giving life, something that should never happen.

ADRA’s EMBRACE project, funded by the Government of Canada, aims to reduce maternal and child mortality through group trainings in nutrition, permaculture, sanitation and hygiene, and health care for pregnant women and children. Amazed by all she was learning, Gigi soon became a leader in her group.

EMBRACE worked with the community to establish a community-based transportation system so that those needing to reach the health facility can be guaranteed a set, fair price.

EMBRACE is also building what is called a halfway home next to the health facility. This will host mothers who are due within a week to ensure that they can reach the health facility in time.

“We will never forget the support that you have given us,” she says. “We will treasure it for the rest of our lives. May you never grow tired of helping people.”

Thank you!



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Bangladesh

Mohamed was paid a fair wage which he took home to help support his family. He was happy to work for ADRA.

Mohamed had been a pharmacist and owned his own business. When the government forced him to surrender his identification card, his rights were immediately stripped of him, as well as his means of supporting his family. Soldiers came to his village and many were tortured and shot. Miraculously, Mohamed survived.

Mohamed is one of the million Rohingya people forced out of their homes, leaving behind the normal life they once knew. They now find themselves in refugee camps in Bangladesh, wondering what will happen next.

The refugees are exposed to overly crowded and unsanitary conditions where families live and children play close to stagnant wastewater pools. These pools are the source of many waterborne illnesses which are often fatal.

In partnership with ADRA Bangladesh and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, ADRA Canada worked to improve the lives of these refugees. To protect the people from life-threatening disease as well as to provide an opportunity for income, ADRA hired Mohamed and other refugees to construct safe pathways and waste drainage systems. Mohamed was paid a fair wage which he took home to help support his family. He was happy to work for ADRA and recruited other men whose families were in need of income.

It is thanks to your compassionate support that Rohingya refugees like Mohamed are offered income-paying work, as well as food, shelter, clean water, and cleaner environments. Thank you!



Nepal

After being hit by a 7.8 earthquake in 2015, the Karkidanda school in Nepal was severely damaged. Only three classrooms remained in use when a government team reviewed the school facilities. With limited funding available and one million students out of school as a result of the disaster, the remote school had little hope of government help to rebuild.

“During the day it was very windy,” shares Kripa, a 15-year old student of Karkidanda. “Stuff would get in our eyes. I would get hit by blowing leaves.” In order to continue with lessons, makeshift classrooms were built from wooden posts and thin metal sheets. These shelters provided a space for students to learn but wind blew leaves and dust into the students’ faces. The sun heated the metal roofs and sides, making the classrooms hot and extremely uncomfortable. It was hard for the children to concentrate when they could hear all of the other classes. Worst of all, the students found concentration difficult when they still feared another major earthquake.

ADRA believes in the power of education to lift people out of poverty and to set them on a path to a better future. When students do not have an adequate learning environment, their education and their futures are at stake.

Thanks to a very generous gift from a donor, ADRA received the funding needed to construct four new classrooms for the school, including a computer lab. The new classrooms were built with earthquake-resilient materials and techniques to help better protect the building against any future earthquakes.

“I enjoy studying in the new building,” says Kripa. “We extend our great thanks to the one who made this possible for us.”

The students of Karkidanda can now confidently apply themselves to their studies, feeling safe, protected, and supported.

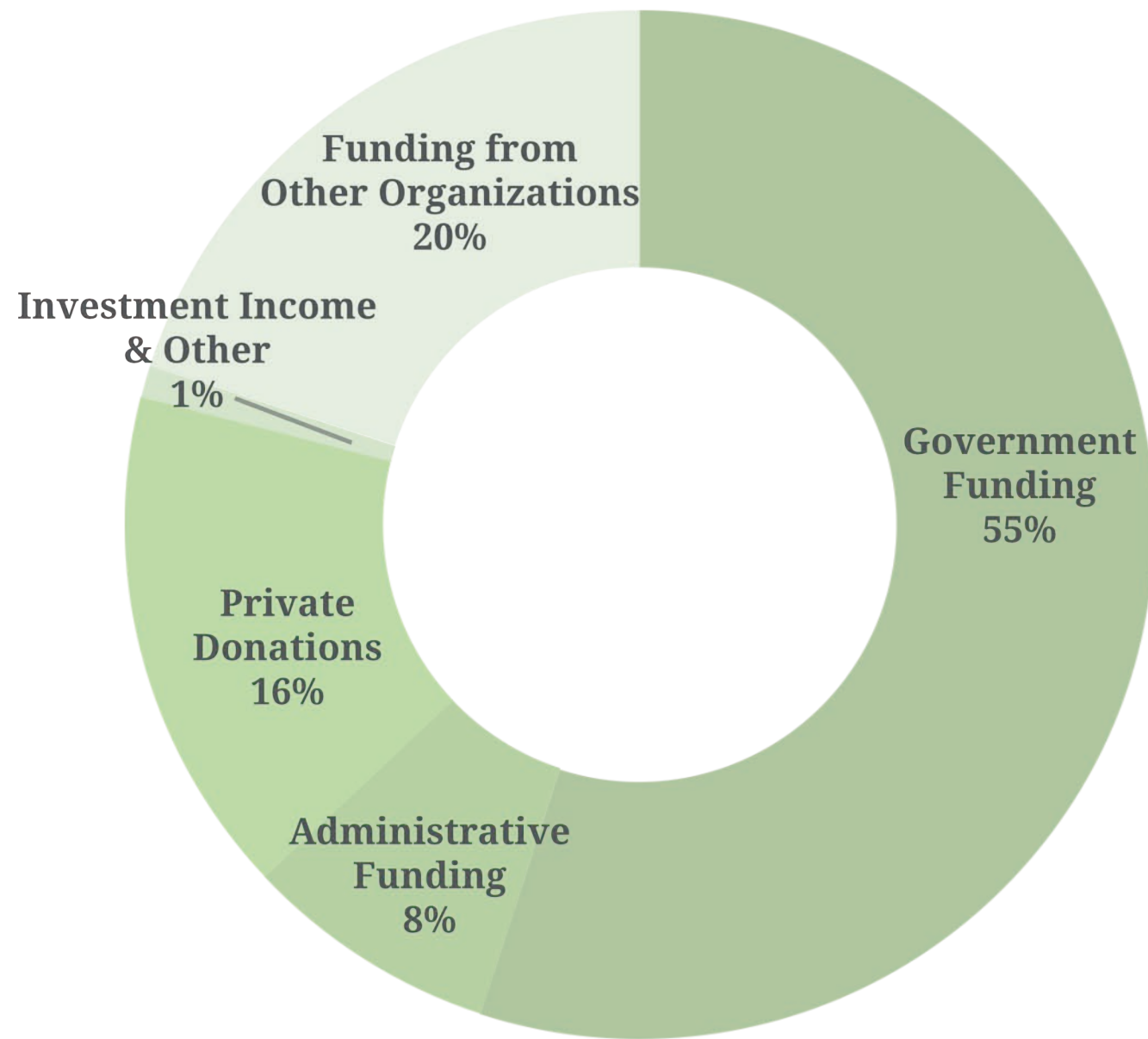


“Mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance.”

Jude 1:2 NIV

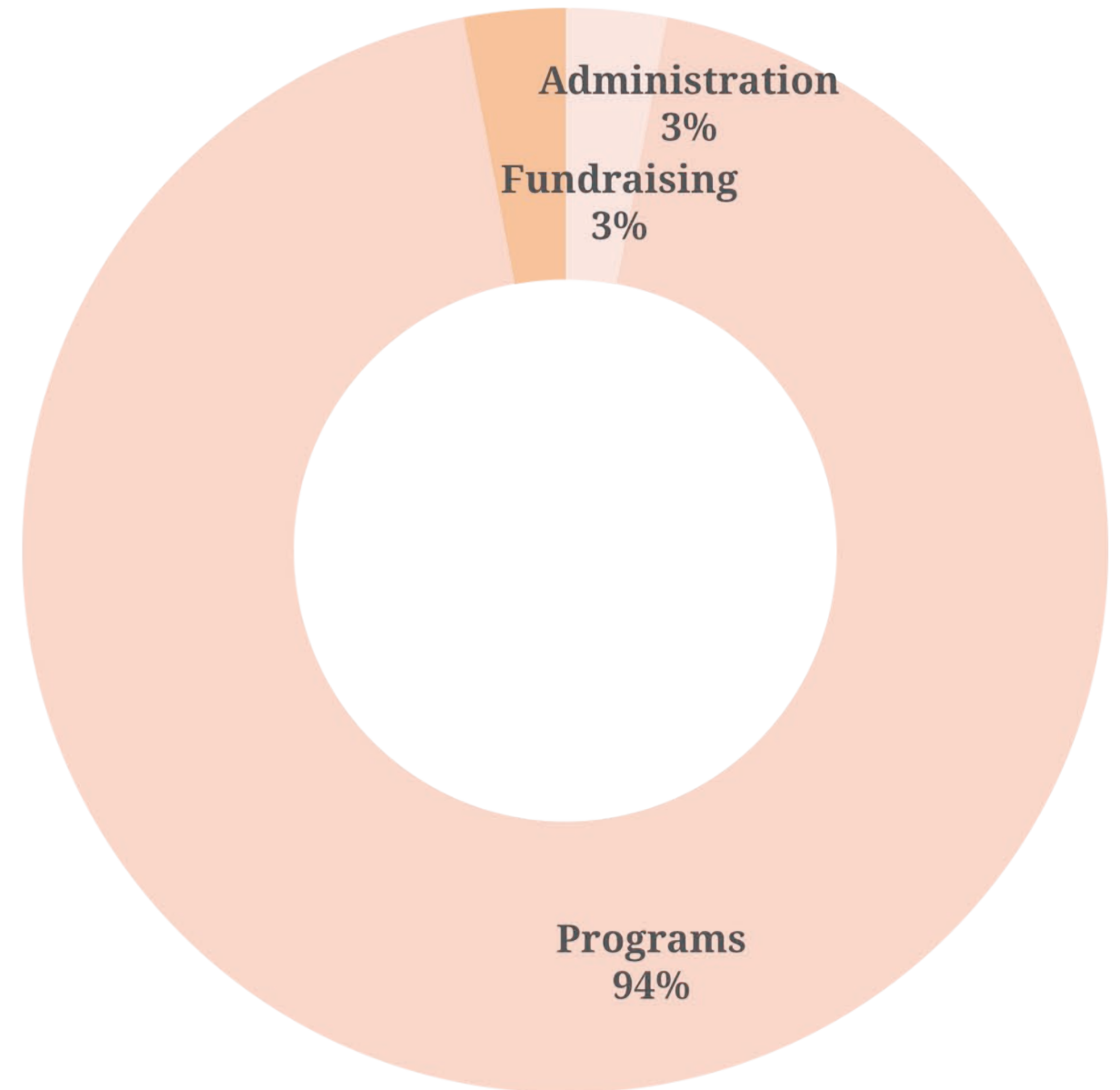
Revenue and Expenses

Revenue



Funding from Other Organizations:	\$4,092,569
Investment Income and Other:	\$199,835
Private Donations:	\$3,357,621
Administrative Funding:	\$1,625,625
Government Funding:	\$11,361,589
Total:	\$20,637,239

Expenses



Administration:	\$671,318
Fundraising:	\$643,393
Programs:	\$19,763,492
Total:	\$21,078,203

Statement of Financial Position

Year End March 31, 2019

	F18-19	F17-18
ASSETS		
Current		
Cash	4,721,476	4,588,257
Short-term Investments	1,973,335	1,819,699
Accounts Receivable	168,692	788,959
Prepaid Program Expenses	1,760,256	1,251,100
Prepaid Expenses	51,873	48,160
Total Current Assets	\$8,675,633	\$8,496,175
Investments		
Capital Assets, Net	978,414	932,801
	2,007,594	2,001,853
	\$11,661,641	\$11,430,829
LIABILITIES and NET ASSETS		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	310,553	340,670
Deferred Income	113,945	35,631
Deferred Contributions	3,085,554	2,461,975
Total Liabilities	\$3,510,053	\$2,838,276
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	4,893,995	5,340,700
Internally Restricted	1,250,000	1,250,000
Invested in Capital Assets	2,007,589	2,001,853
Total Net Assets	\$8,151,589	\$8,592,553
	\$11,661,641	\$11,430,829

Statement of Operations

Year End March 31, 2019

	F18-19	F17-18
UNRESTRICTED REVENUE		
Private Donations	1,750,591	2,042,900
Administrative Funding	1,625,625	1,566,937
Investment Income	184,681	304,271
Other Income	15,154	11,611
Total Unrestricted Revenue	\$3,576,051	\$3,925,719
RESTRICTED REVENUE USED		
Donations from Other Organizations	4,092,569	5,054,154
DFATD/GAC	11,361,589	9,555,168
Provincial Government Contributions	-	-
Private Donations	1,607,030	1,326,860
Total Restricted Revenue	\$17,061,188	\$15,936,182
Total Revenue	\$20,637,239	\$19,861,901
Program Activities		
Development Programs		
DFATD/GAC Development Projects	8,224,106	6,841,253
Development Projects	1,543,433	2,111,954
Development Program Management	1,620,995	1,268,682
Development Program Monitoring and Evaluation	158,560	154,724
Volunteer Projects	8,425	119,064
Training and Capacity Building	8,897	3,041
Total Development Programs	\$11,564,417	\$10,498,718
Humanitarian and Emergency Assistance		
Emergency Management Projects	3,409,200	3,688,343
DFATD/GAC - International Humanitarian Assistance	4,017,297	3,199,303
Emergency Program Management	428,762	352,728
Emergency Program Monitoring and Evaluation	100,162	71,276
Total Humanitarian and Emergency Assistance	\$7,955,421	\$7,311,650
Canadian Programs		
Canadian Projects	24,231	40,287
Canadian Program Management	183,207	114,941
Canadian Monitoring and Evaluation	3,129	2,866
Canadian Development Education	33,086	35,907
Total Canadian Programs Expenses	\$243,654	\$194,001
Support Services		
Management and Administration	671,318	595,029
Public Fundraising and Donor Relations	643,393	697,950
	\$1,314,711	\$1,292,979
Total Program and Support Services Expenses	\$21,078,203	\$19,297,348
Excess of Revenue Over Expenses	(\$440,963)	\$564,553

Partnerships

Children Believe
(formerly Christian Children's
Fund of Canada)
www.childrenbelieve.ca

Colin Glassco Foundation for Children
glasscofoundation.org

Emmanuel International Canada
eicanada.org

Global Affairs Canada
international.gc.ca

Hincks-Dellcrest Centre
hincksdellcrest.org

Salanga
salanga.org

University of Guelph (UoG)
uoguelph.ca

Memberships

Canadian Churches in Action
churchesinaction.ca

**Canadian Council of Christian
Charities (CCCC)**
cccc.org

Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB)
foodgrainsbank.ca

**Humanitarian Response Network of
Canada (HRN)**
humanitarianresponse.ca

**Manitoba Council for International
Cooperation (MCIC)**
mcic.ca

**Ontario Council for International
Cooperation (OCIC)**
ocic.on.ca

**Saskatchewan Council for
International Cooperation (SCIC)**
earthbeat.sk.ca



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