



ANNUAL REPORT

2015 - 2016

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ABOUT CHILDFUND AUSTRALIA

ChildFund Australia is an independent and non-religious international development organisation that works to reduce poverty for children in the developing world. ChildFund Australia is a member of the ChildFund Alliance – a global network of 11 organisations which assists more than 14 million children and families in 63 countries.

ChildFund Australia implements programs with a range of local partners in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea and Vietnam, and manages projects delivered by the ChildFund Alliance throughout Asia, Africa and the Americas.

ChildFund Australia is a registered charity, a member of the Australian Council for International Development, and fully accredited by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, which manages the Australian Government’s overseas aid program.

“We were incredibly excited to launch Global Community in Papua New Guinea in April 2016. We are working with two groups of Youth Ambassadors in Central Province, and they are really dedicated to using their skills for the betterment of their villages.”

- **SIMONE O’CONNOR**
Global Community Engagement Lead

Simone with Ivan, a Global Community Youth Ambassador, in Rigo District, Papua New Guinea

CHILDFUND AUSTRALIA has been responding to the needs of children in developing countries for over 30 years. Independent assessments, and our own Development Effectiveness Framework, confirm that ChildFund programs contribute to improved living standards for thousands of children in poor communities, helping them to not only survive the early critical years, but thrive in middle childhood and adolescence. This Annual Report outlines many key achievements for children accomplished in the past year.

Global efforts to tackle child poverty in the last decade have been largely successful. Since the launch of the Millennium Development Goals in 2000, extreme poverty has been halved and six million fewer children die each year. Many more children are enrolled in school, and more children have access to adequate nutrition and safe water. Progress against the negative impacts of poverty is clearly visible.

Yet despite these positive developments, extreme poverty persists in many places, inequality has widened and the current era, marked by rapid change and disruption, is creating new risks for children.

Climate change is resulting in more frequent, severe weather events. Global financial crises put in jeopardy already fragile economies. Globalisation has led to increased mobility and accelerating urbanisation with rural communities struggling to develop sustainable livelihoods and prevent internal migration. The loss of traditional cultures and values has spurred greater family and community violence. And the world is now experiencing the greatest number of displaced people ever in its history, as a result of rising civil unrest and conflict in many regions.

In response to these problems of persistent poverty, rising inequality, instability and risk, ChildFund Australia has launched a new Strategic Plan to respond effectively, and with flexibility, to the changing needs of vulnerable children. Over the next five years we will intensify our efforts on a central objective: to enable children and youth to be safe, confident and resilient, able to play active, constructive roles in an increasingly turbulent world.

Our organisational objectives are aligned with the new global development agenda – the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These were launched



by world leaders in September last year and have three broad aims: to end extreme poverty, fight inequality and injustice, and fix climate change. The SDGs also include specific targets to reduce violence against children, which has been the cornerstone of ChildFund's Free From Violence campaign. We know that poverty cannot be eliminated without also addressing the widespread violence and exploitation of children.

The work ChildFund undertakes over the next five years will address the realities of children living in poverty today. We will continue to promote the participation of children in community life, to strengthen their protection, and to advance their rights, so that all children, regardless of their birthplace, have access to the same essential opportunities.

This work relies on the collective effort of supporters, donors, partner organisations, governments, local community leaders, children and youth. We are extremely thankful for the generosity and long-term commitment that so many ChildFund supporters willingly provide. Despite Australian Government aid funding reducing to its lowest ever level in the past year, thousands of everyday Australians – including 48,399 individuals, as well as schools, businesses and organisations – have continued to quietly demonstrate their commitment to a better future for the world's children.

We thank you for your interest and belief in a world fit for children. In uncertain times, your support is needed more than ever.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Latham

Mary Latham
Chair

Nigel Spence

Nigel Spence
CEO

At ChildFund Australia, our vision is a global community, free from poverty, where children are protected and have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

To fulfil our mission, ChildFund Australia works in partnership with children and their communities to create lasting and meaningful change by supporting long-term community development and promoting children's rights.

We want all children with whom we work to be able to say:



I AM SAFE



I AM EDUCATED



I AM HEARD



I HAVE A FUTURE

Why? Because every child needs a childhood... a childhood where they are nurtured, protected, encouraged and valued.

Phhoung, age 13,
Cambodia

THE GLOBAL GOALS For Sustainable Development



The Global Goals for Sustainable Development were formally launched by the UN in New York in September 2015, and include new targets to prioritise child protection.

USA

GUATEMALA



ChildFund Guatemala's 'Play with Me' project has been building the skills and expertise of volunteer Guide Mothers, who run Early Childhood Development activities in local villages. Families can take part in workshops on effective parenting, nutrition, sensory stimulation, social-language skills and school readiness.

"I am proud of the role ChildFund Australia has played in ChildFund's global Free From Violence campaign, helping to ensure that the prevention of violence against children is a key element in the UN Sustainable Development Goals."

- MICHAEL ROSE
Chair of the ChildFund Alliance Board



As a new mother and business owner, Jackie has been receiving support from her local Mothers' Group and the Village Savings and Loan Association, both established by ChildFund Uganda. This means she has a safe place to save money for her daughter's future, and access to low-interest loans to grow her charcoal-selling business.

UGANDA

"My visit was not a holiday; it was something much more - something that money could never buy. My letters to my sponsored children are sent more frequently now, and I can visualise them going about their day. Forever feeling connected with them and grateful for the experience. Thank you ChildFund!"

- MANDY EAGLE
ChildFund Sponsor

Nataniel from Ethiopia was one of almost 12,000 children from 23 countries who received Season's Greetings cards from their Australian sponsors in December 2015.



ETHIOPIA

CAMBODIA



3,187 sets of school supplies, including books, pens and school bags, were provided to children across Cambodia.



FJI

AUSTRALIA

After Cyclone Winston tore through Fiji in February 2016, thousands of families were left without homes or access to safe water - including Sereana's. ChildFund partnered with Habitat for Humanity to provide shelter repair kits and restore water supply systems, benefitting more than 3,000 people.



In October 2015, Mandy Eagle from Sydney journeyed across Kenya to meet three of her sponsored children face-to-face - including 16-year-old Seleyian (right), who she has sponsored since 2004.



I AM SAFE

ChildFund Australia believes that every child has the right to live without fear, in a safe, non-violent, protective and nurturing environment. We help communities to strengthen their child protection mechanisms to keep children safe from harm, and provide emergency humanitarian assistance in times of disaster, both natural and manmade. We want every child with whom we work to be able to say: "I am safe."

"I visited Ethiopia in 2016 and witnessed how ChildFund's distribution of water and supplementary food to treat malnutrition is saving children's lives. ChildFund is there for the long haul."

- CAROLYN HARDY
ChildFund Australia
Board Member

FOLLOWING TWO CONSECUTIVE SEASONS OF FAILED RAINS, the people of Ethiopia battled one of the country's most savage droughts in decades, with an estimated 10 million people requiring emergency assistance.

Amina, mother of nine-month-old twin girls Radia and Fatia, gave birth in the seventh month of her pregnancy. Already small at birth, the babies failed to put on weight, and were

suffering from skin lesions, persistent coughs, and constant irritability when they arrived at a health clinic in Fentale District.

Supported by ChildFund Ethiopia, the clinic admitted the twins to the Severe Acute Malnutrition inpatient therapy ward, while Amina was provided with Famix, a protein-rich fortified soya flour, to improve her ability to breastfeed. F100, a nutrient-rich formula, was also administered to

the children four times daily.

With a focus on supporting those most vulnerable to malnutrition – children under five, pregnant women and lactating mothers – ChildFund Ethiopia provided emergency food relief to over 300,000 people in eight of the worst-affected districts. This was made possible thanks to Australian donors, who contributed more than \$430,000 in vital funding.



SAFE SPACES FOR REFUGEE FAMILIES

THE CHILDFUND ALLIANCE, in partnership with Terre des Hommes, has established 24-hour Safe Spaces in Macedonia and Serbia to support refugees fleeing countries such as Syria and Afghanistan. Here, families can stop to receive medical support, warm clothes, food and support services, with children given the opportunity to take part in play activities, before continuing their long trek into Western Europe.



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ANSWERING CALLS FOR HELP

CHILDFUND PAPUA NEW GUINEA is helping to tackle epidemic levels of violence against women and children through the launch of the country's first nationally available, toll-free hotline offering crisis support to survivors of family and sexual violence.

Callers to the helpline are assisted by trained phone counsellors who provide information, crisis counselling and referrals to a range of support services, including the police, medical assistance, legal advice, safe houses, family support centres and child welfare services.

It is estimated that at least two-thirds of women experience physical or sexual violence in their lifetime in Papua New Guinea, which only outlawed domestic violence as recently as 2013.

The hotline, called 1-Tok Kaunselin Helpim Lain, is a partnership between ChildFund Papua New Guinea, CIMC (FSVAC) and FHI 360, supported by the New Zealand Aid Programme, USAID, ChildFund New Zealand and ChildFund Australia.

"I've met women in Papua New Guinea who shared their stories of the most horrific violence levelled at them and their children. To know that these women will now have help available at the end of a phone line is fantastic."

- **NATASHA STOTT DESPOJA**
Australia's
Ambassador for
Women and Girls



KINDIES REOPEN IN VANUATU

ON 13 MARCH 2015, Cyclone Pam wiped out homes, schools and livelihoods in Vanuatu. In partnership with Live & Learn, ChildFund Australia has supported the reconstruction of two kindergartens, allowing 70 children to return to school. Built to be cyclone-proof, the kindergarten buildings can also be used as emergency shelters during cyclone season.

REBUILDING LIVES IN NEPAL

CHILDREN IN NEPAL are still recovering from the two massive earthquakes that struck in April and May 2015, killing more than 8,700 people, destroying buildings, and triggering landslides across the country.

With more than 35,000 classrooms damaged, ChildFund in Nepal prioritised the construction of 60 Temporary Learning Spaces (TLS) on 32 school sites in Sindhupalchowk and Ramechhap Districts, enabling thousands of children to return to a regular routine.

For 10-year-old Anil (right), the TLS is a place where he feels safe. He can play with his friends, continue his learning, and begin to overcome the trauma he experienced as a result of losing his home and loved ones. "I like school very much. I like school days better than holidays," he says.





I AM EDUCATED

ChildFund Australia believes that every child should have access to education and a high quality learning environment. We implement education projects where children are supported to learn essential skills in literacy and numeracy, while also being given the opportunity to take part in creative arts, sports and vocational activities. We want every child with whom we work to be able to say: "I am educated."



THIRTEEN-YEAR-OLD MUNG is from an ethnic minority group and was born in one of the poorest villages in Kim Boi District, Vietnam. Having lost her father at a young age, and with her mother unable to work due to a disability, ChildFund Vietnam

has been helping Mung to continue her education. Thanks to a program which supports families struggling to provide for their children's educational needs, Mung is no longer at risk of dropping out of school due to financial difficulty. "ChildFund's

support has provided me with tuition fees, course books, a desk and lamps to study at home. I also get rice for meals every month. I feel like I am getting closer to my dream," says Mung.



MPs SEE AUSTRALIAN AID IN ACTION

"ChildFund, thank you and the remarkable teachers, parents and students for hosting this visit. Terrific work. Lifelong results."

**- SHARON CLAYDON MP
Member for Newcastle**

IN JANUARY 2015, a group of Australian MPs visited a ChildFund Cambodia education project in Svay Rieng Province as part of a special learning tour.

Implemented in partnership with Kampuchean Action for Primary Education (KAPE), the project uses a ground-breaking approach to improve literacy skills. Older student tutors are paired with younger student learners to help them read and write using special reading toolkits and tablets, and outdated school libraries have been redesigned to make them more fun and appealing for students to use.

The results have been significant – children's reading scores have almost tripled since becoming involved in the project and they are now more motivated than ever to read.

With representatives from both sides of politics, the visit was a great way for parliamentarians to see the incredible work being undertaken by the Australian Aid program first-hand. They spoke to ChildFund staff, teachers and students during the school visit; and were extremely impressed by the innovative nature of the project, the dedication of teachers, and the enthusiasm of students.

A LIFE-CHANGING LEGACY

THREE YEARS AGO, the Rhodes family from Sydney suffered a devastating loss when four of their family members were killed in a plane crash in Laos – eldest son Gavin, his wife Lea and their two young children, Jade and Manfred. Despite their grief, Gavin's family wanted to create something positive from this tragedy, so they decided to partner with ChildFund Australia to build the first-ever preschool in Pha-En, a remote village in northern Laos.

After raising more than \$100,000, Gavin's sister Mel, dad Geoff, and six other relatives and friends, travelled to the official opening of the preschool in September 2015.

The preschool not only provides early education, but means farming parents have somewhere safe to leave their children during the day while they are working. It also means older children can stay in school, rather than drop out to care for their younger siblings.



"I cannot think of a better way to deal with grief. I want to tell everyone who loses someone to help someone else in their memory."

**- MEL RHODES
ChildFund Supporter**

TRAINING THE NEXT GENERATION

EIGHTEEN-YEAR-OLD IMACULADA IS FROM TIMOR-LESTE. Like many youth in her home district of Covalima, she was unable to go to university because her family couldn't afford the fees. Instead, she spent her days helping her parents with small jobs at home.

When Imaculada heard about ChildFund Timor-Leste's youth training program, she jumped at the opportunity to get involved. Designed to equip youth with income-earning vocational skills and sustainable employment opportunities, the areas of study are diverse and include agriculture, tourism and hospitality.

Imaculada is now engaged in agricultural training, and has been enjoying learning about how different fertilisers and equipment influence plant growth. She plans to use her new farming skills to help her family and the community at large.

"Life in Covalima is good, but we young people need to make efforts to make it better," she says.





I AM HEARD

ChildFund Australia believes that every child should have the opportunity to play an active role in society, and to have their views sought, valued and respected. Our programs give children and youth the confidence to share their opinions, and to participate in family and community decision-making on issues which affect them. We want every child with whom we work to be able to say: "I am heard."

PASS IT BACK is an innovative sport for development program which uses an integrated rugby and life skills curriculum to enable children and youth to overcome challenges and 'pass it back' to their communities.

Developed by ChildFund Australia, the program has begun in Laos and Vietnam, and provides important

learning opportunities by focusing on leadership, financial literacy, and gender equality.

Not only does Pass It Back promote the right to play in regions where children have little access to organised recreation, but the program has a strong focus on increasing the participation of girls – with females

now making up more than half of the 2,000 Pass It Back players and coaches.

Introducing a previously unknown sport like rugby into communities encourages girls to take part, as it is not traditionally seen as a 'boys' game.

"I congratulate ChildFund and partner organisations for this successful initiative that is giving children and youth from poor communities in Asia the opportunity to learn rugby and to develop important life skills."

- JOHN EALES AM
Captain of the 1999
World Cup-Winning Wallabies



LEADING GLOBAL COMMUNITY

HTAY (centre) was born in a small village in Kayah State, Myanmar. At the age of two, she left to live in Loikaw City, only to move back to her village as a teenager.

Concerned about returning to a place where she had no friends and was unaccustomed to the way of life, Htay was excited to get involved with ChildFund Myanmar's Global Community program, and signed up to become a youth ambassador.

As part of the program, youth are trained to become local leaders, and are taught how to use digital media to talk about their own experiences and identify challenges in their community – from access to clean water, to quality education. ChildFund also provides them with the tools to develop local solutions.

Htay's fluency in the Burmese language, which she developed during her time in the city, is very useful for her work with Global Community. This is because most of her peers are only able to speak the local dialect.

"It is my priority to make friends in my new home and participate in this program which is working for the development of this village, my village," Htay says.

SMALL VOICES, BIG DREAMS 2015

ALMOST 6,000 CHILDREN – aged 10 to 12 years – from 44 countries had their say in ChildFund's sixth annual Small Voices, Big Dreams survey, with the results providing an important insight into children's views on safety and protection.

Globally, 42% of children named home and school as places where children are at risk.

"The findings demonstrate that child violence and exploitation is pervasive, and affects children regardless of their nationality, culture, religion or socio-economic status," says ChildFund Australia CEO Nigel Spence.

"If I were leader of my country, I would make laws to protect children from being harmed by adults and parents." - **ABDUL, age 12, Ghana**



TRANSMITTING CHILDREN'S VOICES

IN JULY 2015, ChildFund Sri Lanka ran a five-day Community Radio Broadcast Training Program in the rural area of Trincomalee – giving children the opportunity to learn multimedia skills, build their confidence, and to be heard on important issues, while empowering them to make change within their communities.

With radio being a powerful yet low cost communication tool, young people from both Sinhala and Tamil speaking backgrounds took to the microphone to talk to their communities live on air. Hundreds of phone calls also came through – with listeners giving praise to the children and their radio segments, requesting songs, and providing feedback.

"For the first time in my life, I had an opportunity to work with a radio program. Through this we were able to sharpen our talents and creativity, and show our capabilities," says Lalitya, a grade 10 student.





I HAVE A FUTURE

ChildFund Australia believes that every child should have the right to survive and thrive, and to feel confident and hopeful about their future. We implement programs which prioritise the health, wellbeing and resilience of children, working in partnership with their families and communities to ensure that their basic human rights are safeguarded and upheld. We want every child with whom we work to be able to say: "I have a future."

ALMOST TWO-THIRDS of people living in Cambodia's rural communities do not have access to a toilet. Lack of proper sanitation facilities increases the risk of disease, and with nowhere private to go to the toilet, girls face additional challenges around safety and dignity.

However, this situation is no longer an issue for 11-year-old Romduol from Svay Rieng. Since 2008, ChildFund Cambodia has supported the construction of more than 4,000 toilets in her province; and has strengthened the capacity of youth and local authorities and committees

to lead on sanitation and hygiene education for the community.

"Now that I have a bathroom, I feel comfortable and have no fear," says Romduol.



COMMUNITY-BASED REHABILITATION

FOUR-YEAR-OLD UMESHA is one of the 120 children benefitting from ChildFund Sri Lanka's Community-Based Rehabilitation Project in Puttalam, which helps families identify, understand and better care for children with disability.

ChildFund also collaborates with local authorities and civil society organisations to find ways to include children with disability in social services programs and the education system.

Prior to ChildFund's support, Umesha could neither stand, sit or speak. ChildFund Sri Lanka began exercises with Umesha to strengthen her muscles and improve her coordination, and provided her with a special pair of shoes which help to shape her feet so that she will eventually be able to walk normally.

"I finally felt I could begin to hope. I began to think she would be able to get an education and live a normal life. The support has gone a long way towards improving Umesha's condition."

- AJITHA, mother, Sri Lanka



LIGHTING UP RURAL VILLAGES

CHEE AND JERU are best friends and neighbours from a small mountain village in Myanmar. Until recently, their village did not have access to electricity. While they were able to study at school in natural daylight, once darkness fell they were unable to continue their studies at home or finish their homework.

Living without electricity can significantly impact the academic performance of school children, and affect their future opportunities. To address this issue, ChildFund Myanmar worked in partnership with the Local Development Network to provide solar panels to homes and distribute school supplies to children in 20 villages across Kayah State.

Jeru says this has made a huge difference in his life: "Before I never studied at night, but now I can!"



TORRENS PRIMARY ACTION TEAM

LAST YEAR, Ms Kowalski, a teacher from the ACT, gave a presentation to her Year 3 class on Timor-Leste. "I mentioned that Timor-Leste was the fourth hungriest nation in the world, and that over half of the population lives below the poverty line," she says.

Inspired to make a difference to the lives of children, Ms Kowalski's class of 30 formed the Torrens Primary Action Team. By hosting a Stall Day, the class raised funds for a ChildFund Timor-Leste project that aims to increase birth registrations of children aged 0 – 5 years. Birth registration is an official government process and imparts many rights upon children, including access to basic health and education services.

Students organised a variety of booths, including a second-hand book stall and a toy car racetrack kiosk. In total, an amazing \$1,301.25 was raised – enabling the Torrens Primary Action Team to help over 850 children in Timor-Leste to be registered.



RURAL ENTREPRENEURS

LIVING IN A REMOTE VILLAGE in Cao Bang, Vietnam, mother-of-four Nguyet explains: “It’s not always easy for us to raise our children. This is a difficult area to farm. There is not much arable soil and we would hardly make enough money if it wasn’t for the husbandry.”

Raising goats is a new income generation activity in Nguyet’s province, and is suited to local conditions as goats are able to forage in the mountains for food. After 6-12 months, goats can either reproduce, or be sold to provide income for families.

Borrowing US\$500 from ChildFund Vietnam’s village credit scheme, together with the money earned from selling a cow, Nguyet’s family have now bought 12 goats to raise.

“I hope we can make enough so that we can send our children to school, so they have a better education than me and their father could. We are working and trying our best to make that happen. With education, they can definitely have a better life. Even if they choose to farm, I assume they would be knowledgeable enough to know where to farm and what to do,” says Nguyet.

“In Vietnam, I saw close up the impact of our education, livelihoods, and water and sanitation projects. These projects really do change lives.”

- MARY LATHAM
Chair of the ChildFund Australia Board

TESTING FOR TB

DIAGNOSING TUBERCULOSIS (TB) in two remote parts of Central Province in Papua New Guinea has been made simpler with the donation of two microscopes and training of health workers by ChildFund Papua New Guinea.

In the past, TB testing was a slow process – with sputum collected from patients and then transported to the capital of Port Moresby for smear microscopy, as the two local Health Centres were not equipped for TB testing and analysis. It would then take several days before the results could be sent back to local health workers.

Lab Technician at Aigevairu Health Centre, Francis, says: “The donation has been a blessing. This microscope has eased our workload and provides quick results for the clients. With this microscope, I will no longer waste time travelling for smear tests and use those hours to save more lives.”



ESTABLISHING HEALTH HUTS

NINE-MONTH-OLD DJINA and her father, Omar, are from Senegal and have been attending a ChildFund-supported health hut. Built as a means of extending the nationwide healthcare system to more remote communities, their village health hut is one of more than 2,500 built or

refurbished by ChildFund Senegal and its partners.

When Omar, a father of five, kept hearing from other men in his community about their families’ improved health due to the health hut, he took notice. He had been

worried about his wife, who had experienced postpartum haemorrhage with every delivery, and he finally brought her in for support. Now, with basic care and information, Omar’s family is healthier and more secure.

ASSESSING CHANGE FOR CHILDREN

As an organisation focused on achieving the best possible outcomes for children and their families, ChildFund Australia's Development Effectiveness Framework allows us to measure and evaluate the effectiveness of our work.

ChildFund's monitoring and evaluation system – the Development Effectiveness Framework (DEF) – was designed to provide answers to three important questions:

1. How do we know if our work makes a difference and gets results?
2. How do we learn from experience in order to improve the way we work?
3. How can community members and local partners directly participate in the planning, implementation and evaluation of ChildFund's development projects?

The framework covers program activities in four ChildFund Australia-

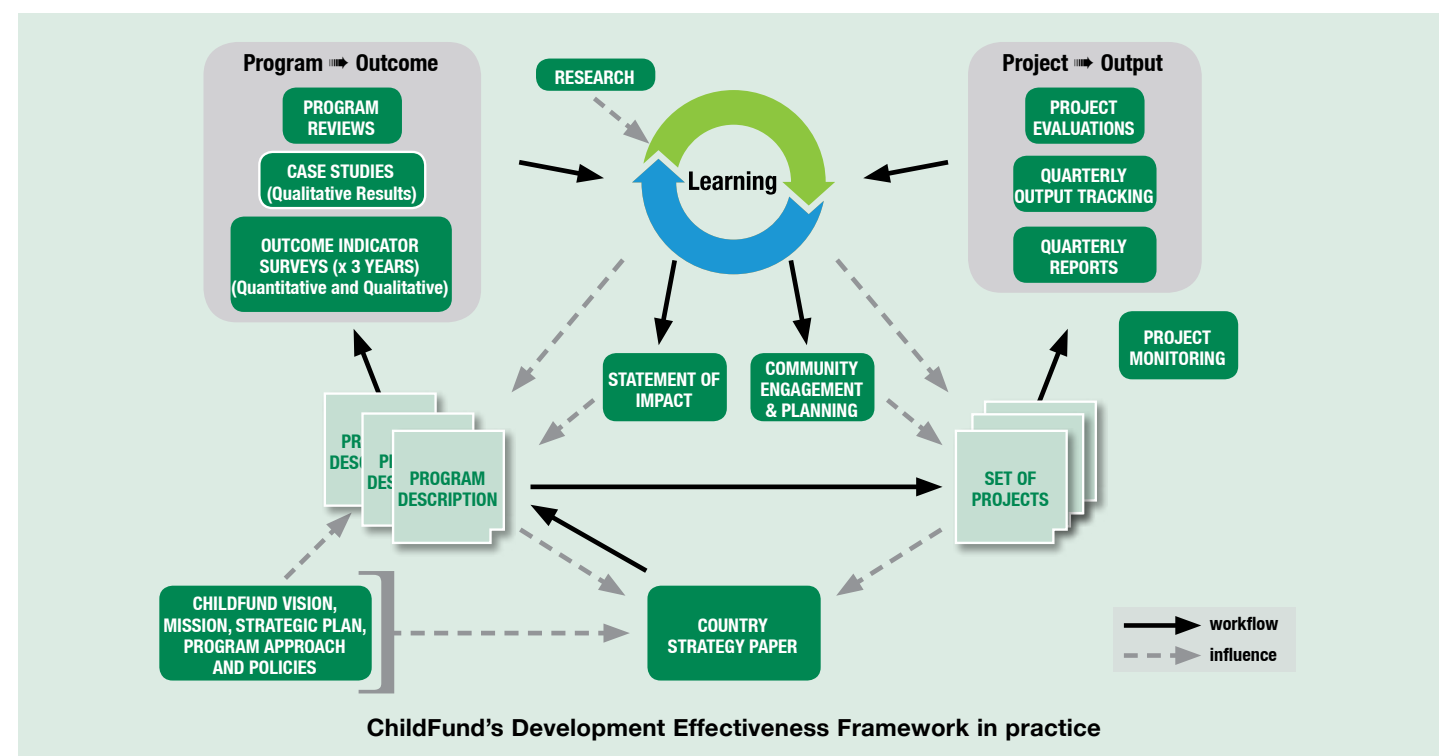
managed countries – Cambodia, Laos, Papua New Guinea (PNG) and Vietnam, and some aspects of our work in Myanmar. The system is comprised of six major components, including:

- Organisational outputs: used to track the activities and results of ChildFund projects throughout the year.
- Qualitative data: beneficiary case studies gathered to provide information about the way in which individuals (children, families, community members or development partners) experience the effects of ChildFund's projects.
- Outcome indicators: baseline and follow-up surveys used to

measure long-term progress in the areas of nutrition, literacy, primary school completion and participation in decision-making.

- Statements of impact: data is shared with community members, who review ChildFund's activity over time, consider other influences, and rate the impact of ChildFund's projects.

The DEF gives ChildFund Australia the means to track and evaluate the results of its development programs. By counting tangible outputs and measuring long-term changes, ChildFund is able to assess the extent to which it has contributed to improved living standards for children and communities.



Children and youth take an active role in the Statement of Impact assessment process

STATEMENT OF IMPACT: CAMBODIA

During the last financial year, ChildFund Australia undertook a Statement of Impact (SOI) assessment in Chhloung District, Cambodia.

The SOI is one of a number of components of ChildFund Australia's DEF. It is designed to provide a review of changes measured against a set of Outcome Indicators in a particular geographic area, and gives community members the opportunity to assess ChildFund's contribution to those changes.

Following an initial baseline survey, ChildFund Australia conducts three-yearly repeat surveys within each district to assess change.

Community members, including children, youth, women, commune leaders and local government representatives, then come together to provide feedback on the results of the original baseline survey in comparison to the most recently collected data. This includes assessing the validity of the most recent data based on whether it matches their own knowledge and experience.

In presenting their summary findings, the community members of Chhloung District stated: "Based on the assessment carried out by the

community representatives and local authorities, we, the local authorities, note that the results of the outcome survey conducted in August 2015 show a positive impact in eight targeted communes when compared with the results in 2012.

"ChildFund implemented a diverse range of activities including building schools, libraries, playgrounds, canals, rainwater catchments, wells, latrines and hand-washing facilities, providing school kits and bicycles, conducting school enrolment campaigns, providing fruit trees, chickens, and vegetable seeds to families and conducting agricultural farming training.

"Moreover, ChildFund organised exposure visits, consultation workshops, reflection meetings and installed child rights information banners and also supported the commune investment planning process. We recommend that ChildFund continues to support and implement activities that contribute to health, community development, child protection and risk reduction."

ChildFund contributed to positive change in the areas of education, water and sanitation, agriculture, child rights, good governance and child protection sectors.

- COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES, Chhloung District

Community representatives assessed ChildFund Cambodia as having made a significant contribution to the following changes:

Households (with children aged 0-59 months) with year-round access to an improved, affordable water source increased from 21% in 2012 to 50% in 2015.

Children aged 0-5 years whose mother/caregiver can produce a birth registration certificate increased from 27% in 2012 to 59% in 2015.

Households (with children aged 0-59 months) with year-round access to basic sanitation increased from 36% in 2012 to 54% in 2015.

Children having the opportunity to express their opinions on decisions that affect them increased in their families (1% in 2012 to 69% in 2015), in schools (4% in 2012 to 63% in 2015) and in communities (0% in 2012 to 44% in 2015).

Youth participation in youth groups, clubs or other social and community organisations increased from 6% in 2012 to 25% in 2015.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The operating result for the 2015-16 financial year was a deficit of \$2.4m, compared to surpluses of \$1.8m and \$740k in the previous two years. Net assets at the end of the year were \$4.6m.

This result was broadly in line with ChildFund Australia's plan to utilise the surpluses generated during the previous two years in order to invest in programs, improved systems and technology for the organisation.

Where the money came from

Total revenue was \$49.3m compared to \$52.3m last year. Support from the Australian public continues to remain strong, despite a small decline in public donations.

Child sponsorship revenue was 55 per cent, with other donations and bequests comprising 8 per cent of total revenue. Grant revenue for the organisation was very slightly down - \$17.3m compared to \$17.6m in the previous year. Australian government grants were 17 per cent and overseas grants amounted to 18 per cent of total revenue.

Other income amounted to \$601k compared to \$1m last year. This differential is largely due to the exchange gain, which was only \$113k in 2015-16 compared to \$562k last year.

Grants from Alliance members and multilateral organisations continued to grow, exceeding \$9m, compared to \$8.2m last year

How the money was spent

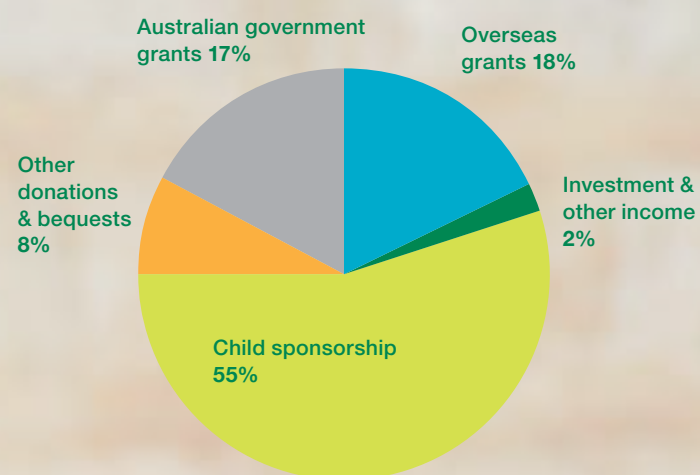
Spending on development programs and emergency relief declined slightly from \$41m to \$40m in 2015-16. However, funding to programs in the Asia Pacific region increased by 23 per cent in line with ChildFund Australia's Strategic Plan.

More than 120 directly-managed development projects were undertaken to improve conditions for children, in addition to emergency relief operations and sponsorship-funded development activity in many countries. This included the 1-Tok Kaunselin Helpim Lain, Papua New Guinea's first freecall national counselling hotline for victims of family and sexual violence, funded by a New Zealand Government grant secured by ChildFund New Zealand.

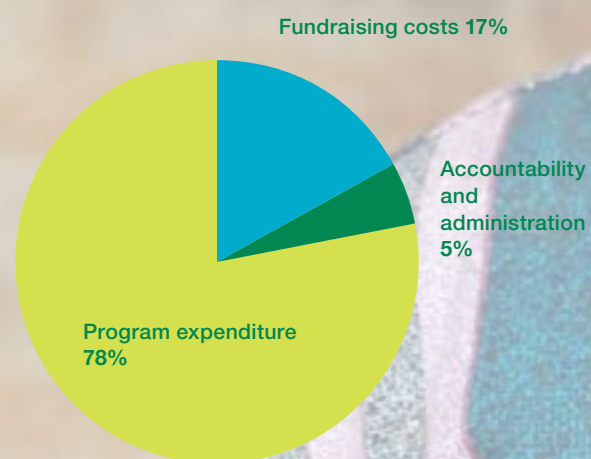
Fundraising costs increased due to new investment to grow public fundraising in a competitive market and accounted for 17 per cent of total expenses. Accountability and administration expenses remained unchanged at \$2.6m.

During the last financial year, ChildFund Australia sent almost \$40m to 32 countries, funding both long-term community development programs and emergency relief operations for children and their families.

Sources of revenue



Breakdown of expenditure



Statement of comprehensive income: Year ended 30 June 2016

	2016 (\$)	2015 (\$)
Revenue		
Monetary donations & gifts		
Child sponsorship donations	27,191,454	29,042,943
Other donations	3,899,461	4,166,723
	31,090,915	33,209,666
Legacies and bequests	16,812	21,486
Grants		
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	7,457,793	7,938,948
Other Australian	848,086	1,459,626
Overseas	9,002,901	8,211,190
	17,308,780	17,609,764
Investment income	328,991	423,601
Other income	600,525	1,022,913
Total revenue	49,346,023	52,287,430
Expenditure		
International Aid and Development Programs Expenditure		
International programs		
Funds to international programs	36,977,363	37,759,892
Program support costs	2,547,575	2,537,662
	39,524,938	40,297,554
Community education	614,560	720,146
Fundraising costs		
Public	8,795,089	6,783,345
Government, multilateral and private	118,062	122,119
Accountability and administration	2,607,551	2,633,589
Total expenditure	51,660,200	50,556,753
Excess/(Shortfall) of revenue over expenditure	(2,314,177)	1,730,677
Other comprehensive income		
Net change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	(128,916)	63,732
Total comprehensive expense/income for the year	(2,443,093)	1,794,409

During the year, the Company did not engage in any political or religious proselytisation programs, domestic projects, had no impairment of investments, and did not include the value of non-monetary donations and gifts.

Statement of financial position: Year ended 30 June 2016

	2016 (\$)	2015 (\$)
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	7,156,166	13,980,750
Trade and other receivables	725,888	895,606
Financial assets	4,711,901	500,000
Total current assets	12,593,955	15,376,356
Financial assets	2,834,104	2,815,416
Property, plant and equipment	829,603	901,054
Intangibles	1,827,385	2,063,507
Total non-current assets	5,491,092	5,779,977
Total assets	18,085,047	21,156,333
Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	12,727,620	13,434,053
Provisions	472,604	372,599
Total current liabilities	13,200,224	13,806,652
Provisions	288,345	310,110
Total non-current liabilities	288,345	310,110
Total liabilities	13,488,569	14,116,762
Net assets	4,596,478	7,039,571
Equity		
Unrestricted reserves		
Retained surplus	2,332,505	3,931,984
Bequest reserve	500,000	500,000
Fair-value reserve	546,850	675,766
	3,379,355	5,107,750
Restricted reserves	1,217,123	1,931,821
Total equity	4,596,478	7,039,571

The Summary Financial Reports have been prepared in accordance with the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct. For further information on the Code, please refer to the ACFID Code of Conduct Guidance Document available at www.acfid.asn.au.

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Statement of changes in equity: Year ended 30 June 2016

	Retained surplus (\$)	Bequest reserve (\$)	Fair value reserve (\$)	Restricted reserve (\$)	Total equity (\$)
Balance as at 1 July 2014	2,922,861	500,000	612,034	1,210,267	5,245,162
Total comprehensive income for the period					
Excess of revenue over expenditure	1,730,677		-	-	1,730,677
Other comprehensive income					
Net change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	63,732	-	63,732
Transfers to restricted funds	(2,570,077)	-		2,570,077	-
Transfers from restricted funds	1,848,523	-	-	(1,848,523)	-
Balance as at 30 June 2015	3,931,984	500,000	675,766	1,931,821	7,039,571
Balance as at 1 July 2015	3,931,984	500,000	675,766	1,931,821	7,039,571
Total comprehensive income for the period					
Shortfall in revenue over expenditure	(2,314,177)				(2,314,177)
Other comprehensive income					
Net change in fair value of available-for-sale financial assets			(128,916)		(128,916)
Transfers to restricted funds	(2,090,221)			2,090,221	
Transfers from restricted funds	2,804,919			(2,804,919)	
Balance as at 30 June 2016	2,332,505	500,000	546,850	1,217,123	4,596,478

Table of cash movements for designated purposes: Year ended 30 June 2016

	Cash available 1 July 2015	Cash raised during the year	Cash disbursed during year	Cash available 30 June 2016
ANCP (Australian NGO Cooperation Program)	496,979	7,540,805	7,355,051	682,733
Total for all other purposes	13,483,771	42,746,855	49,757,193	6,473,433
Total	13,980,750	50,287,660	57,112,244	7,156,166



Independent auditor’s report to the members of ChildFund Australia

Report of the independent auditor on the summary financial statements of ChildFund Australia

The accompanying summary financial statements, which comprise of the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2016, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows and the table of cash movements for designated purposes for the year then ended, are derived from the audited financial report of ChildFund Australia for the year ended 30 June 2016. We expressed an unmodified auditor’s opinion on that financial report in our report dated 9 September 2015. That financial report, and the summary financial statements, do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on that financial report.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Australian Accounting Standards for a general purpose financial report of ChildFund Australia. Reading the summary financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial report of ChildFund Australia.

Directors’ responsibility for the summary financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial report.

Auditor’s responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial report of ChildFund Australia based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Auditing Standard ASA 810 Engagements to Report on Summary Financial

Statements.

Auditor’s opinion

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial report of ChildFund Australia for the year ended 30 June 2016 are a fair summary, in all material respects, of that audited financial report.

KPMG

Brett Mitchell
Partner
Sydney

Dated at Sydney this 14th day of September 2016

BUSINESS LEADERS GO UNDER THE HAMMER

THIS YEAR ChildFund Australia launched the MentorMe Auction, giving Australians the opportunity to bid for a mentoring session with one of 10 high-profile entrepreneurs and business leaders from a range of industries.

Proceeds raised through the online event were used to support ChildFund livelihoods projects for young people and families in some of Asia-Pacific's poorest communities. Auction winners were given the chance to sit down with their chosen mentor for an hour of expert guidance and career advice.

Thank you to our fantastic group of mentors for sharing their knowledge and, in doing so, making a difference to the lives of those living in poverty.

"I strongly believe the onus is on all of us to shape a better future for generations to come."

- CLIFF ROSENBERG
LinkedIn Regional MD

"I urge more Australians to step up and help ease the burden of malnutrition through ChildFund Australia - and, in so doing, be happy in the knowledge ChildFund around the world is a lean machine that gets the job done."

- THE HON TIM FISCHER AC
Former Deputy PM and Special Envoy for ChildFund Australia

A SPECIAL MISSION TO ETHIOPIA

THE HON. TIM FISCHER AC, former deputy prime minister and special envoy for ChildFund Australia, travelled to Ethiopia in 2016, just as the savage drought was resulting in huge food shortages across the country.

Representing ChildFund Australia and The Crop Trust, Mr Fischer's visit took place at a time when an estimated one million Ethiopian children were suffering from malnutrition.

Accompanied by Australian Ambassador to Ethiopia Mark Sawers, Mr Fischer met with ChildFund Ethiopia National Director Chege Ngugi to discuss emergency operations.

Mr Fischer said of his visit: "The situation on the ground in the eight districts where ChildFund operates is grim. But with strong, local leadership in place, supplementary nutrition is getting through to the most vulnerable: children under five years and pregnant and lactating mothers."

The theme of food security continued with Tim attending Crop Trust meetings, which focused on the need to develop new agriculture varieties that are resistant to drought.

Mr Fischer said: "Ethiopia is a country that faces many challenges, but there is movement at the station and watching over it all stands the sentinel of the extraordinary Church of St George at Lalibela."

"I admire the dedicated people collecting seeds and helping with food distribution, all helping to provide stability in a region not that far from Australia."



Ben Phillips (ChildFund International Director of Emergency Management), Chege Ngugi, Tim Fischer and Mark Sawers

OUR MENTORS IN 2015



- **Roberto Mercade**, Coca-Cola South Pacific Business Unit President
- **Sue Ismiel**, Sue Ismiel & Daughters Founder & Global Brand Ambassador
- **Todd Sampson**, Leo Burnett Non-Executive Chairman
- **Chris Gray**, Your Empire CEO
- **Cliff Rosenberg**, LinkedIn ANZ and SE Asia Managing Director
- **Jason Burrows**, Jungle Managing Director / Executive Producer
- **Jenny Boddington**, QBE Insurance Group Global Head of Bancassurance
- **Jackie Frank**, Pacific Magazines Group Publisher Fashion and Health
- **Michael Rose AM**, Allens Consultant & Former Chief Executive Partner
- **Ann Sherry AO**, Carnival Australia Executive Chairman



THANK YOU TO ALL OUR AMBASSADORS FOR YOUR ONGOING COMMITMENT AND SUPPORT!



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JULIE GOODWIN



FRANKIE J HOLDEN & MICHELLE PETTIGROVE



MARK & RACHEL BERETTA



DANIELLE CORMACK

"I really responded to ChildFund's ethos, which is about giving a hand up rather than a hand out."

- DANIELLE CORMACK
Actress and ChildFund Ambassador

BECAUSE IT TAKES A VILLAGE

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MARY LATHAM (CHAIR)
Mary is a chartered accountant, company director and consultant. She is a member of the Governance Committee and the Audit & Risk Committee.



DR STEPHEN MOSS
Stephen is a professional consultant, director and mediator. He retired from the Board in November 2015, having been a member of the Program Review Committee and the Communications and Marketing Committee.



JOANNE THOMSON (DEPUTY CHAIR)
Jo is an international development specialist. She is the Chair of the Program Review Committee.



RICHARD MOORE
Richard is a consultant specialising in Asian economic, political and social transition, currently working in Myanmar. He is a member of the Program Committee and the Audit and Risk Committee.



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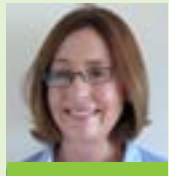
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Prior to his leave of absence from the Board in November 2015, Michael was a Managing Director with Accenture Australia.



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Jo is a General Manager with CommInsure at the Commonwealth Bank. She is a member of the Program Review Committee and Communications and Marketing Committee.



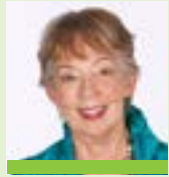
JUSTINE RICHARDSON
Justine works with Boards and Senior Executives to help businesses grow, address complex issues and improve their operations. She is Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee and member of the Governance Committee.



CAROLYN HARDY
Carolyn is a passionate advocate for women and children, having worked with the United Nations for over twelve years in senior leadership roles. She is a member of the Program Review and Communications and Marketing Committees.



MICHAEL ROSE
Michael is the Chairman of the ChildFund Alliance Board and former Chief Executive Partner of law firm Allens.



GAYE HART
Gaye has over 20 years' experience as a director in not-for-profit, government and business boards. She is a member of the Audit & Risk Committee and Chair of the Communications and Marketing Committee.



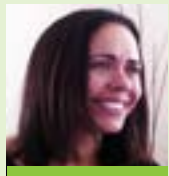
DESMOND SEMPLE
Des has a background as CEO of Government Human Service Departments. He completed his maximum term in November 2015 having been a member of the Governance Committee.



MARCUS LAITHWAITE
Marcus is a partner at a major professional services firm in Sydney. He completed his maximum term in November 2015 having been Chair of the Board and member of the Governance Committee and Program Review Committee.



DAVID SHORTLAND
David is a governance specialist and communication counsel to Boards and Senior Executives. He is Chair of the Governance Committee and a member the Communications and Marketing Committee.



BELINDA LUCAS
Belinda is co-founder of international development consultancy Learning4Development. She is a member of the Governance Committee.

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