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Chairman's Foreword



2010 started with the devastating news from Haiti of unbelievable destruction and loss of both life and livelihood. The Commission responded both directly and by matching pound for pound the monies that the Bailiffs appeal raised from Islanders.

Also a very important milestone for developing communities, in September 2010, the world's leaders met in New York at the United Nations Headquarters to reaffirm their commitment to deliver the Millennium Development Goals (MDGS) by 2015. It is a mark of the regard in which the work of the Commission is held that we were invited to take part in their discussions. Whilst it must be acknowledged that there is still a long way to go in meeting the aspirations of the goals set in 2000, some noted

progress has been made. We can be proud of the projects which Jersey taxpayers have funded, some of which have been used as pilots to kick start much larger programmes, whilst not forgetting the thousands of lives we have transformed with clean water, shelter, food, education and health centres.

However we must not and cannot be complacent. Whilst I am grateful that the Commission's budget has been maintained, and that we have seen year on year growth during this recession, we as a community cannot be satisfied with our level of monetary aid. We must, as we come out of recession, prioritise our giving of both money and time to those in the developing community. I do recognise that many financial services parent company's provide substantial sums to help with disaster relief in development communities, but I still challenge those in the financial services industry to accept that they have a fundamental role to play in helping deliver the MDGS through encouraging and enabling investment in developing countries, in encouraging skills and knowledge transfer or in direct giving of aid as part of their corporate social responsibility programmes. Jersey Finance gives a lot back to our local community, but I hope it will also look further afield to the developing community. Finance is a necessary part of transforming the developing world. The developing world needs financial services. The President of the World Bank Robert Zoellick said, 'the problem for the poor is not the dominance of market, but the absence of market'. The UN Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon urged businesses to take more action, he argues that 'an investment in the MDGS is an investment in growth, prosperity and the markets of the future'.

Chairman's Foreword

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In August there was a "Grand Reunion" of volunteers who marked forty years of Jersey's participation in community work projects. It was a great celebration of all those who have been ambassadors for Jersey in the developing world. My special thanks go to the Governor, His Excellency, Lieutenant-General Sir Andrew Ridgway and Lady Ridgway for allowing us to use Government House to host a reception and to all those who kindly offered sponsorship throughout that weekend. The reunion would not have happened without the dedication, drive and hard work of Jean Le Maistre, ably helped by JOAC's Administrative Assistant, Karen Nisbet. My grateful thanks to them both.

Much work and preparation goes into delivering our community work programmes and I'd particularly like to thank the following who give their time freely to assisting our volunteers; Dr Simon Slaffer, John Gavey from St John's Ambulance, Charlotte Farrell from De Fayes the Chemist, Tracey Palmer from Infection Control at the Jersey General Hospital, Sarah Gray from ACET and Tony Allchurch from Jersey Health and Safety. As I've said before these projects not only transform the communities visited, but also build lifelong links with Jersey and help transform us.

2010 once again saw States Members who attend Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conferences, in developing countries, visit projects that the Commission has supported. I am grateful to Deputies Le Herrissier and Lewis for visiting a children's project in the slums of Nairobi and a small hospital just outside the city. They were able to build links and see firsthand the value that Jersey receives from its funding.

The Commission is ever mindful of the changing nature of development aid and the continuing need to evaluate processes, governance and best value. With this in mind we have established an Audit Risk Review Committee, which is made up of the Non-States Commissioners to reassess our policies and procedures to ensure optimum value is achieved. If you have any doubt about the value that Jersey receives from its aid, then I can but commend to you the testimonials at the end of this report.

On behalf of all the communities where the Commission has worked in 2010, may I on their behalf say thank you to the taxpayers of Jersey who make it all possible.

Many thanks



May 2011

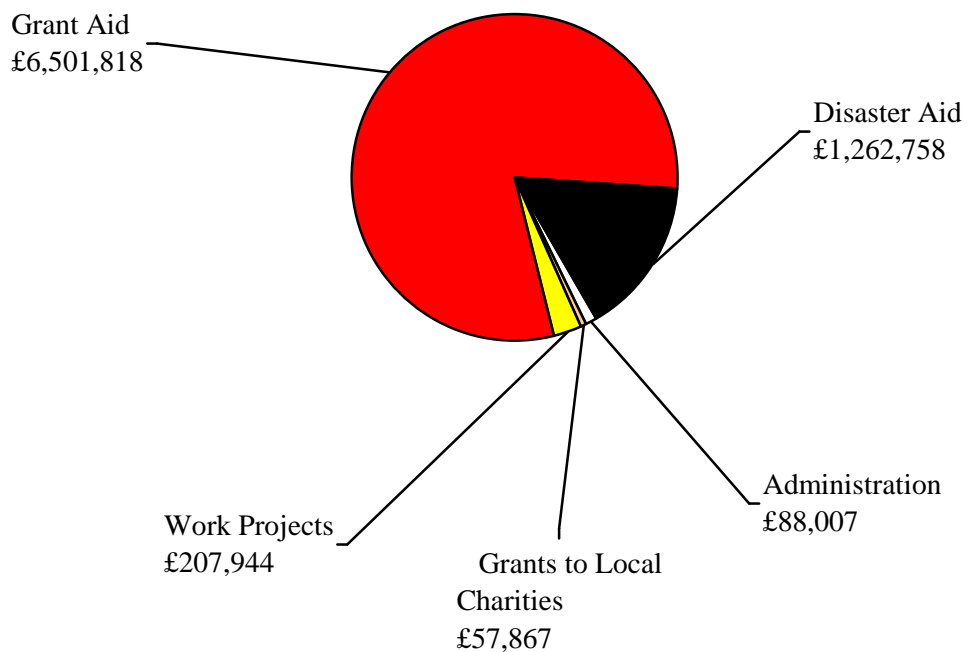
2010 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Balance 1 st January	77,295
States Grant	<u>8,055,000</u>

Net Expenditure

Grant Aid to Agencies	6,510,818	
Disasters and Emergencies	1,262,758	
Community Work Projects	207,944	
Local Charities Working Overseas	57,867	
Administration	88,007	
Balance 31 st December	<u>4,902</u>	8,132,295

Official Aid Contribution from Jersey, 2010



GRANT AID

Three Year Programmes

GRANTS VOTED FOR PROJECTS COMMENCING 2010 DUE FOR COMPLETION END OF 2012

CONCERN

Drought preparedness

Kenya

£150,000 over three years

2010 (£50,000) 2011 (£50,000) 2012 (£50,000)

IMPACT

Provision of basic health, water sanitation and food security

Nepal

£148,108 over three years

2010 (£55,411) 2011 (£46,359) 2012 (£46,338)

MARIE STOPES

Mobile outreach for improved health

Zimbabwe

£147,555 over three years

2010 (£49,753) 2011 (£48,441) 2012 (£49,361)

OXFAM

Improving access to water and sanitation

Sierra Leone

£148,878 over three years

2010 (£61,679) 2011 (£71,554) 2012 (£13,645)

PLAN UK

Water and sanitation provision

Benin

£150,000 over three years

2010 (£71,044) 2011 (£53,961) 2012 (£24,994)

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Improving maternal and newborn health

Ethiopia

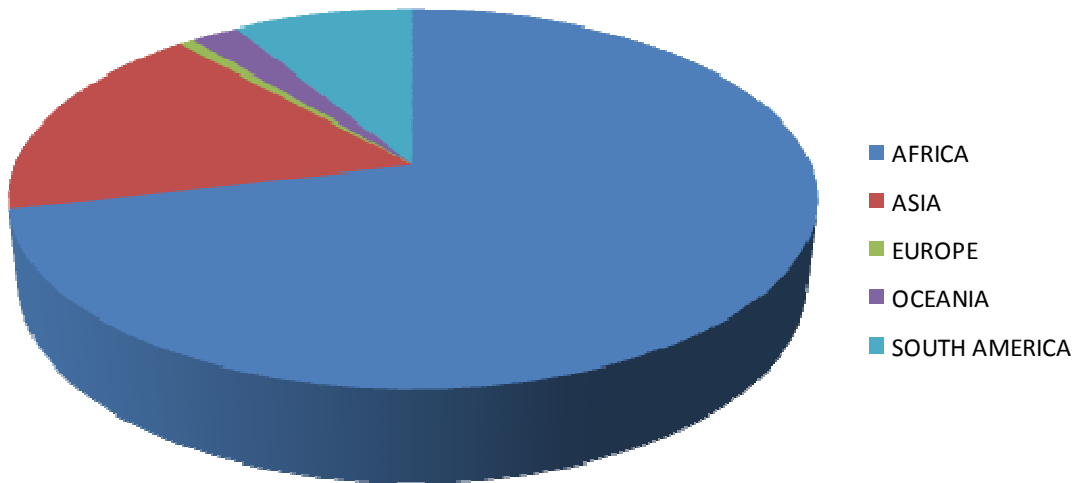
£149,900 over three years

2010 (£51,400) 2011 (£48,200) 2012 (£50,300)

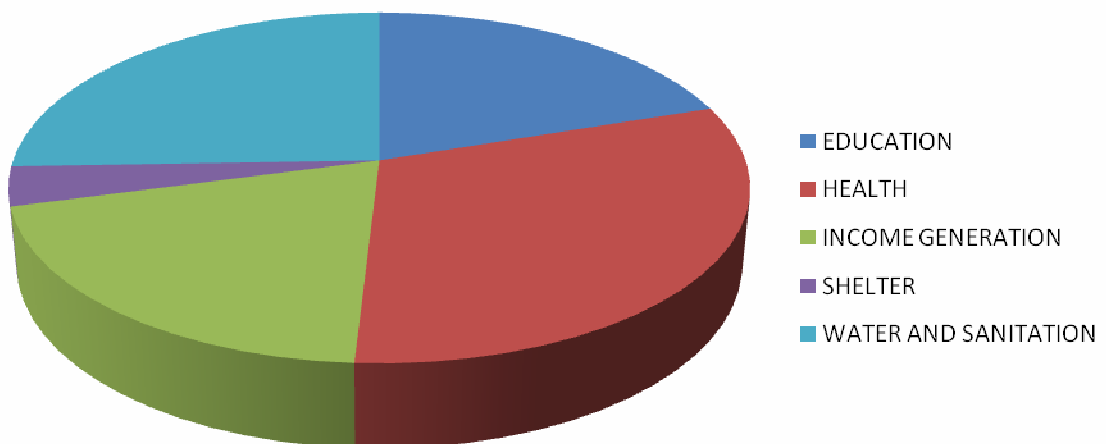
In addition to the above three year grants funding was also released to some agencies for the second and third years of approved three year programmes as outlined in previous annual reports.

GRANT AID
One Year Programmes

2010 Grant Aid by Continent



2010 Grant Aid by Project Type



GRANT AID
One Year Programmes

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010

AbleChildAfrica

Inclusive facilities	Tanzania	46,608
Mbeya centre	Tanzania	22,000

ACORD

Community water reservoir project	Sudan	38,200
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Action Aid

Support to Foyer Saint Joseph Orphanage	Burundi	58,512
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AMREF

Maternal and child health	Kenya	60,585
Water and sanitation	Ethiopia	65,000

Basic Needs

Improving the well being of livestock	Uganda	30,635
Farming and livelihoods project	Tanzania	22,294
Ankaful garden project	Ghana	29,705

British Red Cross

Livelihoods project	Uganda	31,084
Community based healthcare and first aid	Sierra Leone	58,549
Comprehensive community based health	Afghanistan	63,635

CAFOD

Sustainable farming	Nicaragua	45,000
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Care International UK

Improving maternal and new born health	Nepal	38,834
Safe drinking water and food security	Lesotho	58,582
Improving sexual and reproductive health	Pakistan	32,811

Care and Relief for the Young

Education, skills and recreation for children	Albania	41,515
Waiting house for "at risk" pregnant women	Cambodia	37,398

Childhope UK

Improving access to education for girls	Kenya	27,901
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Children in Crisis

Teacher training	DRC	57,898
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GRANT AID
One Year Programmes

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

Children of the Andes

Mine risk education for children	Colombia	29,931
Education and livelihood support	Uganda	44,202

Christian Aid

Post flooding food security	Burkina Faso	62,900
Worm farming for poverty reduction	Bolivia	63,500

Concern Worldwide UK

Education Nyanza rural education programme	Kenya	65,000
Katanga water and environmental health	DRC	65,000
Grand Bassa Watsan project	Liberia	65,000



CONCERN WORLDWIDE UK
Katanga water and environmental health

CORD

Increased access to clean water	Burundi	27,530
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Disability and Development Partners

Improving access to disabled people	Mozambique	31,172
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Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust

Community development and management	Madagascar	32,970
Community development and management	Madagascar	31,900

GRANT AID One Year Programmes

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

Everychild

Children at risk of separation	India	49,948
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***EVERCHILD Children at Risk of Separation, India
Devadasi Federation Pressure Group now able to demand rights and entitlements for their children***

Farm Africa

Water access project	Kenya	26,418
Water access project	Sudan	19,255

Global Care

Poultry for self sufficiency	Kenya	9,030
Safe drinking water and food for children	Zimbabwe	16,300
Clean water for children's home	Honduras	17,700
Women's integration group	Albania	15,400

Habitat for Humanity

Building readiness for predictable disasters	Jamaica/Haiti	64,211
Disaster resilient houses	Myanmar	50,008
Disaster reconstruction and economic recovery	Haiti	49,134

Hands around the World

Vocational training centre	Kenya	21,050
Muko school	Rwanda	30,000
Zumbo and Ogenya schools	Uganda	20,000

GRANT AID
One Year Programmes

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

Help Age International

Improved well being of older people	Tanzania	62,192
Access to water, food security and healthcare	Cambodia	45,850

Homeless International

Education set up	Pakistan	23,112
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Hope and Homes for Children

Placing abandoned babies with families	Sudan	29,950
Community hub for vulnerable children	South Africa	21,950
Support for teenage mothers	Sierra Leone	21,350

Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust

Chin community health project	India	56,815
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Impact Foundation

Essential maternal care to remote areas	Pakistan	38,047
Arsenic filters for safe drinking water	Bangladesh	41,600
Mobile eye and ear outreach	Zanzibar	26,985
Rural eye care service	Nepal	40,399
Reversing disability	Bangladesh/Cambodia	37,180
Emergency maternal, neonatal and child health	Gambia	41,966

International Childcare Trust

Brighter futures for child labourers	Nepal	48,542
Education support for vulnerable children	Kenya	32,259

International Medical Corps

Increasing access to safe water	Zimbabwe	64,525
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International Rescue Committee

Support for provision of sanitation	Africa	63,226
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Leonard Cheshire International

Inclusive education for all	Sudan	31,905
Sustainable livelihoods	Papua New Guinea	65,000

Mercy Corps

Supporting food security	Zimbabwe	60,000
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Microloan Foundation

Farming and irrigation development	Malawi	64,568
Chikwawa branch expansion	Malawi	62,389

GRANT AID
One Year Programmes

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

Mission Aviation Fellowship

Hangar repairs	Papua New Guinea	65,000
Medical safaris	Tanzania	33,671
Vehicle replacement	Uganda	22,656

One World Action

Income generation for poor rural women	El Salvador	13,062
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Opportunity International

Youth apprenticeship programme	Ghana	33,170
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Orbis

Preventing childhood blindness	India	64,830
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Orphaids

Palliative care facilitator/Doctor	Ecuador	19,889
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Oxfam

Improving access to water and sanitation	Kenya	61,965
Increasing access and quality of education	Niger	56,699
Improving incomes for rural farmers	Rwanda	63,609

Plan UK

Food security provision	Philippines	64,995
Child survival and maternal health	Sierra Leone	62,366
Access to primary education	Liberia	60,958
Water and sanitation provision	Senegal	65,000
Malaria control	Sudan	43,500

Practical Action

Improving food security and livelihoods	Sudan	38,551
Strengthening livelihoods for farmers	Bolivia	38,291

Pump Aid

Clean water and improved nutrition	Malawi	64,566
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Sustainable supplies of clean water	Zimbabwe	64,873
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Save the Children

Health centres for remote communities	Brazil	64,740
Provision of safe water at schools	Sudan	64,939

Sense Internation

Access to education for deafblind children	Tanzania	17,796
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GRANT AID
One Year Programmes

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

Sight Savers International		
Community directed treatment	Cameroon	59,975
SOS Sahel		
Shared management of natural resources	Sudan	63,008
Sound Seekers International		
Hark mobile clinic	Namibia	61,100
Supporting deaf education	Zimbabwe	10,852
Sue Ryder Care		
Ryder Albania child bereavement project	Albania	25,700
Transport capacity building project	Malawi	27,613
Access to malaria prevention	Malawi	27,158
Target TB		
TB control	India	30,758
TB control	India	19,850



Target TB – Santosh Blatt, a survivor of TB, uses her puppets to deliver health education to others

TB Alert		
Poverty reduction	Burkina Faso	46,723
Tearfund		
Water, sanitation and public health	Afghanistan	62,169
Integrated water and sanitation	DRC	64,896
Integrated water project	Kenya	57,230

GRANT AID
One Year Programmes

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

The Butterfly Tree

Kamwi education	Zambia	18,355
Public health	Zambia	14,000
Siamasimbi education	Zambia	23,225
Mukuni education	Zambia	19,575
Machenje education	Zambia	11,050
Mandandi education	Zambia	23,225

The Cambodia Trust

Assisting disabled people in rural areas	Cambodia	27,093
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The Good News Trust

Oyugis community education development	Kenya	61,832
Oyugis community education development	Kenya	62,498
Oyugis community education development	Kenya	59,284
Koru community education development	Kenya	63,982
Luweero training skills centre	Uganda	64,627

The Leprosy Mission

Renovation of leprosy services centre	Nepal	47,246
Improving livelihoods	Ghana	15,100
Enhancing vision	India	11,821

The Women's Council

Community initiatives	Asia	20,333
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Tools for Self Reliance

Fighting poverty through skills and enterprise	Ghana	11,370
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Toybox

Effective education for street children	Bolivia/Peru	42,017
Child empowerment	Bolivia	21,576
Improving facilities for street children	Bolivia	16,152

UNICEF

Children and pregnant women immunisation	Liberia	64,815
Rebuilding schools and sanitation	Madagascar	60,598
Distribution of mosquito nets	Guinea-Bissau	65,000

Wateraid

Improving livelihoods and public health	Liberia	65,000
Community hygiene, water and sanitation	Uganda	64,973

World Vision

Irrigation project	Mozambique	52,850
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SENSE INTERNATIONAL

Access to education for deafblind children, Tanzania

The project was aimed at promoting improved educational services for deafblind children in Tanzania with the overall objective to empower deafblind and multi-sensory impaired children and their families to take a full and active role in their community. Through awareness training courses for teachers and school house parents, their understanding about the needs of deafblind children was improved. As planned, the project also promoted more inclusive support by arranging sessions at school with parents where they developed Individual Education Plans.

The project responded to the needs identified at the outset. Deafblindness is a low-incidence and misunderstood disability. Analysis conducted in 2007 highlighted the exclusion of deafblind children from schooling, lack of awareness and understanding of professionals, government officials, NGOs and families. Whilst the Government of Tanzania had introduced free primary education, the barriers to access for deafblind children effectively excluded them. Deafblind children remain amongst the most marginalised groups, facing multiple burdens of disability, poverty and social stigma.

Overall, the project achieved all of the outcomes it set out to achieve in the 12 months from 1st April 2010-31st March 2011. In some cases targets were exceeded, with the training of more teachers and school inspectors than envisaged, while less house parents than anticipated were trained. The project contributed to the activities of a European Union grant, with the JOAC grant providing co-funding. Significant progress was made towards a longer-term goal of schools having capacity to provide appropriate sustainable education services to over 70 deafblind children by 2013.



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HOMELESS INTERNATIONAL

Education set up, Pakistan

The aim of this project was to provide less privileged children access to appropriate, affordable and effective basic education. This was to be achieved by supporting local people to upgrade small schools within their own poor and disadvantaged communities in and around the town of Orangi in Karachi, Pakistan. The project has been a success with 106 schools operating effectively and benefiting 13,039 children, with links between schools strengthened, teacher training courses held, and the process documented so as to share the development lessons learnt.

Pakistan has been faced with complex development challenges in recent years. Over 1.2 million people live in informal settlements in towns on the outskirts of Karachi, Pakistan's largest city. There is limited access to basic services such as clean water, sanitation and decent schooling, with minimal provision for these services by the government, particularly resources for education. In addition to the lack of adequate schools within these communities, the high cost of transport and school fees have kept many poor children from attending schools where available. Education indices for Pakistan are extremely poor when compared to countries of similar per capita income, with only 54% of the adult population literate, as well as low enrolment rates (40%), high dropout rates and low transition to secondary education. Female literacy rates are particularly low. The end result is poor educational attainment for less privileged children and therefore poor job prospects.

Good quality, affordable and accessible education is now being provided to 13,039 children (3 – 15 years of age) from poor families living in disadvantaged communities in Karachi. They now have the opportunity to improve their lives and living conditions in the future. These children are attending 106 schools upgraded during the project. Support has also been extended to 617 college-educated, enthusiastic people living within the communities, thus improving their skills and employability as teachers. The project has built upon a proven and cost effective method for providing appropriate education to poor children through the provision of grants for materials, equipment and schooling space. With 46% of the students enrolled being female, and 71% of teachers also female, the project has significantly contributed to promoting gender equality by improving access to education for girls and by providing important employment opportunities for local women as teachers. The high percentage of female teachers has further generated parents' interest in sending their girls to school, thus tackling gender discrimination in school enrolment. Despite political insecurity in Karachi limiting the number of forums which could take place, the project has nevertheless contributed to strengthening school networks and facilitating 2 teacher training courses, where a number of teachers from schools across Karachi participated. These fora provide opportunities for issues such as the

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HOMELESS INTERNATIONAL

Education set up, Pakistan

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school curriculum, books, examinations, quality control, cheating and lobbying the government's education board to be discussed, with oversight provided by the Orangi Pilot Project, Homeless International's partner in Pakistan. Following the teacher training courses, participants have been sharing their learning with further teachers and schools. Through participating in these school networks and forums, and collaborating on joint activities, the confidence of teachers is being developed. In terms of documentation and the sharing of lessons learnt, pictorial profiles of over 30 schools have been produced, and detailed interviews have been conducted with some of the teachers, all of which have been shared through the schools network. Learning material has also been produced, circulated and now being used in schools.

All the schools supported by this project have been developed by young people from the communities themselves, and so community involvement has been central to this project. As well as building the capacity of young people to address the education challenge, it presents them with skills and job opportunities that they otherwise would not have. Physical improvements such as constructing classrooms, extra windows for ventilation, better roofing and toilets have all employed the use of appropriate, affordable and sustainable technologies, with oversight provided by the Orangi Pilot Project. Teacher training and supporting a learning forum for schools to share experiences and lessons has been important for sustaining the achievement of the project beyond the grant period. Through such networks, established schools have been able to link up with newly set up schools to share experiences, helping them to run effectively. When fully established, schools are then formally registered and integrated into the educational system of Pakistan.

DISASTER AID

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010

Tearfund – Earthquake, Malawi	£ 30,000
Christian Aid – Flooding, Kenya	£ 30,000
UNICEF – Earthquake, Haiti	£ 50,000

"Despite reports in the media of aid not getting through to Haiti, several planes with UNICEF supplies have already arrived at the airport in Port-au-Prince. We have supplies pre-positioned in Panama and two cargo planes with UNICEF supplies have already arrived. The first landed on Wednesday. Further supplies were flown to the Dominican Republic last night and are being transported overland to Port-au-Prince. In the first instance we are providing supplies for clean water, sanitation and basic health care to meet people's immediate needs.

Conditions are very difficult, with limited access to the affected area. There has been massive damage - buildings, roads and other crucial infrastructure has been destroyed and debris is blocking many of the roads. There is no water supply and most communications are down. However, wherever possible UNICEF supplies are being distributed. UNICEF has already helped to provide clean water and food to 4,000 people seeking shelter at an airport in Jacmel city which has also been badly affected.

An emergency task force has been established to co-ordinate the relief effort. This is being led by the UN Country team and comprises staff from other agencies including UNICEF"

Frances Merivale
Donor Relations Manager
15th January 2010

British Red Cross – Earthquake, Haiti	£ 50,000
Save the Children – Extreme Weather, Mongolia	£ 25,455
UNICEF – Earthquake, Chile	£ 30,000
Tearfund – Flooding, Angola	£ 30,000
Plan – Food insecurity, Niger	£ 30,000
Save the Children – Food insecurity, Niger	£ 30,000
Helpage – Flood response, Ethiopia	£ 30,000
Christian Aid – Food insecurity, Niger	£ 29,277
Christian Aid – Cyclone Laila, India	£ 30,000
Concern – Flood response, Afghanistan	£ 30,000
Christian Aid – Tropical storms, Guatemala	£ 30,000
Plan – Tropical storms, Guatemala	£ 30,000
Oxfam – Tropical storms, Guatemala	£ 25,000

DISASTER AID

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

Mercy Corps – Ethnic clashes, Kyrgyzstan	£ 29,960
Tearfund – Drought, Pakistan	£ 30,000
Christian Aid – Flooding, Burkina Faso	£ 30,000
Tearfund – Flooding, Pakistan	£ 30,000
UNICEF – Flooding, Pakistan	£ 30,000
British Red Cross – Flooding, Pakistan	£ 30,000
Christian Aid – Ethnic clashes, Kyrgyzstan	£ 30,000
UNICEF – Ethnic clashes, Kyrgyzstan	£ 30,000
Oxfam – Flooding, Niger	£ 30,000
World Vision – Ethnic clashes, Senegal	£ 25,887



*"Here's a picture taken during the distribution to the flood victims. Would you mind forwarding it to the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission people and telling them thanks and how much the help means to the families who received the help?" **Nathalie Fauveau, Project Manager, WV Senegal***

DISASTER AID

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

Christian Aid – Flooding, India	£ 30,000
World Vision – Flooding, Ethiopia	£ 29,574
Bailiffs Haiti Appeal	£100,000
Plan – Flooding, Vietnam	£ 30,000
Tearfund – Cyclone Giri, Myanmar (Burma)	£ 30,000



*Distribution of rice, Myanmar
Tearfund*

UNICEF – Flooding, Benin	£ 30,000
Save the Children – Flooding, Vietnam	£ 29,311
Plan – Tsunami, Indonesia	£ 30,000
Plan – Flooding, Benin	£ 30,000
Christian Aid – Cyclone Giri, Myanmar (Burma)	£ 30,000
Oxfam – Flooding, Colombia	£ 30,000
Save the Children – Flooding, Colombia	£ 29,677
World Vision – Flooding, Albania	£ 30,000

DISASTER AID

EXTRACTS TAKEN FROM AGENCY'S REPORT

OXFAM

Flooding, Colombia

In late 2010, unusually heavy rains caused widespread flooding and landslides across Colombia. More than 2,325,000 people were affected and over 6,716 houses were destroyed, together with agricultural land, infrastructure and highways. All 32 departments in the country were affected, prompting the Government to declare a national calamity.

Oxfam's assessment showed that in the departments of Córdoba, Sucre, Bolivar and Chocó, 70 per cent of the flood-affected population did not have safe water, adequate sanitation or washing facilities, and had lost personal belongings and household items.

Oxfam has an established programme in Colombia, working in several areas of the country on health, livelihoods and protection projects. The current emergency response is in addition to their ongoing work, and they have been working with their established partners to implement the emergency response activities effectively.

Oxfam has provided emergency relief to over 45,300 people so far between December 2010 and March 2011, and their response is continuing. Oxfam is carrying out activities in the northern regions of Córdoba, Atlántico and La Mojana, and in Chocó in the remote north-west. Their response has included improving access to clean water, improving sanitation facilities, and promoting good health and hygiene to prevent the spread of disease. They have also provided emergency food and livelihoods support to some of the people affected worst by the flooding, to help them resume their income-generating activities. Many activities have been carried out in co-ordination with the Colombian Red Cross.



Oxfam's water, sanitation and hygiene response has reached 39,397 people so far.

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Save the Children

Food Insecurity, Niger

Low and erratic rainfall over the 2009/10 led to widespread crop failure and loss of livestock in Niger. More than half the population had used almost all their food reserves from the last harvest and were resorting to desperate measures to cope. Niger already has one of the worst child survival rates in the world with one in six children not living to their fifth birthday. Half of these deaths are linked to malnutrition.

With the generous support from the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission Save the Children was able to provide nutrient rich peanut paste, a therapeutic food used to treat malnutrition, to health centres in Matameye and Magaria districts in Zinder. 750 boxes, each containing 150 sachets, were procured in France and transported to Niger. On average, a child suffering from severe acute malnutrition needs 14 sachets for a week's treatment and will need to be treated for 2-4 weeks.



Save the Children estimated that 2,678 children would be treated for severe acute malnutrition over the coming months with the supplies provided by the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission. The grant of £30,000 was used in collaboration with funding from other donors to maximise impact and ensure effectiveness. Initially Save the Children estimated that 600 children would benefit from Jersey Overseas Aid Commission's support, however, they secured funding for medical screening for malaria, diarrhoea and pneumonia at each of our health centres and therefore, anticipate that they will be able to reach over four times as many vulnerable children in Niger.

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS

JOAC VOLUNTEERS WIN THE GUITON GROUP'S AWARD FOR "AMBASSADOR OF THE YEAR 2010"

2010 saw 40 years since the concept of overseas work projects was born and over this period Jersey has witnessed over 100 groups from the island assisting in projects in different parts of the world. This is an outstanding accomplishment for such a small community which the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission, in unison with the Jersey One World Group, marked in a significant way by a weekend of celebration in August last year. The Jersey Overseas Aid Commission was delighted that the Guiton Group further marked this achievement by awarding the "2010 Ambassador of the Year Award" to all volunteers who have undertaken such projects at the Jersey Enterprise Awards Ceremony held at Fort Regent on Friday 4th March 2011. Mr Dennis Troy MBE, Mr Ian Brown and Mr David Ellis received the award on behalf of all the volunteers.



"Whether it has been part of an organised Jersey Overseas Aid Commission group or through another organisation or institution, it is individuals such as these who are the real ambassadors for our Island, who reach out and touch the lives of the poorest of the poor across the world. These individuals have brought positive change to developing communities by providing schools, health clinics and clean water which has not only created transformation in these communities, but has saved lives also. This has resulted in many, many communities within the developing world knowing about "Jersey" and the generosity and support given by its people."

**Deputy Ian Gorst
Chairman JOAC
March 2011**

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS

VOLUNTEERS COME TOGETHER IN CELEBRATION OF "JERSEY'S COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS"

In August 2010, there was thought to have been more than 1,500 former volunteers who gathered for the "Grand Reunion" in celebration of Jersey's long standing commitment to overseas aid projects. Former project leaders, volunteers and international guests attended five events over the bank holiday weekend marking more than 100 trips taken by the aid workers.



Jean Le Maistre, a past President of Jersey's former Overseas Aid Committee and the first leader to undertake a trip back in 1972, undertook the task, assisted by the Commission's Administrative Assistant and former volunteer herself, Karen Nisbet, of trying to get in touch with as many past volunteers as possible.

Jersey's Lieutenant-Governor, Lieutenant-General Sir Andrew Ridgway opened the gardens of Government House for the first event of the weekend where those in attendance were thanked for being Jersey's aid ambassadors in flying the flag for the Island in foreign countries over the years. Special guests included Bill Latham from the charity Tearfund who was instrumental in organising the very first trip and Dr Francis Omaswa, a surgeon and aid worker from Uganda.



COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS

VOLUNTEERS COME TOGETHER IN CELEBRATION OF "JERSEY'S COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS"

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Later that day participants and all Islanders were invited to a free and more informal event at Howard Davis Park for a family style picnic. Entertainment was supplied by the Ashiki, a Jersey based African drumming band and singer Liz Shea also entertained the crowds with the Jersey Gospel Choir. Several speakers also took to the stage to outline the

importance of Jersey's overseas aid contributions.

On the Sunday there was a sponsored walk which had been organised by the Lions Club in aid of a clean water project in Malawi and the celebration concluded with a Gala dinner in the evening, where those attending enjoyed the experience of eating "Around the World" with each course celebrating food from a different culture. Fourteen local charities working overseas were also given the opportunity to showcase their work and monies raised from the events over the weekend were evenly distributed amongst them in further support of their work.



COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS MONGOLIA

The project was to build a school for an organisation called The Fraternite de Notre Dame, a French Roman Catholic order that had been working amongst the very poorest people in the country for 8 years. Sister Françoise of the order was running a small orphanage in a slum area of the capital city, taking in children abandoned by their parents who could not afford to feed them. In order to educate them the order had been renting a building to use as a school but due to the cost of renting had appealed to JOAC for a new building.

In early June a team of 10 volunteers from Jersey travelled to Mongolia to help with the building work. The team were accommodated in two Gers (traditional tents) in the grounds of the orphanage and were quite spoilt by having electricity, hot showers and flush toilets.



The local builders had all but finished the foundations when the team arrived. The main work was moving every one of the 90,000 bricks used in the building from where the lorry dropped them to the various locations around the site to where the local "brickies" needed them.

The team also helped with all the little unskilled tasks around the site and helped to build "The Jersey Wall" as a partition between two classrooms.

At weekends we were able to see quite a bit of the countryside, including spending a day with a herder family and experiencing a little of their way of life. Idyllic on a warm summers day to be living in a tent miles from anywhere but in a 9 month winter when temperatures regularly drop below minus 30 I suspect the novelty soon wears off!

During the first week they had three days rain, unheard of in a normally very dry climate, and with a cold wind straight off Siberia it was so cold that they had to borrow coats. By the end of the second week the temperature had climbed to 42 degrees before dropping to average between 27 and 30 in the day time!

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS
MONGOLIA



Dave Ellis reported *"The children of the orphanage were delightful and obviously well cared for and loved dearly by the incredible Sister "Mamon". They enjoyed playing with us despite the language barrier and it is sobering to realise that without the Fraternite, many would have died or at best been incarcerated in the State Orphanage, reminiscent of the work houses of old.*

The language barrier, cultural differences, the weather and the unaccustomed hard labour at times were testing but the team all came back fit and well with no illnesses or injuries and all delighted with their experience and proud of the achievement."

Team Members – Dave Ellis, Betty Ellis, Sue Gillespie, Martin O'Neill, Ann Dove, Stacy Danks, Beth Vibert, Debra Flaguel, Archie McLean and Michael Wright.

APPROXIMATE COST

Materials	52,215
Group/Travel Expenses	23,800
Less Volunteer contributions/unspent contingency	8,360
TOTAL	£67,655

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS

UGANDA

On Thursday 22nd July 2010, a team of sixteen volunteers departed Jersey for Uganda to provide food storage facilities, accommodation, latrines and a borehole for the Luweero community farming cooperative. The team additionally supplied beehives, poultry and other livestock pens and assisted in the harvesting and cultivation of crops, and tree planting.



The development of the 25 acre site had been in progress since 2007. JOAC funding has resulted in the rapid development this year of all aspects of the project, the recent works on both the buildings and the cultivation of the land have enabled the community to put the farm to use for the purpose of implementing the proposed school feeding programme. The first crops for school use were harvested during the first week of the teams stay.

The team members were able to engage in a wide range of both building and agricultural works, always within small task teams including local supervisors and workers. In addition to the site works the team enjoyed the tasks that they carried out assisting vulnerable and underprivileged families within the community.

Dick Richomme reported *"We were privileged to work and socialise with so many wonderful people at the work site, the guest house accommodation, and the local schools and throughout the local community. By the end of the three weeks many team members returned to Jersey fluent in Lugandan to a remarkable degree!"*

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS UGANDA



JOAC funding was sufficient to provide the basics to get the farm underway. The team left some additional funds to be used for the purchase of more livestock, animal feed and seed/rootstock. Farming can be a precarious business at the best of times even in a developed country. In Uganda the farmer always remains at the mercy of a wide range of weather extremes, financial subsidies to compensate for these events do not exist and work is carried out manually. However with the skills and knowledge of the existing farm management team and careful nurturing there is optimism for the future success of this fertile 25 acres of land.

Team Members – Dick Richomme, Carol Rafferty, Bob Auffret, Sam Eastwood , Lynsey Beahan, Matt Daly, Carly de Moulpied, Ben Dupre, Laura Elcock, Maurice Marquer, Alisdair MacLeod, Martina O’Neill, Sindy Boleat, Toni Roberts, Paul Mourant, Dennis Troy.

APPROXIMATE COST

Materials	42,977
Group/Travel Expenses	38,253
Less Volunteer contributions/unspent contingency	17,355
TOTAL	£63,875

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS

GHANA

Under the leadership of Alan and Sandra Cameron, Ghana was the final project to be undertaken in 2010 which departed Jersey on Saturday 16th October. The aim was to work alongside local volunteers building a school for underprivileged children with physical and mental disabilities, carrying out as much work as possible before returning to Jersey.



When the team arrived on site, as planned the concrete over site had been laid and most of the reinforced concrete columns had been cast in readiness for the team's arrival. The team worked with about fourteen local labourers and workmanship overall was good. Thousands of 6" concrete blocks had been handmade and the team had to move them into the building so that they could start blocklaying. Temperatures were in the high 30s so it was extremely hot but together they managed to get the building loaded up ready for the next morning.

During the project team members were also given the chance to visit the Orphanage which was a great treat and also had the opportunity to visit schools and the clinics in the area.

Accommodation was good with all rooms having the luxury of running water showers and toilets. Life at night was good with the team settling down into a routine of salsa lessons, quiz nights, choir practise and games most evenings.

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECTS GHANA



Alan Cameron reported "The school is for the children in a very poor area and is a great boost for them. There are many children who did not attend any school due to parents being unable to pay, the children being orphaned, or with a disability. At least now these children will have the opportunity the same as others".

Team Members – Alan Cameron, Sandra Cameron, Christopher Halsey, Myfanwy Halsey, Glynn Williams, Mark Watts, Sharon Varley, Mick Ryall, Suzie Ruffley, Peter Le Boustoullier, Kevin Romeril, Matt Lucas, Matthew Witherington, Tabitha Vincent-De La Haye, Anna-Louise Godel and Hayley Duffield

APPROXIMATE COST

Materials	49,000
Group/Travel Expenses	41,511
Less Volunteer contributions/unspent contingency	16,950
TOTAL	£73,561

JERSEY'S OVERSEAS AID PROJECT LINKS MONGOLIA, JERSEY AND FRANCE!

"In June 2010 I led a JOAC work project team to Mongolia to help to build a school for orphans and underprivileged children. The project was on behalf of the Fraternite de Notre Dame and the team was accommodated in the grounds of their orphanage in Ulaan Bataar. The lady in charge of the orphanage was sister Marie Francoise, a French Roman Catholic nun.

Soon after arrival the team was welcomed by the children with a display of dancing and singing and it was very obvious that they enjoyed themselves very much. One of the project team members, Ann Dove, was a professional dance teacher and she undertook to write and choreograph a Christmas production for the children and taught it to them. She spent a great deal of her spare time during the trip engaged in this mammoth task and some of the other team members decided that it would be good if the children had proper costumes for the parts and some team members clubbed together and purchased the material from the local market.

The material was duly transported home and for a while my wife Betty, also a team member and Janice Letty, Ann's cousin worked away to produce two clowns costumes and ten other assorted Christmas costumes.



How to get the costumes back to Mongolia safely concerned us but that problem was solved when I learnt that one of the senior members of staff of a local Mongolian firm was French who frequently travelled between France and Mongolia and had offered to be a "courier" for us so Betty and I agreed to take them as far as Versailles. Two weeks later we heard that they had arrived safely!

Whilst we were in France we decided we would visit Sister Marie Francois' parents who live near Nerac, just south of the Dordogne region. They were thrilled to have first hand news of their daughter who had not been home for 8 years, and we gave them photos of their daughter and of the work she is doing in Mongolia.

Going on an Overseas Aid trip always brings you into contact with some very special people and this occasion was an added bonus".

*Dave Ellis, JOAC Sub-Committee Member
and Community Work project Leader to Mongolia 2009*

14th October 2010

UPDATES RECEIVED ON JERSEY'S OVERSEAS AID PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN IN 2005 & 2006 GHANA

In 2005 JOAC sent a team to OLA parish in Bolgatanga Ghana to build a training centre. The leaders of that project were Alan and Sandra Cameron both of which have returned several times in the last couple of years. Completed after the team left, it has been in use since 2007.



Dressmaking, tie-n-dye and basket making are all studied and students are also taught to crochet with all crafts included in their exams.

Basic maths and business studies are also taught to enable the pupils to have an understanding of running their own business once they have completed their studies.

The centre has not always been able to buy new material for the class to practice on, and to save money, they recycled old cement bags to make outfits for the first year-end exams; which they passed.



The materials and clothes that are produced during the training are sold outside the local church to raise an income.

The class sat their final exams in November, and it is hoped to have the results at the beginning of May 2011.

A new group will start studying at Easter 2011, and will undertake a three year course.

Island Aid for World Children a charity established by Alan and Sandra have paid the teacher's salary since the start and continue to do so, and have also provided all the equipment needed; sewing machines, desks, materials etc.

A small computer workshop has also been set up by the local youth committee in the Training Centre, and this is used to teach basic computer skills and also to generate money by printing documents and charging a small fee for internet use.

It is hoped to start cycle repair, building or carpentry courses in the near future.

**UPDATES RECEIVED ON JERSEY'S OVERSEAS AID PROJECTS
UNDERTAKEN IN 2005 & 2006 GHANA**

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In 2006, Island Aid for World Children applied to JOAC for to send a team of ten volunteers to assist with the provision of a training centre in Adankwame, a village outside Kumasi, Ghana. The centre was to be used to train the local male youth in carpentry and bicycle repairs. These are young people that have been through school, but have unfortunately not gained any qualifications.

When the team arrived on site, they found that the foundations had not yet been dug or laid, so the task was to start digging! This was very hard work as the ground was solid due to lack of rainfall. Problems also occurred with the delivery of the sand, cement and chippings due to the poor road leading to the site, but the team was able to resolve this by showing the site foremen how to use rubble from the site to form a new road.



When the team left after three 3 weeks, the concrete foundations were down and they had built up the block work to ground floor level.

Since leaving Adankwame, Alan and Sandra have been in constant communication with Br. Francis Dometrio, of the Spiritian Mission, who was the site foremen and is

now the caretaker of the training centre. The building was completed within a year of the team leaving Adankwame and has since provided great benefit and opportunities to the community to maintain self sustainability.



**GRANTS AWARDED TO
JERSEY CHARITIES WORKING OVERSEAS**

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010

Ngora Trust - Completion of Borehole, **Uganda** £ 1,000

WASOT-UK - Classroom provision, **Kenya** £10,000



***WASOT-UK
Classroom provision, Kenya***

St Clements Church - Operating Theatre, **Kenya** £ 2,000



***St Clements Church
Operating theatre restoration, Kenya***

GRANTS AWARDED TO
JERSEY CHARITIES WORKING OVERSEAS

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2010....continued

Jersey Gambia Schools Trust - Farming equipment, Gambia	£ 5,000
Kisumu Education Orphans Fund – Hand Dug Well, Kenya	£ 3,580
St Clements Church - Rehabilitation of water supply, Kenya	£ 1,450
The Good News Trust – Classroom provision, Kenya	£10,000
St Clements Church – Restoration of Kaloleni Hospital, Kenya	£13,175
WASOT-UK (Mifumi) – Provision of changing rooms, Uganda	£ 1,852
Island Aid For World Children - Borehole, Ghana	£ 5,000
Kisumu Orphans Education Fund – Education, Kenya	£ 1,000

"The most important news is that two of our boys have gained university entrance and will go to Nairobi in September. They are jubilant and send thanks to all in Jersey who have enabled them to achieve this through educating them"

*Sue Deans
Kisumu Orphans Education Fund*

March 2011

St Clements Church – Classroom, Kenya	£ 2,100
Jersey Gambia Schools Trust - Container, Gambia	£ 1,710

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BRITISH RED CROSS

The Jersey Overseas Aid Commission has been an important and generous donor to the British Red Cross for many, many years, both through annual grant aid and through its allocation towards disaster and emergency relief funding.

When natural disasters or emergencies occur, the Red Cross responds immediately with relief items including food, water, shelter and medical supplies, as well as search and rescue operations. To save lives, we must act quickly: The generous amount awarded by the Commission for emergency operations has an enormous impact, helping us provide vital relief supplies to many thousands of people, and the speed with which they make funding decisions is crucial for us to get the aid to where it is needed, when it is needed. The size of the Island and population makes the level of grant-making through JOAC even more notable.

Through annual grant aid, the British Red Cross received grants totalling just over £153,000 this year in support of three projects in Sierra Leone, Uganda and Afghanistan. Opportunities for securing funding for our work in Afghanistan, in particular, are limited, making the Commission's grant vital in enabling us to carry out community based health work in this desperately poor country, and preventing avoidable deaths. Funding awarded by the Commission this year is enabling us to provide health and livelihoods support to a targeted 58,000 beneficiaries, demonstrating value for money for the people of Jersey and their investment in development and achieving life-saving changes for people in need.

We currently have applications of over £190,000 under consideration by the Commission. Of particular concern are the projects being considered for work in Zimbabwe and Afghanistan that are difficult to fund from other sources because of the political and security context in each country - JOAC is a key funder for countries such as these.

The Commission's broad funding guidelines mean we are able to submit projects that are needs-led, and to respond to needs in the most appropriate way for our beneficiaries. Reporting requirements are also reasonable compared to some other funders.

Helen Pott
Senior Trusts and Statutory Fundraiser
British Red Cross
6th September 2010

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CHRISTIAN AID

Since 1991, the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission has supported Christian Aid with grants totalling over £3,100,000. This very significant and generous support has enabled work around the world to be undertaken in countries including Ethiopia., Rwanda, Kenya, Sri Lanka, Peru and many more. Without the support of JOAC many of these projects simply would not have happened. This means that many thousands of people would not have been lifted out of poverty, received clean water, had enough food to eat, received education or had access to health centres. In the last two years alone, Christian Aid estimates that support from Jersey has transformed the lives of over 100,000 people.

Examples of the direct impact JOAC's support has had on communities around the world are numerous. JOAC is also willing to provide support to projects where there are other donors such as the European Commission. This leverage effect means that a donation can be worth many times as much to beneficiaries, making even greater impact. The people that JOAC has helped are frequently those with the least. They often survive off less than US\$1 or US\$2 per day, do not have sufficient food, clean water or adequate housing. In Mali, a country that JOAC has supported through working with Christian Aid, life expectancy is just 48 years and only a quarter of all adults are literate. In Kenya, another country that JOAC has supported, more than half the population live below the national poverty line and over 40% do not have a good quality source of clean water.

JOAC's application process guarantees that support requested goes directly to a specific project. The application format is detailed and requests the type of information that is relevant to project work, without being unnecessarily lengthy and onerous. This process ensures that projects are focused with activities and corresponding budgets provided. This helps project teams to be clear on what they are requesting funding for, and the impact that this support will have on communities. Christian Aid hopes that the details provided give reassurance to JOAC that the work has been well thought out and thoroughly costed.

Since 1995, JOAC has supported 35 emergencies appeals through Christian Aid. This has enabled an immediate response to emergencies, meaning that our humanitarian team can begin supporting people and communities as soon as a disaster has occurred. One of the unique elements of this support is the speed with which JOAC are able to respond. Unlike many other donors, the process is extremely fast, meaning Christian Aid can provide support when the need is at its most acute. In addition, JOAC is willing to support emergencies that do not reach the media and the headlines, but where the need is still significant.

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CHRISTIAN AID

Support from JOAC frequently makes up a large portion of the budget in these emergencies, evidencing the importance of the donation. Recent support from JOAC to Christian Aid has included responding to food shortages in Niger and conflict in Kyrgyzstan. These give excellent examples of the range of countries and issues that JOAC are willing to respond to. The humanitarian need in both cases was immense. The support from JOAC on these occasions had a huge impact thanks to the generosity of the support and the speed at which the support was provided.

The support that JOAC has provided to Christian Aid has been of real importance. The long-term support has enabled many projects to be undertaken that otherwise would not have occurred. The emergency support has been vital in providing a fast and generous response to communities who are in sudden and desperate need. Leaving aside the British and Irish government contributions, the support from Jersey stands out as being one of the most important and generous to Christian Aid over the last 5 years. Support from Jersey is regularly more than that from other similarly sized islands for both emergency and long-term project support. For this reason alone it is a vital source of support for Christian Aid's work around the world.

Christian Aid's International Director Paul Valentin commented, "Christian Aid depends on its supporters to be able to undertake work around the world. The regular and generous donations from the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission have enabled a significant number of long-term projects and emergency interventions to take place. These have undoubtedly saved lives and helped to lift thousands of communities out of poverty. Christian Aid is extremely grateful for this support."

**Mike Annison
Trusts and Foundations Manager
Christian Aid
6th September 2010**

IMPACT FOUNDATION

The work of the IMPACT Foundation to prevent and treat needless disability in some of the poorest parts of the world has benefited enormously from the support of Jersey Overseas Aid since 1988, which has been absolutely pivotal in the development and expansion of our programme from very small beginnings in 1985. Indeed, the States of Jersey is our largest single supporter, having contributed close to £3 million over the past 22 years. This equates to almost 14% of IMPACT's total income to date.

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IMPACT FOUNDATION

The States of Jersey's support for IMPACT's work belies the size of the island. For example, IMPACT has received £2,815,932 in grants from you. This compares to £187,702 from the States of Guernsey; £90,635 from the Isle of Man; and £90,357 from the UK's Department for International Development. Calculated on a 'per capita' basis, we have been given £30.73 for every person on Jersey; £2.86 for every person on Guernsey; £1.13 for every person on the Isle of Man and just a tenth of a penny in DFID funding for every British person.

It is at the individual and community levels that the real impact of your support is felt by impoverished people who, for the first time have access to basic health care and medical treatment which can prevent the needless disability affecting tens of millions of people in our world, or can restore sight, hearing, mobility or repair cleft lip. Such care is readily available to each of us living in the UK and on Jersey but is rare or inadequate, particularly in the remote and rural parts of Asia and Africa where IMPACT works. In the last five years alone, more than six million men, women and children have benefited as a result of Jersey Overseas Aid's grants to IMPACT. Many of your gifts have established health facilities, mobile clinics or purchased essential equipment which make an on-going contribution to the community. It is almost impossible to know how many people will also benefit in the coming years.

In addition to the relief of human suffering that comes from alleviating needlessly disabling conditions, your support has also helped to reduce impoverishment since disability traps people in the developing world in abject poverty by hindering their opportunity to earn a living or attend school. Although accurate figures are hard to come by, it is estimated that as few as 1% of disabled people are employed or in school in some areas.

Jersey Overseas Aid Commission's support for IMPACT is making an important contribution towards meeting the Millennium Development Goals, in particular, Goals 1, 4, and 5 (End Poverty and Hunger, Child Health and Maternal Health) and your rapid and generous response during times of natural disaster has enabled IMPACT to assist people affected by flooding in Bangladesh in 2000, 2004 and 2007 and The Philippines in 2009 in the critical early days after the event. During any such crisis, speed counts and the fact that the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission has procedures in place to react quickly makes meeting the immediate needs of affected people much more effective, especially when working in partnership with a small and flexible organisation such as IMPACT.

There is no doubt that without the enduring support of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission, IMPACT's programme would not be as widespread and successful as it is and that your support has enabled us to create a strong

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track record with which to leverage grants from many more funders. We now have vibrant projects in Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Kenya, Nepal, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Thailand, The Philippines and Zanzibar assisting millions of people each year.

Thank you.

The Trustees, Chief Executive and Staff of **IMPACT Foundation**
3rd September 2010

OXFAM GB

The Jersey Overseas Aid Commission (JOAC) and Oxfam have been working together since 1967, and in this time the Commission has granted almost £4 million to support both Oxfam's emergency and development work. We greatly appreciate the Commission's ongoing commitment to our work and are proud to be associated with the Island of Jersey.

The public debate throughout the UK is currently dominated by the cuts and deficits agenda, and this has resulted in a backlash against the UK aid budget. Oxfam believes however that when times are hard we have a responsibility to help the poorest people, at home or abroad. Millions of people struggling to survive in poor countries do not have a welfare states to fall back on, and as a result of the economic crisis around 50 million more people will be pushed into extreme poverty, forced to live on just 75p a day.

Overseas aid has transformed the lives of millions of poor people across the world. Amongst other achievements, aid has helped to reduce the number of children who die before their fifth birthday by 4 million since 1990, put 33 million more children in the classroom, and increased the number of people receiving HIV medication by tenfold. Without the support of government aid, these vast accomplishments could not have been achieved; and with Oxfam calculating that the world needs an extra six million well-trained doctors, teachers and nurses in developing countries, now is the time to be increasing overseas aid, not reducing it.

Since 2001 alone, Jersey Overseas Aid Commission has made an immense contribution to changing the lives of poor people in more than 34 countries. JOAC development grants have enabled more than 236,000 women, men and children to make vital improvements to their lives through development projects, and your emergency grants have helped to save the lives of 1.2 million people via humanitarian assistance.

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OXFAM GB

Development projects are at the heart of Oxfam's work, and are essential to help people find lasting answers to chronic poverty. Luckson Bastien from Haiti sums up the hugely positive and often very tangible impact your grants have had on poor people's lives well. Luckson leads the RECOCARNO supervising committee, a coffee producers' co-operative that Oxfam has supported with product development and marketing training, with funding from the States of Jersey. He explains, *"Before we formed the co-operative we used to sell a pound of coffee for 1-1.5 gourdes (US\$0.02-0.04), and were struggling to survive. Now, when we export, they buy at 30 gourdes (US\$.075) and sell at US\$1.26. Our members now have a lot more income, which is very encouraging"*.

Collectively, the projects Commission has funded have enabled millions of people to work their way out of poverty and create a positive future for them and their families.

When a disaster strikes, JOAC is one of the first funders Oxfam approaches. The emergency grants criterion allows us to spend the funds where the need is greatest - this reduces the time and money spent on preparing proposals and administering a grant. The process of submitting an emergency grants is simple and the turnaround from the Commission is very quick, which is important when you are dealing with fast moving situations.

For many funders, media interest in a disaster does play a part when making decisions, which means many smaller emergencies are forgotten. We rely on JOAC to understand that the urgency of these less-publicised emergencies is just as great as those that hit the headlines. The States of Jersey have sometimes been the **first and only** government to fund some of our lower-profile emergency responses, such as the Philippines typhoon in 2006 and the more recent floods in Guatemala. Without Jersey's support, we could not have reached so many people.

The current Jersey funding criteria for development grants is clear, concise and broad enough for most potential applicants to meet successfully. The wide criteria enables Oxfam to submit a range of work from all parts of world, including those areas which are not always popular with funders, such as the former Soviet Republics. The proposal template and submission process is straightforward and we appreciate the opportunity to meet the Commission to discuss the projects during the meetings in London.

The inclusion of a rolling three-year grant following the previous Jersey Overseas Aid review has been particularly welcome. Long term programmes such as these allows Oxfam to invest in projects which will help many more people over a longer period and gives Oxfam time to prepare beneficiaries to become self sufficient once the project ends. We hope that other Island

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OXFAM GB

governments will be looking to replicate the same with their own aid funds in the future.

Dame Barbara Stocking, Chief Executive, Oxfam

"The Jersey Overseas Aid Commission is one of Oxfam's most long-standing and committed partners, and we are extremely grateful to you for providing such incredible support to both our programme beneficiaries and international staff. I would of course encourage the States of Jersey to continue to build on their excellent reputation for recognising and responding to the needs of poor people across the world. More aid is vital now to enable the international community to reach the Millennium Development Goals by 2015."

Thank you

Juliet Chalmers
Head of Trusts and Foundations
Oxfam GB
6th September 2010

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Jersey's support of Save the Children is quite simply life-saving. The continued generosity of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission has allowed Save the Children to reach hundreds of thousands of the world's most vulnerable children and their families. Jersey's annual overseas aid grant programme makes a massive difference to the lives of the people Save the Children works with, from the construction of health centres in remote rural areas that have no medical facilities, to refurbishing classrooms that have been destroyed by conflict. Jersey's Emergency Relief Funding also allows Save the Children to react swiftly and effectively in the aftermath of a disaster. The faster we can act following an emergency the more lives we can save and JOAC is one of our key donors in responding to disasters.

The Jersey Overseas Aid Commission is a valuable contributor to Save the Children's overseas work. JOAC's generosity is particularly significant given the relatively small size of the island and its population and is a powerful example to our other potential and existing donors. A cut in Jersey's overseas aid budget would have a huge impact on our overseas work. Jersey is also influential on other similar donors, such as GOAC and the Isle of Man; if Jersey were to cut its overseas budget it might prompt others to follow suit.

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Every year, nearly 9 million children under the age of five die, most of them from preventable causes. The deadline for meeting the international community's targets to reduce the mortality rate among children by two-thirds, and among women in pregnancy and childbirth by three-quarters is now just five years away. Support from Jersey is more important now than ever in helping agencies such as Save the Children to work with the world's governments to reach these targets.

At the United Nations Millennium Summit in 2000, the international community signed up to eight targets to reduce poverty, hunger and disease by 2015. These are the Millennium Development Goals, or MDGs. Ten years on, there has been significant progress on many of the targets. However, the goals to reduce the deaths of young children and mothers are the furthest off track. Just one third of the necessary progress has been made on MDG4, to cut the under-five mortality rate by two-thirds, and just 10% towards achieving MDG5, to reduce by three-quarters the maternal mortality ratio.

Projects supported by Jersey, such as the construction of health clinics in Burera District, Rwanda serving a population of 30,000, and the refurbishment of forest community houses as health centres to reach a population of over 10,000 in the Amazon, Brazil, have a twofold impact. These projects reach vulnerable communities with direct work and services, but also allow us to demonstrate to international governments how this work can be successfully replicated and scaled up in order to contribute to reaching the MDG targets. JOAC supported programmes have also provided training to hundreds of health workers in areas such as maternal health, neo-natal care, immunisations and hygiene practise. This learning will serve communities for generations to come.

More than half of all children who are out of school in the world today live in conflict-affected fragile states (CAFS), 39 million children out of a total of 72 million children are not in school. While there has been an impressive reduction in the overall number of children left out of school since 2006, progress has been much slower in CAFS. It is possible to get children in CAFS into education, as Save the Children's "Rewrite the Future" campaign has demonstrated, but without urgent action to help these hardest-to-reach children, MDG2 (that all children get a full course of primary schooling by 2015) will not be met.

The Jersey Overseas Aid Commission has had a huge impact on providing education to children in CAFS. In 2009, with JOAC's support, we were able to rehabilitate and refurbish classrooms and provide educational opportunities for over 1,000 children in Odienne, Cote D'Ivoire. In the same year with JOAC's support we were able to provide water boreholes in five schools,

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providing clean water in a safe learning environment for children who wouldn't normally access school.

Jersey's Emergency Relief Funding is invaluable to Save the Children. As we know, disasters can happen at any time, and knowing there is funding available each month from JOAC means we can apply for funding as soon as a disaster strikes. JOAC's Emergency Relief Funding has also proved to be hugely important for emergency responses that don't necessarily make the headlines, have huge media coverage, or have been 'forgotten'.

Another particular advantage of Jersey's Emergency Relief Fund is how quickly the Commission responds to funding applications. In an emergency, the biggest factor is always time; the faster we can respond to a disaster, the more lives we can save and the more people we can reach. The fact that Jersey can reply to an emergency application within a couple of days makes their support all the more important, as other supporters can take weeks to respond.

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