



ANNUAL REPORT
2008-09

Annual Report

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



In the last year, headlines have been dominated by the global financial crisis. A lot of attention has been focused on the impact of the crisis on the global economy, the international banking system and world trade. In Australia, the focus has been on the Government stimulus package and the impact of the crisis on household incomes and spending.

Against this background, relatively little attention has been paid to the effects of the global financial crisis on children and their communities in developing countries. In these countries, uncertain economic conditions have a direct impact on vulnerable communities and the children who live in them. Many families that rely on small cash incomes from crops, or on remittances from relatives in towns and cities, see their incomes fall as prices drop and jobs become scarce. For many families the immediate response is to save school fees by taking their children out of school. This affects the literacy, life skills, health monitoring and future opportunities of the children concerned.

A loss of jobs in towns and cities also sees people return to villages, putting additional pressure on water,

food, housing and medical resources. In times of economic stress, child labour, work-based migration and child trafficking also increase.

In the last financial year, ChildFund Australia has responded to these challenges around the world by continuing to work with children and their communities on the delivery of long-term development programs. In addition, ChildFund Australia has responded to humanitarian emergencies arising from war, civil unrest and natural disasters.

Despite uncertain economic times, ChildFund Australia's sponsors and supporters have maintained their generous support for ChildFund's work around the world. Thanks to this generosity, and the efforts of ChildFund Australia's staff in Sydney, ChildFund Australia raised \$36.6m during the 2008-09 year, up 13 per cent from last year.

These funds supported ChildFund Australia's programs in Vietnam, Cambodia and Papua New Guinea, as well as the work of our international affiliates in countries around the world. As such, these funds have contributed to lasting change in the lives of thousands of children in the developing world.

I would like to thank everyone at ChildFund Australia and all of our sponsors and supporters who, working together, are providing safety, wellbeing and opportunity to the world's poorest children.

Michael Rose
Chair
ChildFund Australia



Visiting a ChildFund-constructed health centre in Vietnam

OUR BOARD

Chair: Michael Rose

Michael Rose is managing partner at leading international law firm Allens Arthur Robinson.

Deputy chair: Wendy Rose AM

Wendy Rose is a member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) Executive Committee and former CEO of Save the Children Australia and YWCA Australia.

Robert William Hogg

Robert William Hogg is a senior consultant at Frontier Investment Consulting.

Jo Thompson

Jo Thompson is an international development consultant and former international program manager with the Fred Hollows Foundation.

Dr Angeline Low

Angeline Low holds the Chancellor's Post Doctoral Research Fellow position at The University of Technology, Sydney and is a board member of Family Planning NSW.

David Pigott

David Pigott is a general manager at Mission Australia, a former consultant with PricewaterhouseCoopers Legal and former adviser to the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Marcus Laithwaite

Marcus Laithwaite is a partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers Sydney.

James Sheffield

James Sheffield is general manager of Home Loans at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

Des Semple

Des Semple is managing director of DS&A and undertakes major consultancies for State and Commonwealth Governments.

Dr Stephen Moss

Stephen Moss is group managing director of WDSScott and a director of Pathways Foundation.

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



Meeting with mothers in Timor-Leste

Poor communities around the world were hit hard in 2008-09 by the global financial crisis, fluctuating food prices and the increasing impact of climate change. In response, ChildFund Australia redoubled efforts to implement programs that limit negative impacts and improve conditions for children.

Through partner organisations and by direct delivery, ChildFund Australia implemented child-centred programs in more than 900 of the world's poorest communities in 27 countries. By working in partnership with local communities, numerous projects were successfully completed to address water and sanitation, education, food and livelihoods, healthcare, HIV and AIDS. Child protection activity also increased during the year.

ChildFund's programs improved the health, educational and social wellbeing of children orphaned by AIDS in Zambia, Uganda and Kenya. Immunisations were stepped up for infants in the Central and Gulf provinces of Papua New Guinea. Emergency feeding saved the lives of children in Ethiopia, while in the Philippines young people were trained and supported to be part of a new generation of leaders in their communities. In Sri Lanka, as the fighting finally came to an end, ChildFund was among the first in the internal displacement camps to provide safe places for children to learn and play.

In Vietnam, ChildFund expanded its highly successful programs into a third province in the poorest, remote northern areas of the country, while in Cambodia school constructions were completed and youth farming initiatives got under way. Preliminary registration to operate in Laos was secured and initial projects will commence shortly.

Regular monitoring and independent evaluations are a systematic part of ChildFund's approach and have confirmed the effectiveness of ChildFund's development programs. Further endorsement was received when ChildFund was again awarded full accreditation by the Australian Government's aid agency AusAID. AusAID's support is gratefully acknowledged and ChildFund Australia was pleased to be one of five international non-government organisations selected during the year for a new AusAID partnership.

None of the work for children would be possible without the support of sponsors and donors. The outstanding commitment by ChildFund Australia's supporters – during uncertain economic times – resulted in a remarkable 13 per cent increase in funds sent overseas. A small operating surplus was achieved, however, the financial crisis led to an impairment to ChildFund Australia's investments. As with previous years, child sponsorship support grew in 2008-09 with a five per cent increase to 54,538 Australian child sponsorships.



ChildFund-trained village health volunteers in PNG

November 2009 marks 20 years since the creation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. In the past two decades, there has been significant progress for children. However, it is clear that much more has to be done if the rights of the world's poorest children to survive and develop are to be realised.

Nigel Spence
CEO
ChildFund Australia

Cover image: Twins Caro and Hana from Nairobi, Kenya

OUR WORK AROUND

ChildFund Australia is a member of the ChildFund Alliance – a working to assist more than 15 million children and their com



THE AMERICAS

Program expenditure:
\$86.1m

Countries: Bolivia, Brazil, Dominica & St Vincent, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru

Our vision:

A global community, free from poverty, where children are protected and have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

The Americas

Bolivia	7.0
Brazil	22.2
Dominica & St Vincent	2.2
Ecuador	7.8
Guatemala	11.6
Honduras	8.5
Mexico	9.9
Nicaragua	7.2
Paraguay	9.6

Africa

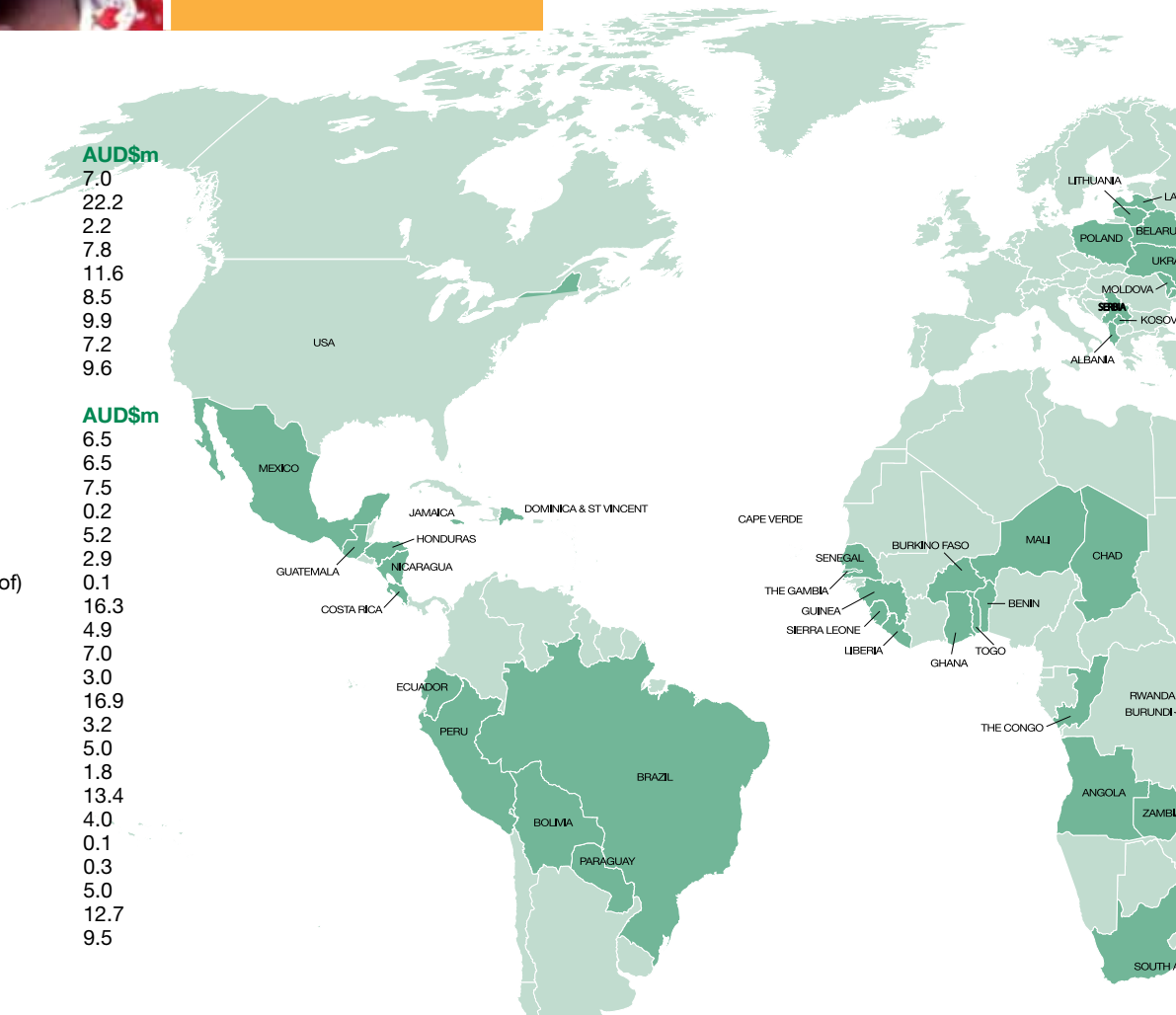
Angola	6.5
Benin	6.5
Burkina Faso	7.5
Burundi	0.2
Cape Verde	5.2
Chad	2.9
Congo (Democratic Republic of)	0.1
Ethiopia	16.3
The Gambia	4.9
Ghana	7.0
Guinea	3.0
Kenya	16.9
Liberia	3.2
Mali	5.0
Mozambique	1.8
Senegal	13.4
Sierra Leone	4.0
South Africa	0.1
Tanzania	0.3
Togo	5.0
Uganda	12.7
Zambia	9.5

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AFRICA

Program expenditure:
\$132.3m

Countries: Angola, Benin, Burkino Faso, Burundi, Cape Verde, Chad, Congo, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Mali, Mozambique, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia



Key to map

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- Development programs managed
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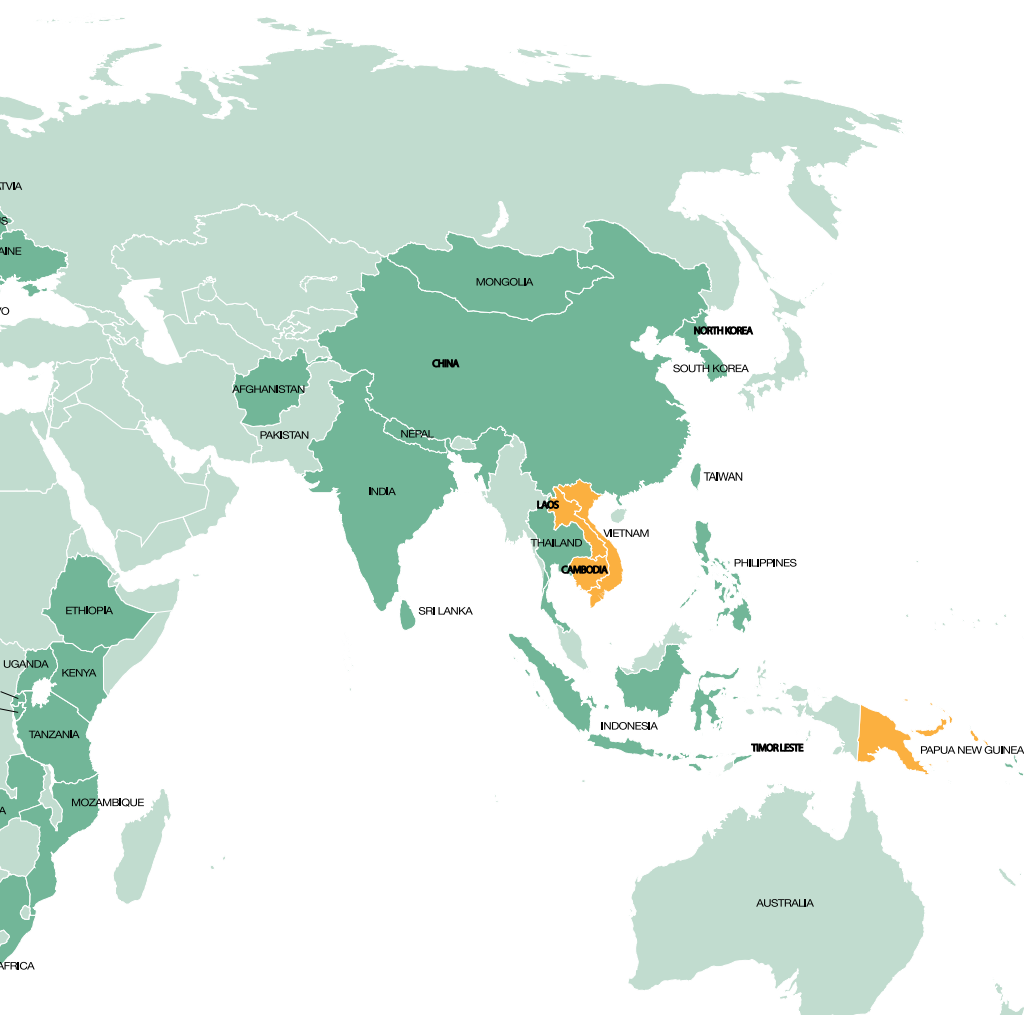
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Program expenditure for some countries not
in Australian dollars.

THE WORLD

global network of 12 organisations
communities in 57 countries

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.



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EASTERN EUROPE & MIDDLE EAST

Program expenditure: \$8.1m

Countries: Afghanistan, Albania, Belarus, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Serbia, Ukraine

Eastern Europe & Middle East	AUD\$m
Afghanistan	5.7
Albania	0.1
Belarus	1.3
Latvia	0.7
Ukraine	0.1

Asia & Pacific	AUD\$m
Cambodia	0.9
India	20.0
Indonesia	9.5
Mongolia	1.0
Nepal	0.3
North Korea	1.4
Papua New Guinea	0.9
Philippines	11.4
South Korea	76.3
Sri Lanka	9.9
Taiwan	87.3
Thailand	7.2
Timor Leste	3.0
Vietnam	3.3

Members of the ChildFund Alliance also implemented additional smaller programs in China, Jamaica, Lithuania, Moldova, Peru, Rwanda and Serbia.

ASIA & PACIFIC

Program expenditure: \$232.4m

Countries: Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Nepal, North Korea, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor Leste, Vietnam

PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS

Every ChildFund Australia program is designed to improve the lives of children, within the environment of their family and community. We seek to help children develop by tackling the root causes of poverty and focusing on areas that directly affect their health and wellbeing. Following are just some of the program achievements from 2008-09

Building futures through education

ChildFund Australia's education programs increase children's participation in school and improve the quality of their education.

- **Cambodia:** Three primary schools and three kindergartens were completed, giving more than 2200 children access to a quality education. Two hundred bicycles were provided to children, mainly girls, to help them travel quickly and safely to school.
- **Sri Lanka:** Five pre-schools were constructed and another five were upgraded, benefiting 5646 children, parents and staff in the Puttalam and Anuradhapura districts.



One of five new pre-schools in Sri Lanka



Students in their new classroom in Cambodia

- **Ethiopia:** Child-friendly teaching methodologies were implemented in eight schools, benefiting 6458 children in the Buee area. Child rights clubs and child protection committees were established in each school.
- **Vietnam:** Two pre-schools were completed, seven additional schools were resourced and a new curriculum was developed.
- **Dominica:** A youth empowerment program in the Sineku community reduced the high level of social problems, including teen pregnancy and substance abuse. The youth are now motivated and enthusiastic about school and are achieving academic success.
- **India:** A residential education program was developed for disabled children. The 10-month course increases their confidence and capacity to enter mainstream schooling.
- **Honduras:** The child-friendly model was rolled out in 15 more schools and 38 existing schools continued to be supported. Student governments were introduced in each school.



Creating child-friendly schools in Ethiopia



Improving food security in Uganda

Self-sufficiency through livelihoods

ChildFund Australia implements nutrition and food security programs to improve children's health and help households achieve self-sufficiency.

- **Vietnam:** Farmer training in 23 communes led to significant increases in rice, maize and pig production for 6971 households. In addition, seven microcredit schemes were established serving 5164 households and improved irrigation was supplied to 366 households.
- **Ethiopia:** 120 youth in North Shewa received vocational training, with 113 going on to secure employment. Two milk processing centres were completed and 70 women were trained in milk processing.
- **Uganda:** Food security was enhanced in conflict-affected communities through the establishment of seven school gardens. Income gains were reported for 85 youth who participated in vocational training.
- **Sri Lanka:** A microcredit project in Trincomalee provided 90 people with loans to re-establish livelihoods in conflict-affected communities. The loans were provided for income-generating activities, including animal farming, agriculture and small business.
- **Cambodia:** A youth group in Svay Rieng was given vocational, leadership and life skills training, and benefited from the establishment of a communal fish pond, which will provide much-needed livelihood opportunities in their area.



Putting training into practice

Hay Hean is the son of a farmer and lives with his family in Cambodia's Svay Rieng province. At 21, he is the eldest of four children.

Hean was forced to drop out of school in grade nine to move to the city to find work and help support his family. His first job was to strip frog's skin for supply to a local market. This earned him about 5000 Riel (A\$1.35) a day. He then began transporting goods on his bicycle, earning him about 10,000-12,000 Riel (A\$2.70-\$3.20) per day.

During the rainy season, he would return to his village to help his family plant their rice crops. In the dry season, he would return again to harvest the crops.

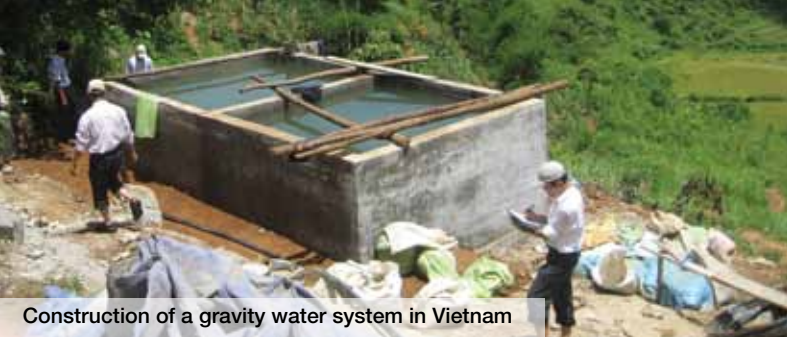
In November 2008, during one of these visits, Hean discovered that ChildFund Cambodia was looking for a youth representative to be involved in a youth development program. Hean was nominated and selected to represent his village. He attended training sessions in leadership, life skills, small business management and fish hatchery management.

Hean has since put his training into practice and established his own fish pond and vegetable garden at home, providing food and income opportunities. He has also become a role model for others in the community who have come to learn from him.

Despite being busy with his own business initiatives, Hean continues to remain active in the youth group, saying: "I am glad I have made the right decision to join youth group."



Youth group in Cambodia



Construction of a gravity water system in Vietnam

Reducing disease with clean water and hygiene

ChildFund Australia's water and sanitation programs provide safe drinking water and hygienic facilities, which reduce the incidence of disease, the child mortality rate and the burden suffered by women and children who have to walk long distances to access water.

- **Vietnam:** Communities in Hoa Binh and Bac Kan provinces have benefited from the construction of 690 double-vault latrines, 250 animal waste pits, five waste collection points, 21 rain water tanks, 100 bio-sand water filters, two gravity water systems, 40 wells and 123 bathrooms. In addition, 224 training sessions on hygiene were conducted for primary school students.
- **Timor-Leste:** The installation of water pipelines in two communities is supplying fresh water to families for the first time. Also constructed were 15 water wells, 54 community toilets, water systems for five early childhood centres, and toilets and water tanks for four early childhood centres.
- **Brazil:** Rooftop rainwater catchment systems were installed on houses in the drought-prone Jequitinhonha Valley region. One reservoir stores enough water to supply a family of five for six months and has helped stem the spread of water-borne diseases.
- **Kenya:** The construction of a water dam was completed in Ikasi, providing water to 350 households and reducing the time and effort expended by women and children to collect safe water.
- **Cambodia:** In Svay Rieng province, 208 household latrines and 20 wells were constructed, 42 well sites were tested to ensure communities are using clean water and 20 wells were rehabilitated. In addition, four training sessions were organised in well and latrine maintenance.



Clean water for children in Vietnam



Bringing safe water to Keembe

When ChildFund Australia's affiliate in Zambia drilled 10 new boreholes, those living in the area saw immediate improvements. Women and children no longer had to walk long distances in search of clean water. School performance and attendance also improved.

"My three children used to have to wake up in the early morning before school to fetch clean water from the stream 2km away from our village," says Beatrice from the Keembe community in Chibombo. "Now because of the boreholes, the distance has been shortened to 200m, and my children no longer have to wake up at early morning. They are able to get to school on time."

Previously, children in these communities were suffering from frequent diarrhoeal diseases as a result of drinking unsafe water, leading to malnutrition, stunted growth and even death. Now the children have safe water, the incidence of diarrhoeal diseases has been reduced.



New aid post in Papua New Guinea

Better health outcomes for children

ChildFund Australia's health programs focus on proven, low-cost interventions, such as immunisations, improved nutrition, anti-malarial bed-nets and health education.

- **Guatemala:** Neonatal mortality has decreased by 31 per cent following the implementation of ChildFund programs delivering improved maternal and newborn care.
- **Papua New Guinea:** ChildFund built two aid posts, enabled the delivery of child and maternal health care to 11 remote communities and increased community capacity to prevent and manage diseases.



Peer educators teaching reproductive health in the Philippines

- **Philippines:** Six new birthing centres were opened in the Camarines Sur community, providing pre- and post-natal care, nutrition information and skilled birth attendants. Youth, parents and the community were trained in adolescent reproductive health issues to improve awareness and support for young people in Roxas City.
- **Senegal:** Malnutrition rates for children under five have dropped from nearly 40 per cent to 9 per cent in the communities where ChildFund operates. ChildFund has also contributed to Senegal's overall reduction of malnutrition from over 30 per cent to 12 per cent as families learn the importance of varying their diets.

Addressing HIV/AIDS

ChildFund Australia assists children and communities impacted by HIV and AIDS through awareness and prevention measures, income-generation activities, educational assistance and psychosocial support.

- **Kenya, Uganda and Zambia:** ChildFund has assisted more than 11,000 people in eight districts with programs addressing the social, emotional and physical needs of orphans and other vulnerable children. The programs have been successful in increasing their participation in school, establishing caregiver support groups, addressing issues of inheritance, providing youth with vocational education and reducing the level of stigma and discrimination attached to HIV and AIDS.
- **Papua New Guinea:** The Youth and HIV program has been working to raise awareness of HIV and AIDS and reduce high-risk behaviour among young people. One recent initiative saw ChildFund PNG team up with local youth and musicians to produce a CD of songs with awareness-raising messages.



Governor-General visits Chainda

In March 2009, Australia's Governor-General Quentin Bryce visited communities in Chainda, Zambia, where ChildFund is working to improve care and support systems for HIV-affected and other vulnerable children. Many children in Chainda have lost their parents and now fend for themselves. The project helps to ensure these children are well-supported by their guardians and community. Ms Bryce said: "I offer to all of you my congratulations for the important and remarkable work you do every day, protecting human rights by providing vital services in health and education and in the struggle against HIV and AIDS."

Protecting children in emergencies

ChildFund Australia assists in emergencies that occur in countries where we have active programs. In 2008-09, emergency assistance was provided during the drought in Ethiopia and the humanitarian crisis in Sri Lanka.



Emergency feeding program in Ethiopia

When Ethiopia was hit by drought in early 2008, farmers lost their crops, food prices soared and millions of children and their families faced starvation. With funds raised by ChildFund Australia, our affiliate organisation in Ethiopia established an emergency feeding program to provide life-saving food rations to malnourished children and adults.

Approximately 2000 children under five were provided with nutrient-rich formulas for three months, while 2666 adults were given bags of maize over a six-month period. In a matter of weeks, families were on the road to recovery.

Father of 11 Dessissa told us: “My children have regained their health and are able to play. Thanks to ChildFund, my children did not die.”

Phase two of the emergency response focused on improving the resilience of families to future food shortages. The project assisted households to build rainwater tanks and introduce drought-resistant crops and farm animals.

Households were assessed according to need and capacity. As a result, 910 community members benefited from the construction of 15 rainwater tanks, the planting of 134 hectares of enset and the provision of 45 oxen, 42 donkeys and 200 goats.

In Sri Lanka, where civil conflict has displaced thousands of families, our partner organisation ChildFund Sri Lanka was among the first NGOs to be granted security clearance to provide assistance in the internally displaced persons (IDP) camps.

With funding from ChildFund Australia, an emergency response team immediately began distributing relief items, including food, water, hygiene kits, medicine and a refrigerator in which to keep the medicine.

Five child-centred spaces, children’s clubs and youth clubs were also established to provide a safe place for children to play and learn, and to help minimise the trauma that can affect young people in conflict zones. In addition, ChildFund contributed to the cost of establishing nine early childhood centres and five libraries, and provided education and sports materials.

For children like five-year-old Rasika, who lost a number of family members in the armed conflict and has undergone repeated evacuations during his short life, such programs have helped restore a sense of normalcy.

“Recently there is a place for our play activities,” says Rasika. “I regularly attend this place to play, sing and dance. The people who look after us are very nice.”

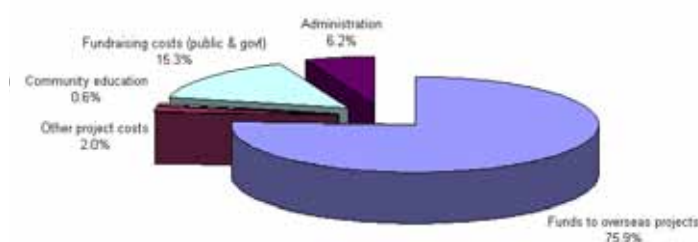
With the emergency ongoing, ChildFund continues to work responsively to the needs of children and their families living in the camps, focusing on health, education, livelihoods training and child protection.



Assisting families in IDP camps in Sri Lanka

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2009

Income statement	2009 (\$)	2008 (\$)
REVENUE		
Donations/gifts (monetary & non-monetary)	29,513,231	26,554,607
Legacies & bequests	154,440	160,182
Grants		
• AusAID	3,603,486	3,403,673
• Other Australian	-	-
• Other overseas	2,652,844	1,590,865
Investment income	228,208	199,255
Other income	447,912	471,452
Total revenue	36,600,121	32,380,034
DISBURSEMENTS		
Overseas projects		
• Funds to overseas projects	27,524,491	24,238,342
• Other project costs	735,541	747,629
Domestic projects	-	-
Community education	222,032	315,383
Fundraising costs		
• Public	5,464,663	5,048,676
• Government, multilaterals & private	80,190	83,816
Administration	2,255,239	2,639,924
Total expenses	36,282,156	33,073,770
Surplus/(deficit) from operating activities	317,965	(693,736)
Impairment of investments	(531,939)	-
Excess/(shortfall) of revenue over disbursements from continuing operations	(213,974)	(693,736)



Statement of changes in equity (2009)				
	Retained surplus	Fair value reserve	Restricted reserves	Total equity
Balance as at 1 July 2008	2,016,433	(292,643)	924,518	2,648,308
Net deficit for the period	(213,974)	-	-	(213,974)
Change in fair value of investments	-	297,806	-	297,806
Transfer (to)/from reserves	(242,122)	-	242,122	-
Balance as at 30 June 2009	1,560,337	5,163	1,166,640	2,732,140

Table of cash movements for designated purposes (2009)				
	Cash available at beginning of financial year	Cash raised during financial year	Cash disbursed during financial year	Cash available at end of financial year
Total for all other purposes	3,478,274	36,929,774	(35,475,914)	4,932,134
Total	3,478,274	36,929,774	(35,475,914)	4,932,134

Balance sheet	2009 (\$)	2008 (\$)
ASSETS		
Current assets		
• Cash & cash equivalents	4,932,134	3,478,274
• Financial assets	-	-
• Trade & other receivables	412,509	381,814
Total current assets	5,344,643	3,860,088
Non-current assets		
• Investments	1,352,105	1,586,237
• Property, plant & equipment	1,045,762	1,126,879
• Other	-	-
Total non-current assets	2,397,867	2,713,116
Total assets	7,742,510	6,573,204
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
• Trade & other payables	4,803,542	3,703,942
• Loans and borrowings	4,274	4,356
• Employee benefits provision	156,057	190,353
Total current liabilities	4,963,873	3,898,651
Non-current liabilities		
• Payables	-	-
• Other	46,497	26,245
Total non-current liabilities	46,497	26,245
Total liabilities	5,010,370	3,924,896
Net assets	2,732,140	2,648,308
EQUITY		
Unrestricted reserves	1,565,500	1,723,790
Restricted reserves	1,166,640	924,518
Total equity	2,732,140	2,648,308

Independent report to the members of ChildFund Australia



We have audited the summarised financial report of ChildFund Australia for the year ended 30 June 2009, comprising the income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and table of cash movements for designated purposes.

In our opinion, the information reported in the summarised financial report* is consistent with the annual statutory financial report dated 25 September 2009, from which it is derived.

For a better understanding of the scope of our audit, this report should be read in conjunction with our audit report in the annual statutory financial report.

B Mitchell, Partner, KPMG
10 Shelley Street, Sydney NSW 2000

Notes:

*Audited full financial statements are available from the ChildFund Australia website at www.childfund.org.au.

No single appeal or other form of fundraising for a designated purpose generated 10% or more of total income for the period under review.

Thanks to all our supporters



Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, ChildFund Australia raised \$36.6m in 2008-09, including \$23.6m through sponsorship and \$1.5m from Project Humanity.

In July 2008, \$337,721 was raised for the Ethiopia Emergency Feeding Appeal, which helped save the lives of thousands of malnourished children and adults.

In November 2008, the Vietnam Pre-school Construction Appeal raised \$75,722, which funded the construction of four new classrooms, a hygienic school kitchen and sanitary latrines.

In May 2009, \$210,232 was raised for the East Timor Child and Mother Health Appeal, which will help improve child and maternal health care in under-resourced rural communities.

Hundreds of Australians bought gifts from our Donations with a Difference catalogue, raising \$411,592. This provided thousands of resources, including 3090 hens for families in Cambodia and 1350 mosquito nets for children in Uganda.

In addition, 19,715 sponsors sent a birthday card to their sponsored child, raising \$321,748.50, and 51 sponsors visited their sponsored child with the assistance of our hard-working sponsor relations department.

We would also like to thank all of our wonderful volunteers and everybody who supported ChildFund Australia's Through Children's Eyes exhibition.

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Our ambassadors



Frankie J Holden

Frankie J Holden is one of Australia's most popular entertainers. Since launching his music career in the rock group Ol' 55, Frankie has gone on to appear in a variety of television dramas. Most recently, he appeared in the acclaimed series *Underbelly*.



Lynne McGranger

Lynne McGranger is *Home and Away*'s second-longest serving cast member, and one of Australia's most popular and well-known actors. Lynne is also a generous supporter of ChildFund Australia, having been a sponsor for over a decade.



Sue Ismiel

Sue Ismiel is one of Australia's leading businesswomen and entrepreneurs, after establishing the Nad's brand of skincare products. An active philanthropist, Sue is also the sponsor of 101 Ethiopian children through ChildFund Australia.



Michelle Pettigrove

Michelle is one of Australia's most recognisable actors, appearing in a range of television shows, including *A Country Practice*, *Brides of Christ* and *Home and Away*. She has also been a sponsor with ChildFund Australia for over 15 years.

ChildFund Australia is a member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) and a signatory to the ACFID Code of Conduct. The Code requires members to meet high standards of corporate governance, public accountability and financial management. For more information, contact ACFID or ChildFund Australia.

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