



Bearing fruit

Mercy Works continues to respond to ever growing needs with the expansion of activities in Australia and overseas.

Thanks to your generous support Mercy Works is able to expand its assistance to those in need. Our projects in Papua New Guinea and the Mercy Connect projects in Australia, while continuing, adapt to changing needs. Our philosophy of engaging with the local people who tell us their needs means that each year there are different outcomes for these clients.

The injection of funds into educational projects in Papua New Guinea is beginning to bear fruit. Four new dormitories in three secondary schools are nearing completion. The purchase of buses for the students at St Gabriel's School Kiunga has meant that the girls can get to and from school safely. Twenty-nine students, recipients of scholarships, are completing their first year of tertiary study. Newly trained teachers in remote villages in the West Sepik area are being supported with the provision of resources through social media and street children in Port Moresby are being given access to informal education. All these initiatives will have long term benefits to these young Papua New Guineans.

After 12 years Sister Helen Nolen RSM is completing her ministry in Timor Leste. She is able to look back with satisfaction on the many achievements during her time there. Included are the early childhood centres which have been built in remote villages, teachers have been training, a network has been set up to support them and the children receive a nutritious meal each day. Helen has been working with the Fundacoa Sagrado Coracao de Jesus (FSCJ) in the Diocese of Maliana assisting them in the establishment of a solid education system. Mercy Works hopes to continue this

collaboration with FSCJ.

Now that the Government is granting temporary protection visas to asylum seekers, the needs at the Mercy House of Welcome in Adelaide are changing. It is becoming more urgent to provide legal assistance to these people as they make their applications. If granted, they are moving into seasonal employment and if rejected need emotional support. The challenges for these people continue and the Mercy House of Welcome endeavours to assist them.

New projects in Papua New Guinea this year include the provision of safe drinking water along villages in the Sepik River and the building of housing for teachers in remote villages along the Fly River. In Australia, a project for Indigenous children, called Mercy Access, is beginning in the Shepparton area in Victoria. All in all, Mercy Works is continuing to respond to needs as they arise.

Thanks to our marketing and community education efforts we have been able to turn the previous year's financial loss into a modest surplus. We have been able to connect with a larger number of generous donors who have responded to our call. We are grateful for the support of our many friends and encourage you to continue with your support as we respond to ever growing needs. Without you our work will not continue.

Finally, I thank the Members, Directors staff and volunteers for your support. Your contributions are absolutely vital and very much appreciated.

Berice Livermore RSM
Chair of the Board

Our Projects

Across Papua New Guinea, Timor Leste and Australia, we help support communities as they seek to achieve meaningful positive change. We respond to local needs, raising awareness and seeking to help the communities we work with.

Timor-Leste

- Supporting early childhood learning through Montessori training
- Building new early childhood learning centres
- Upgrading facilities in pre-primary and primary schools

Northern Territory

- Supporting staff and indigenous students at preschool, promoting nutrition, reading and social development

Western Australia

- Helping students from a refugee/humanitarian background through Mercy Connect Perth

New South Wales

- Helping students from a refugee/humanitarian background through Mercy Connect Sydney
- Building a gathering space and accommodation to help indigenous women return to the community after prison

South Australia

- Mercy House of Welcome: a space for asylum seekers to access support services and break down isolation



Papua New Guinea

Kiunga

- Skills training to help women run their own small market
- Low cost child care where children learn motor skills, health and hygiene
- Promoting village health to reduce maternal and infant mortality and improve access to clean water and safe sanitation
- Addressing sex and gender based violence
- Establishing a sustainable Eaglewood plantation
- Sponsorships for further education
- Building school dormitories and providing buses
- Building infrastructure in Lower Bamu to support education (classrooms and teachers housing)



- Skills and life training (includes preventing domestic violence, health & anger management, training participants to develop small local markets, sewing, food processing and preservation)

Port Moresby

- Training for Primary teachers in remote villages
- Street children's program
- Supporting basic skills development and training programs

Wewak

- Financial support for young people to access tertiary education
- Remote teachers supported through the use of mobile technology
- Upgrading school dormitory
- Providing access to clean drinking water to two locations

Goroka & Mt Hagen

- Drop in centres for information, referrals and support
- Helping rehabilitate prisoners
- Radio broadcasts to highlight human rights, social issues and spread information



Queensland

- Supporting weekly English classes for women from asylum seeker and refugee backgrounds in the Toowoomba Diocese

Victoria

- Helping students from a refugee/humanitarian background through our Mercy Connect programs in Melbourne and Ballarat
- Mercy Access: a volunteer program mentoring Indigenous students



Mercy Works' people

Everyone involved in delivering Mercy Works programs shares an enduring commitment to delivering positive change for people in need.

Our Company



Barbara Bolster RSM
Institute Councillor

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Institute Vicar

Theresia Tina RSM
Institute Councillor

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Parramatta

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Our Staff 1 JULY 2015 TO 30 JUNE 2016

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Income Statement			Statement of Changes in Equity				
For year ended 30 June 2016			For year ended 30 June 2016				
	2016	2015		Retained Earnings	Reserves	Other	Total
Revenue	\$	\$					
Donations and Gifts			Balance as 1 July 2015	1,356,619	-	-	1,356,619
▪ Monetary	4,705,872	1,105,867	Adjustment or changes in Equity	-	-	-	-
▪ Non Monetary	-	-	Items of other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-
Grants – Other Australian	73,115	20,933	Excess of revenue over expenses	58,484	-	-	58,484
Grants – Other Overseas	27,500	164,932	Other amounts transferred (to)/from reserves	-	-	-	-
Bequests	-	62,939					
Investment Income	49,189	47,946	Balance as 30 June 2016	1,415,103	-	-	1,415,103
Other Income	411,328	327,633					
Total Revenue	5,267,004	1,730,250	Table of Cash Movements				
Expenditure	\$	\$	For year ended 20 June 2016				
International Aid and Development Programs Expenditure			Designated Purpose	Cash available at beginning of the year	Cash raised during the year	Cash disbursed during the year	Cash available at the end of the year
International Programs			Papua New Guinea	964,890	3,630,877	4,084,992	510,775
▪ Funds to International Programs	4,000,415	806,953	East Timor	-	243,932	243,932	-
▪ Program Support Costs	83,729	77,788	Philippines	7,743	7,957	15,700	-
▪ Community Education	20,208	11,362	Domestic Projects	850	713,953	713,953	850
Fundraising Costs			Other Non Designated Purposes	783,077	854,472	1,287,590	349,959
▪ Public	100,764	52,895	Total	1,756,560	5,451,191	6,346,167	861,584
▪ Government, multilateral and private	-	-	The income for our programmes comes from a wide variety of donors, including the Sisters of Mercy, associated ministries and other members of the public.				
▪ Accountability and Administration	237,613	84,915	During the year, specified donations have been received for Papua New Guinea, East Timor, the Philippines, Mercy Connect and other domestic projects				
Total International Aid and Development Programs Expenditure	4,442,729	1,033,912	A copy of the full audited financial report is available on request. Mercy Works is a signatory to the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) Code of Conduct, which defines minimum standards of governance, management, and accountability for non-government development organisations. Adherence to the Code is monitored by an independent Code of Conduct Committee elected from the NGO community. Our voluntary adherence to the Code of Conduct demonstrates our commitment to ethical practice and public accountability.				
Domestic Program Expenditure (incl Monetary and Non Monetary)	765,791	723,633	The Summary Financial Statements 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 ACFID:				
Total Expenditure	5,208,520	1,757,545					
Excess/(Shortfall) of Revenue Over Expenditure	58,484	(27,295)					
No amounts of grants or donations from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), International Political or Religious Adherence Promotion programmes were received or paid during the year. There were also no non-monetary items to report during the year.			Independent Auditor's Report				
Statement of Financial Position			To the Directors of Mercy Works				
For year ended 30 June 2016			Scope				
	2016	2015	We have audited the summarised financial report of Mercy Works for the twelve months ended 30 June 2016 in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.				
Assets	\$	\$	Audit Opinion				
Current Assets			In our opinion, the information reported in the summarised financial report is consistent with the full financial reports from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report presented to the board on 19 October 2016. For a better understanding of the scope of our audit this report should be read in conjunction with our audit report on the full financial report.				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	861,584	1,756,560	Pitcher Partners				
Trade and Other Receivables	37,157	661,920	Level 22 MLC Centre, 19 Martin Place, Sydney NSW 2000				
Other Financial Assets	1,126,980	-					
Total Current Assets	2,025,721	2,418,480					
Non Current Assets			Spiro Tzannes Partner				
Property, Plant and Equipment	9,219	4,473	Dated this 19 day of October 2016				
Total Non Current Assets	9,219	4,473					
Total Assets	2,034,940	2,422,953					
Liabilities	\$	\$					
Current Liabilities							
Trade and other payables	583,082	1,022,752					
Provisions	36,755	37,807					
Total Current Liabilities	619,837	1,060,559					
Non-Current Liabilities							
Provisions	-	5,775					
Total Non-Current Liabilities	-	5,775					
Total Liabilities	619,837	1,066,334					
Net Assets	1,415,103	1,356,619					
Funds	\$	\$					
Retained Earnings	1,415,103	1,356,619					
Total Funds	1,415,103	1,356,619					