



After Typhoon Haiyan, Developers Foundation organised planting drives in 7 barangays or towns. Already the extra food has helped farmers survive a tough farming year. Developers Foundation

## Spring Story

# WE CAN DO MORE

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Six years ago the region was badly hit by the super typhoon Haiyan. Developers organised corrugated iron for roofing for 3,061 homes with your donations. Once housing had been addressed, the focus switched to restoring food and livelihood opportunities.

Years of work in the community meant staff had a responsibility to help but also the capacity to raise outside support to make sure everyone survived. Thanks to your donations Christian World Service was able to fund their plans across seven barangays.

### NERMA'S STORY

Just when they were starting to get back on their feet after the super typhoon, Nerma says this year's El Nino has been hard on the community. She tells her story:

"We faced numerous challenges during the extended dry spell. Our land dried up due to the scorching heat and lack of rainfall for almost eight months.

I took a bath using half of our small bucket of water. During the day, we could only get half a jug of water from our pump after an hour or so. That is why we had to stay up until 1 am every night just to fill up our water pails and do our laundry. After rinsing our clothes, we used the water for selected vegetables and root crops especially those planted near our house.

Even our forage grasses dried up, threatening the lives of our four cows. In order to feed our hungry cows, we cut down our stunted banana trees and chopped the banana trunks and leaves. We used these for feeding our



In each barangay, people learn basic first aid skills in case another disaster strikes.

cows. Without the banana trees, our cows would have perished. In spite of the dry spell and although some of the younger fruits were much smaller, our banana trees provided our family and farm animals with food.

Whatever other crops we harvested from our plants, we used for family consumption. For instance, we cooked the sweet potato and cassava leaves as vegetables, and boiled the tubers as well.

When the rains finally arrived, there wasn't enough water from our pump for quite some time. Right now, our water supply is just beginning to normalise."

### RECOVERING FROM THE TYPHOON

Nerma took part in the annual planting drives organised by Developers Foundation. Joining others in her community, she spent long days planting bananas, root crops and vegetables as part of the community effort.





Already Dely is earning a regular income from the bananas she learned to dry as part of the training programme.



Joanna harvests cassava from her new trees to prepare for her family's dinner.



In Lupit they planted 8,060 trees and root crops as a buffer against food shortages.

Together they planted more than 120,000 trees and root crops for over 1,300 households. It was a marathon effort but for Nerma it meant she had a buffer to get through a difficult El Nino season without losing her cows.

Developers worked closely with the leadership of the barangays to draw up new development plans and run workshops on climate change and disaster recovery. They built a Talipapa or local market which is proving a success. Families are selling surplus produce and fish, drying bananas and making pickles or muffins to sell. More money is staying in the local economy and it is providing a welcome meeting point for people in the region.

## NERMA CONTINUES

"As for benefits from the planting drive --- these are many. The plants are motivating me to exercise, keeping my body resistant to diseases. Looking at my healthy plants makes me happy and relaxed. The more plants we produce, the fresher air we are going to have. Also, if we didn't have our bananas, our cows would have died.

During normal weather conditions, we generated good income and additional food from our harvest. We utilised our income to purchase medicine, milk, coffee, rice and other basic commodities.

Our family's planting drive encouraged others to do the same. For example, my brother now has his own plots of root crops and vegetables.

As of now, we haven't yet started to replant our root crops in our larger plot of land because the soil is still hard to till. But we plan to resume our production in the very near future."

At 61 years old, Nerma knows she has to put in the effort now to protect her family and income for the future. She and other members of neighbouring communities need thousands of seedlings and roots to plant. Developers wants to build another smaller local market at a more isolated barangay further inland. They have already seen how a market brings the whole community together and improves family livelihoods.

**Please support the Spring Appeal, so families like Nerma's can secure their livelihoods despite the uncertain weather.**

## EL NIÑO PROVES A CHALLENGE

Nerma has worked hard all of her life. Each day has its regular rhythm as she prepares food, attends to household chores and works on the land. She eats the food her family grows or harvests from the sea – and the small amount she earns from selling what they do not eat. Other family members catch fish. Her neighbours do the same. In her community or barangay on the northern coast of Aklan province in the Philippines, they look out for each other.

The seven month El Niño has damaged rice, vegetable and coconut crops the most. The high water salinity and temperature killed fish, cutting local catches.

Families like Nerma's were glad to draw on the root crops and trees they had planted. The bananas were small but enough to keep the family fed and with a little left over to share with those in need.

They are waiting for more rain to harvest root crops. At the moment the ground is too hard to dig.



Nerma (pictured right) explains how important the extra food has been during the difficult El Niño season.



# SUMMARY ANNUAL REVIEW

1 JULY 2018 - 30 JUNE 2019

Over the last year, Christian World Service has worked hard to be a lifeline, connecting our generous supporters with our dedicated local partners.

The Christmas Appeal "Be the Lifeline" picked up this theme, showing how partners' work is contributing to the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals to "leave no one behind". They are addressing the causes of poverty and providing practical support to meet the social and economic needs of people who would otherwise miss out. Donations to all of our appeals sustain the work we do to make big change happen.

For some of our partners this has been a challenging year. In particular, the demand for assistance for refugees and displaced people from South Sudan and Syria puts significant pressure on partners responding to their needs. International funding for these crises has been falling, making their work more critical to survival and access to education and medical care. The changing political climate in some places has narrowed the space for efforts to uphold human rights and in Palestine contributed to heightening tensions. High levels of inequality and exposure to the effects of climate change continue to have a disproportionate impact on poor people.

In September, Central Sulawesi, Indonesia was hit by the double disaster of earthquake and tsunami. In March, Cyclone Idai destroyed crops, homes and livelihoods in Malawi, Mozambique and Zimbabwe. We are grateful for donations to all of our appeals. We received a matching grant from the New Zealand Government for Indonesia.

In November, I attended the ACT Alliance Assembly in Uppsala, Sweden. The global meeting adopted a new way of working and the new strategic plan. Over the next seven years, the Alliance will focus on climate justice, gender justice, peace and human security, migration and displacement, and emergency preparedness and humanitarian response.

In June, CWS was pleased to support the visit of Rosa Moiwend (pictured above), a community organiser and researcher from West Papua. During her national tour, she spoke about the human rights struggles of Papuans and their desire for self-determination.

CWS has recognised the vulnerability of its financial position and is working with Black Advertising to expand fundraising efforts. Our goal is to acquire more supporters than we lose each year. You will note we have recorded a deficit for the first time since 2013.

CWS is committed to sharing the stories from our partners with our donors and partner churches. Together we are working to make everyday life better for people who may not have enough food or water, live with violence and insecurity, and want a greater say in the decisions that affect them.

Thank you for joining us.

**Pauline McKay**  
National Director



## SUMMARY FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

### Income

Christmas Appeal	349,719
Regular Appeals	133,289
General Donations	192,902
Designated Donations - Development (including Gifted, Operation Refugee)	94,425
Bequests	116,655
Designated Donations - Emergency	188,248
Grants (Church and Trust)	37,280
Government Funds	149,651
Other income (including interest)	52,583

**Total Income 1,314,752**

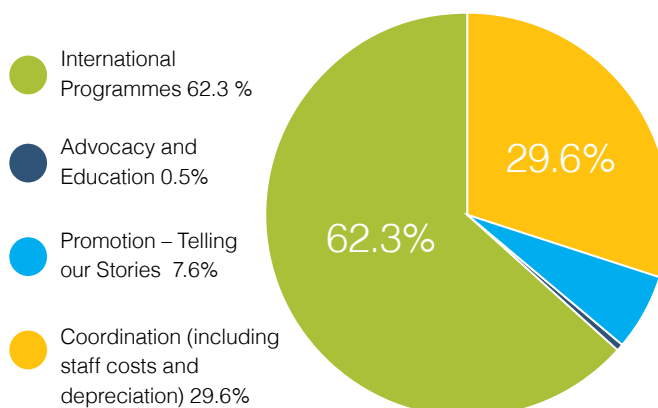
### Expenditure

International Programmes Funding	1,054,604
Education and Relationships	8,215
Promotion	128,854
Coordination (including staff costs and depreciation)	501,852

**Total Expenditure 1,693,525**

**Excess Expenditure over Income (378,773)**

### HOW WE SPENT OUR FUNDS 2018-19



This summary is taken from the full statement of accounts that has been prepared for audit. The full audited accounts and annual review will be available after they have been approved by the Annual General Meeting, on 23 November.

Note: The deficit includes government funding and designated reserves carried over from previous years.

# PARTNERS FUNDED 2018/19

## AFRICA

### Ethiopia

*ACT Alliance drought relief*

### Malawi, Mozambique and Zimbabwe

*ACT Alliance emergency response*

### South Sudan

*ACT Alliance emergency response*

*Maridi Service Agency – youth programme and displaced women*

### Uganda

*Centre for Community Solidarity – rainwater harvesting  
OneDay Health*

**Regional Total \$168,864**



Photo: ACT Alliance/  
Paul Jeffrey

## ASIA

### Bangladesh

*ACT Alliance – Rohingya emergency response*

### India

*ACT Alliance – Kerala floods emergency response*

*EKTA Gender Training Programme*

*Human Rights Foundation Empowering Women in  
Local Government*

*NEYTHAL Coastal Protection and Cyclone Gaja  
emergency response*

*Social Action for New Development training women advocates,  
farmers and children*

*Women Development Resource Centre*

### Indonesia

*ACT Alliance – earthquake and tsunami response*

### Philippines

*Developers Foundation-Integrated Development and Disaster  
Recovery and mangrove rehabilitation*

*ACT Alliance – Typhoon Mangkhut emergency response*

### Sri Lanka

*Devasarana Development Centre*

*Movement for Land and Agricultural Reform*

*Women's Centre Programme for workers*

**Regional Total \$573,886**

## LATIN AMERICA

### Guatemala

*Transitions – people with disabilities*

### Haiti

*Institut Culturel Karl Léveque (ICKL) – Education programme*

### Nicaragua

*Consejo de Iglesias Evangélicas Pro-Alianza Denominacional  
(CEPAD) – National Community Development Programme*

**Regional Total \$40,955**



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## MIDDLE EAST

### Iraq

*Community World Service Asia – earthquake response*

### Palestine/Lebanon/Jordan/Israel

*Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR) – general  
programme, Gaza emergency response, health and education  
programmes for Syrian refugees*

**Regional Total \$126,914**

## PACIFIC

### Regional

*Pacific Conference of Churches*

### Aotearoa

*Peace Movement Aotearoa*

### Fiji

*Social Empowerment Education Programme*

### Timor Leste

*Dominican Sisters education programme*

### Tonga

*Tonga Community Development Trust Ama Takiloa and Cyclone  
Gita response*

### West Papua

*Visits by Wensislaus Fatubum and Rosa Moiwend*

**Regional Total \$50,313**

## INTERNATIONAL

*ACT Alliance*

**Total \$7,066**

## ADMINISTRATION, APPRAISAL, MONITORING AND EVALUATION

**Total \$16,449**

**Total Programme Funding \$984,447**

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