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Catherine Murray and friends,
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2006 was a non-stop year! It was the Commission's first full year of operation and instead of spending only one week in London allocating our grant aid to our approved major aid agencies, we went twice, once in the January for our 2006 allocation and again in the November for our 2007 allocation, standard practice after an election year. Throughout all meetings the expertise and experience of the new Commission shone. I believe some of our agencies received a rude awakening to the line up, however if they had read our 2005 report they would have been aware of the new make up of the team which now consists of a banker, a lawyer and an accountant. The banker covered the due diligence required, the lawyer, legalities and the accountant, the figures and balance sheets, this coupled with our States members proved an excellent mix.

The poorer nations in the world are growing rapidly with the average woman bearing seven children in these areas. We question their future and must ask what opportunities they will have for secure jobs, homes, health and education. In Kenya the birth rate used to be eight children per mother however with strong political will, the government has successfully implemented family planning which has reduced this rate below five. The culture of these poorer nations is towards larger families, mainly for security and the fear of infant mortality. One woman in five has access to contraception but the focus for the practice is mainly for HIV/Aids protection. Currently 1 billion people are without access to clean water, 2.6 billion are with out proper sanitation with 6000 children dying per day, a staggering 2 million every year! It is only by having clean water, proper toilet facilities, classrooms with teachers, clinics with nurses and family planning that we have a key to ending poverty. In other words water, sanitation, education, primary healthcare and family planning must be at the top of the list.

In 2006 the distribution of aid and the categories of projects funded shows good geographic spread and variety. The Commission is committed to providing a hand up rather than a hand out and ensures that many communities benefit from direct funding for maximum effect providing contentment amongst its recipients of fair distribution and less reliance for continued aid. Funding as ever is closely monitored with reports from agencies being reviewed and recorded for any under spent funding or discrepancies to the original approved project submitted. The Commission stands firm in that any agency who does not report back on its projects will risk the chance of not receiving any further funding. Interestingly the Commission received returns of over £130,000 in 2006 alone, allowing us to invite agencies to submit additional projects which could be implemented immediately.

On the table provided in my report last year you will note our mid-table position showing Jersey's position relative to population when compared with other countries. I received many requests to show Jersey in position with other similar jurisdictions as many felt it an unfair comparison. The Commission immediately sought to find a fair comparison other than by Country and contacted thirty six other low tax jurisdictions. The response was disappointing with only seven responding with the information requested. This I have provided together with my revised original table which now indicates the VAT rates. You will note Luxembourg for example is extremely generous with its aid, although on investigation I discovered that although they have low corporate tax they do have high personal tax and VAT of 15%.

Country	Per head	VAT	Aid £	Population
Luxemborg	£310.88	15%	137m	442,972
Denmark	£216.17	25%	1.2bn	5,352,815
Sweden	£174.10	25%	1.5bn	8,875,053
Netherlands	£151.42	19%	2.4bn	15,981,472
France	£81.32	19.6%	4.8bn	59,551,227
Belgium	£80.87	21%	830m	10,258,762
United Kingdom	£75.44	17.5%	4.5bn	59,647,790
Jersey	£61.00	0%	5.3m	87,000
Portugal	£58.35	19%	587m	10,066,253
Germany	£51.59	16%	4.3bn	33,029,536
Canada	£45.88	7%	1.4m	31,592,805
Australia	£43.24	10%	837m	19,357,594
Japan	£39.93	5%	5bn	126,771,662
United States of America	£39.04	6%	11bn	278,058,881
Spain	£36.35	16%	146m	40,037,995
New Zealand	£31.05	0%	120m	3,864,129

LOW TAX JURISDICTIONS

Country	VAT	Aid £
Luxemborg	15%	137m
Liechtenstein	7.6%	9.6m
Jersey	0%	5.3m
Guernsey	0%	1.9m
Isle of Man	17.5%	1.6m
Costa Rica	13.0%	Recipient
Anjouan	10.0%	Recipient
Singapore	5%	Figures unavailable

The Commission is under increasing pressure to request an increase in our budget. I remind readers that the Overseas Aid budget is determined by the States Assembly and not by the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission. If Jersey were to pursue a budget of 0.7% GNI i.e. £21 million, the rate of the goods and services tax soon to be imposed would need to be increased from 3% to 4.5% in order that funding would not be cut from other States budgets. Whilst I do agree the budget should be increased per annum, I myself would prefer a fixed amount per year.

I extend my thanks again to our States members for their continued support of the Commission. To my Commissioners Senator Terry Le Main, Senator Paul Routier, Toni Roberts, Ken Syvret and Leslie Crapp thank you for your support over the last twelve months who, with Executive Officer, Kathryn Filipponi and States Clerk, Petrina Horton really make up a dream team. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome on board Peter Le Seilleur who, following Leslie Crapp's retirement as Commissioner, now joins us. Thank you to my marvellous Sub-Committee comprising Ian Brown, Brian Stuttard, Rowland Heaven, David Ellis and David O'Brien, who work so hard to ensure our community work projects are the success they are. Thank you to the Bailiff, Sir Philip Bailhache, Michael de la Haye, Greffier of the States and Mike Liston, Chairman of the Jersey Appointments Commission for their continued support. To Reverend Chris White at Georgetown Methodist Church for providing us with a venue for our sub-committee meetings, the States of Jersey Housing department for their loan of a boardroom for our commission meetings and the States of Jersey Public Services department for the loan of storage facilities. Thanks also to Mr. Graeme McArthur and the Northern Trust for looking after us (twice!) during our London meetings held at Canary Wharf, Mr Colin Masterman, Headmaster of Mont Nicolle Primary School for use of the school's premises to host our interviews for our work project teams, Dr Mike Marks, Dr Stephen Perchard, Tracey Wade, Consultant Psychologist, Jenny Stock, Health and Social Services and Phil Romeril and his team at De Feyes chemist for looking after our volunteer's medical needs and wellbeing; and, finally to my husband Jan and all Islanders who give so tirelessly of their time to ensure we are the success we are, thank you to you all.

*Deputy Jacqui Huet
Chairman*

January 2007

ABRIDGED SUMMARY
BUDGETARY POSTION FOR OVERSEAS AID 1968 - 2006

1968 (1st Year)	14,000
1970	20,000
1975	100,000
1980	155,000
1985	780,000
1990	1,986,000
1995	2,612,000
2000	4,174,400
2001	4,801,900
2002	4,649,000
2003	4,603,000
2004	5,306,000
2005	5,524,000
2006	5,686,000

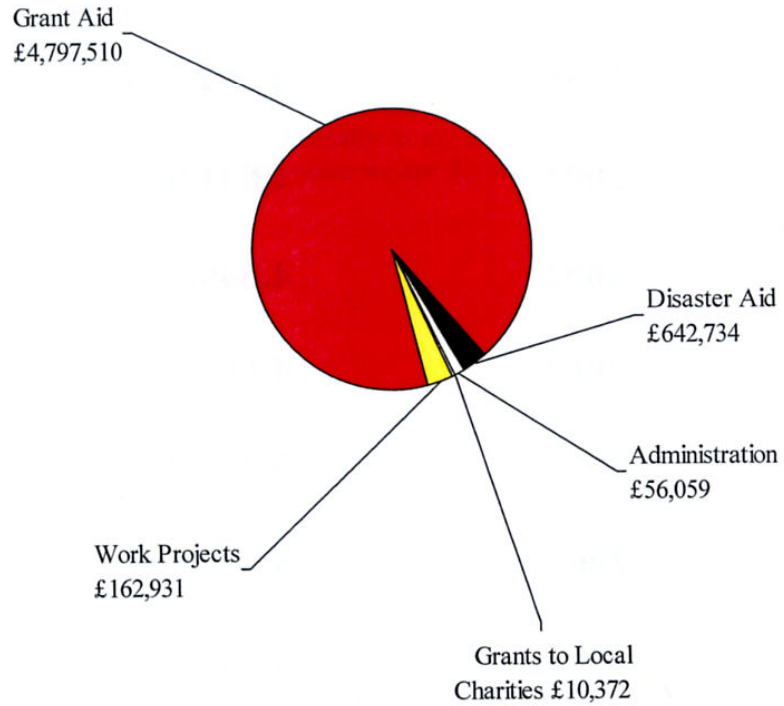
2006 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Income

Balance 1 st January	27,284
States Grant	<u>5,686,000</u>
	<u><u>£5,713,284</u></u>

Net Expenditure

Grant Aid to Agencies	4,797,510
Disasters and Emergencies	642,734
Community Work Projects	162,931
Local Charities Working Overseas	10,372
Administration	56,059
Balance 31 st December	<u>43,678</u>
	<u><u>£5,713,284</u></u>



DISASTER AID

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2006

£25,000	Practical Action	Severe drought	Kenya
£25,000	Oxfam	Severe drought	Kenya
£25,000	Plan International	Severe drought	Kenya
£10,395	MAF	Famine	Tanzania
£25,000	Christian Aid	Severe drought	Somalia
£25,000	Christian Aid	Severe drought	Ethiopia
£25,000	UNICEF	Severe drought	Ethiopia
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£25,000	Global Care	Severe drought	Ethiopia
£25,000	Global Care	Severe drought	Northern Uganda/Sudan
£24,140	SCF	Severe flooding	Mozambique
£20,000	World Vision	Cholera outbreak	Angola
£25,000	Christian Aid	Earthquake	Java
£25,000	Plan International	Earthquake	Java
£25,000	Oxfam	Earthquake	Java
£25,000	Oxfam	Earthquake	Tajikistan
£25,000	Farm Africa	Severe floods	Ethiopia
£25,000	Tearfund	Severe floods	Ethiopia
£25,000	AMREF	Severe floods	Ethiopia
£25,000	Plan International	Severe floods	Niger
£19,178	Concern	Severe floods	Bangladesh
£25,000	Oxfam	Typhoon	Philippines
£25,000	Christian Aid	Typhoon	Philippines
£25,000	CAFOD	Severe floods	Kenya
£25,000	Global Care	Severe floods	Kenya
£25,000	SCF	Severe floods	Kenya
£25,000	Plan International	Typhoon	Philippines
£648,713	TOTAL		

DISASTER AID

EXTRACTS TAKEN FROM AGENCIES REPORTS

PRACTICAL ACTION

Drought, Kenya

The Mandera Drought Emergency project was implemented through a kind donation of £25,000 received from the States of Jersey Overseas Aid Commission in February 2006.

The project was implemented within the proposed schedule and in response to Kenya's worst drought in years which affected over 85% of the country. The situation was extremely serious in Mandera District (an arid district inhabited by pastoralists who depend on livestock for their livelihood). The district did not receive significant rainfall since 2004 and had not fully recovered from the previous drought that claimed thousands of livestock in 2002. An estimated 200,000 livestock dependant families living in the district were experiencing severe and protracted drought. Assessment by the Kenya Food Security Steering Group established then that food security, water supply, nutrition and health conditions were deteriorating rapidly exposing pastoralists to famine disease and poverty.

The aim of the project was to provide emergency health care services and livestock feeds to 50,000 surviving livestock in Kotula and Shibir Fatuma divisions of Mandera. This was intended to help preserve the communities capacity (5,000 families) to recover once the drought had abated.

By the time the rains came in April 2006, the project had scored high success in the following areas:

- A total of 89,857 cases were treated of various livestock diseases
- 18,747 livestock were fed with 98% survival rate for those put on feeds and concentrates
- The feeding and health care programme covered goats, donkeys, cattle and camels.

Overall the project saved 80% more nucleus herd compared to the 50,000 envisaged in the proposal. This is partly because of the greater demand for emergency support and the fact that the targeted area itself has no clear physical boundaries and livestock branding is not practiced. This resulted in the emergency project saving all nucleus livestock found within the target area. The impact was high and the pastoralists remain thankful to the States of Jersey Overseas Aid Commission and Practical Action, the implementing agency.

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WORLD VISION

Cholera outbreak, Angola

On 19th February 2006, the Provincial Government of Luanda declared a cholera outbreak in coordination with the World Health Organisation (WHO). By the beginning of May 2006, WHO had reported a total of 32,324 cumulative cases of Cholera and 1,189 deaths, with a case fatality of 4%, significantly higher than the average 1% normally experienced in similar outbreaks. The epidemic was international news and the Angolan Ministry of Health wrote to World Vision, requesting their support in responding to the outbreak. World Vision Angola launched an emergency appeal and within 24 hours had received commitments of private funding from World Vision UK, World Vision US, World Vision Australia and World Vision Canada. Emergency relief grants were also received from the States of Jersey Overseas Aid Commission (£20,000), the Gates Foundation and World Vision UK.

The overall goal of the project was to support the Ministry of Public Health in controlling the spread of the cholera epidemic in Angola. World Vision was able to make a significant contribution to the national response which successfully reduced the number of new cases of cholera from 439 on 20th May 2006 to 56 on 10th September 2006, which is a national average reduction of 87%. In target areas where World Vision was working the decrease in new cases was even more dramatic, reaching an average reduction of 86% in new cases.

The Ministry of Health coordinated the response through daily meetings at the national level with all key partners. World Vision was asked to prioritise the establishment of oral rehydration rooms while other donors took responsibility for other areas of intervention such as procurement of medicines and rehydration fluid.

World Vision received in kind 500 packs of Doxycycline tablets. Other critical medicines and medical supplies were purchased by World Vision to support the Ministry of Health together with equipment for the establishment of the cholera treatment centres and oral rehydration rooms. Other supplies that were purchased for the education and awareness activities included printed pamphlets explaining cholera and how to prevent it, bicycles for the activists and educational messages.

World Vision would like to thank the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission for their prompt response to this emergency and their valued financial contribution.

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECT KENYA

It was a welcomed return visit for three of the team members who had previously assisted the community at Kisumu in 2005. This year's project was to finish the primary school at Kibos and with the funds being sent in advance the basic structure was completed by the time the team arrived on site. The team set out to paint the ten classrooms with three coats of paint, complete with blackboards at each end and the nursery block was painted inside and out. The finishing touch was a lovely mural designed and painted by all.

The team had previously noted a disconnected tank outside the Headmistress's office. When they had enquired where the children drank, they were informed they either brought water with them or took it from the pond. The team noted no child had a bottle of water with them and the pond was green. With funding raised by the team prior to their departure they were able to construct, in addition to the main project, a foundation to support an additional 2,000 litre water tank which connected with the existing tank. One team member had excellent construction skills and was able to work out the strength of the base needed. Locals assisted with the reinforced steel base whilst team members set about on the brick work. Local materials were inferior, crumbly bricks and coarse sand, but the challenge was met by the team. The night prior to handing over the school to the community, it rained, a good African downpour and the team was delighted to not only see the water tanks start to fill, but also to watch the thrilled children drinking clean water.

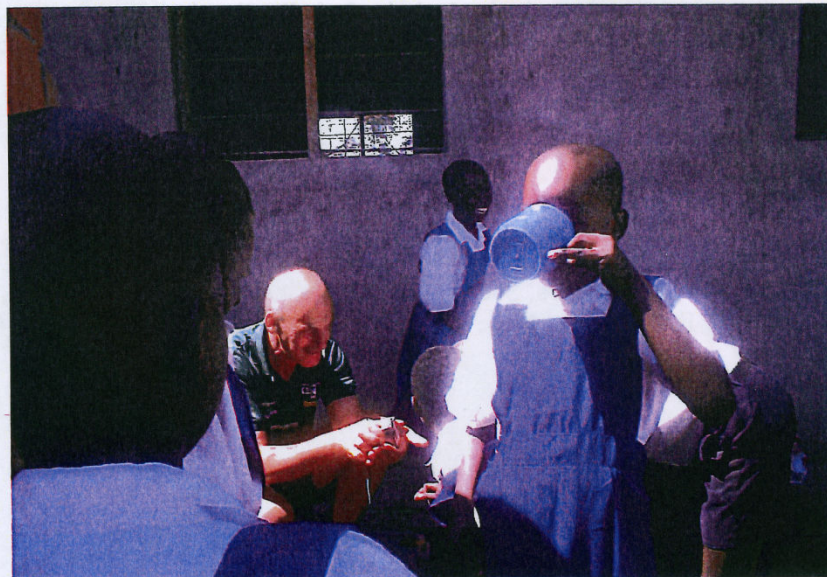
The team had plenty of interaction with the local community. Julius Ojunga, Coordinator, Kunya Family Health Home Based Care for Orphans, wrote: *"We highly appreciate the work of Jersey Overseas Aid in Kenya. We really learnt a lot from their teaching eg the training of the football team at Kunya by Carl and the netball team at Kibos Primary School by Louise. Clare and Shelagh treated 43 clients to a dental clinic out of 51 clients at Kibwayi Primary School. Katharine, Sue, Dick, Cyril and David did wonderful work on building a tank base with metals and bricks at Kibos. We appreciate the much you have done within this community"*

Leader – Sue Deans

Team Members – Clare Morvan, Carl Walker, Katharine Clark, David Tupper, Shelagh Dix, Louise Huby, Dick Richomme, and Cyril Renouf.

<i>Approximate Cost</i>	<i>£</i>
<i>Materials</i>	<i>20,000</i>
<i>Group/Travel Expenses</i>	<i>21,090</i>
<i>Less Volunteer contributions</i>	<i>8,920</i>
TOTAL	£ 32,170

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECT
KENYA



COMMUNITY WORK PROJECT ECUADOR

The Ecuador 2006 project was to work on the extension to the HCJB clinic in San Lorenzo in North Ecuador. HCJB was originally a Christian radio station broadcasting in South America in the 1920's. Over the years it has expanded and now has several clinics in Ecuador plus a large modern hospital in Quito. It has trained many doctors and nurses, some of whom are now working outside Ecuador as HCJB becomes more internationally focused.

The former Jersey Overseas Aid Committee had supported two previous projects on the HCJB site at San Lorenzo. The 2006 project was to construct a major extension to the clinic built in 1998. This extension, when completed, would become the main surgery and treatment centre and the existing clinic would become a maternity and outpatient facility.

A lot of time had been spent preparing for the team's arrival and an extensive work programme ensured there was enough work to keep the team fully occupied for the period on site and more. When the team arrived the site had been largely excavated and some reinforced concrete ground beams installed. The team were fortunate in that they had the use of a concrete mixer. This made the work much easier and of course faster. Digging foundations, loading the mixer and pouring the concrete were all physically demanding, particularly for people who were not accustomed to it. In addition to the main project the team was also able to install new rainwater guttering and lay underground pipes to the existing water storage tank which was constructed by the 2001 team.

Good interaction with the locals was achieved when the team visited the famous Otovalo market and attended services at both the Catholic Church and one to the non-conformist Church. One evening they were invited to a barbeque organised by one of the Church Ladies. This event turned in to a celebration as the ladies sang for team who responded with their own songs and guitar music. The team was also able to meet up with Dr Nicky Bailhache, also from Jersey, but currently living and working for HCJB in Ecuador.

Leader – Brian Stuttard

Team Members – David Agnes, Sue Baudain, Pam Chapman, Tim Crowell, Laura Elcock, Georgina Fowler, Ken Healy, Thelma Holmes, Paul Isham, Johnny Pearce, Anna Somma

<i>Approximate Cost</i>	<i>£</i>
<i>Materials</i>	<i>55,558</i>
<i>Group/Travel Expenses</i>	<i>22,526</i>
<i>Less Volunteer contributions</i>	<i>10,508</i>
TOTAL	£67,576

COMMUNITY WORK PROJECT
ECUADOR



**GRANTS AWARDED TO
JERSEY CHARITIES WORKING OVERSEAS**

GRANTS VOTED DURING 2006

- £1,500 **Bukit Lawang Trust** – Educational materials, Sumatra, Indonesia
- £3,500 **Good News Trust** – Nursery school and well, Kenya
- £1,872 **Jersey Aid for Europe** – Shipping cost of humanitarian aid, Romania
- £3,500 **Rotary Club** - Street Child Accra, Ghana



*Newly installed well at Kakelo, Kenya
Good News Trust*

**MATERIAL GRANTS AWARDED TO
JERSEY CHARITIES WORKING OVERSEAS**

- £20,000 **Island Friends Together** – Orphanage, Sri Lanka
- £20,000 **Island Aid for World Children** – Vocational Skills Centre, Ghana
- £20,000 **Christian Unity Group** – Health Centre, Kenya
- £13,000 **Friends of Ecce Homo Trust** – Maternal home, Romania



*Newly Constructed Orphanage, Sri Lanka
Island Friends Together*

MATERIAL GRANTS AWARDED TO JERSEY CHARITIES WORKING OVERSEAS

EXTRACTS TAKEN FROM CHARITY'S REPORT

CHRISTIAN UNITY GROUP

Health Centre, Kenya

The Christian Unity Group is an ecumenical group of Christians from various Town churches including Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian, Methodists, Quakers and Salvation Army, who meet monthly for worship and discussion. In October 2004 Paul Okumu, a Kenyan working in Jersey, spoke to the group about his very strong faith and about life in his home village of Nyalkinyi. As a result of what he said, and his humbling account of an incredible faith, the group decided to try to help the villagers.

The group's first goal was to provide clean water; they had been told that most water is collected from a muddy pond that is also used to water the cattle. After some fund raising they sent over the money to have a borehole drilled and fitted with a pump. In the meantime the villagers were asked what their most pressing need was and the reply came back that they needed a health centre, as none was available in their area and the children in particular suffered as a result. The Jersey Overseas Aid Commission was approached and funding was approved to buy the materials for a health centre if the Unity Group raised a team of volunteers to go out to Kenya and help with the building work. Finding the volunteers was the easy bit consisting of 4 Anglicans, 3 Catholics, 3 Methodists and a Presbyterian, who proved to be a most incredible team of hard workers whose ability to work together was held up by the local Kenyans as an example of what ecumenical should mean. Also important of course was to have a liaison officer in Kenya who could organise things for us. We were very lucky, Raphael Obonyo worked tirelessly for us throughout the preparation period and during our time in Kenya, without him there would have been times when the team would have really struggled.

Most of the time was spent carrying bricks and cement for the locals who knew a lot more than the team about bricklaying although the team did all managed to lay at least one brick! The team helped to produce the steel cages that would provide the reinforcement for the concrete ring beam and also dug holes in the hard ground and erected support posts for the security fence to be put up around the clinic. As the group departed, the local team had just finished the walls up to ring beam height leaving just the roof to be put on.

Apart from working the team was able to enjoy many social activities including a boat trip on Lake Victoria and another on Lake Naivasha, which was full of Hippos, and an incredible camping safari weekend.

It was a truly memorable project giving the local people a borehole, school feeding program and a health centre. It gave the team memories of a warm, friendly people that will remain with them all for a lifetime.

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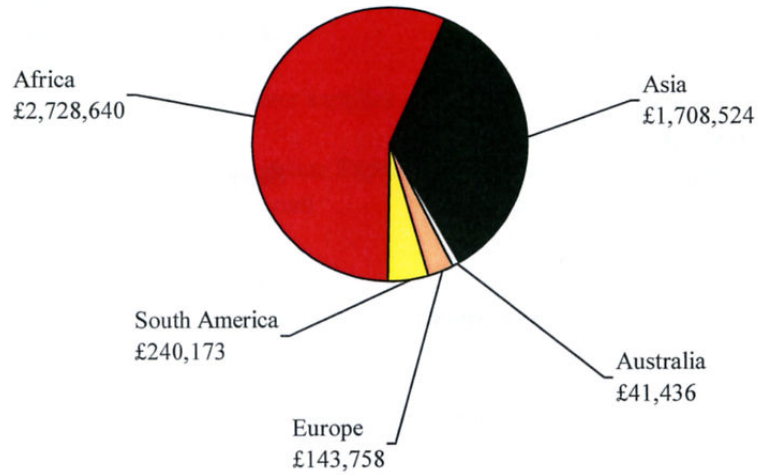
<i>GRANTS VOTED DURING 2006</i>		<i>£</i>
ACORD		
Food Security project	Guinea	26,390
Community grain stores project	Cameroon	35,157
Vocational training project	Rwanda	38,988
ACTION AID		
Mobile health clinic	Afghanistan	62,372
Safer water for life	Somaliland	65,000
Gravity water system	Sierra Leone	64,665
Rebuilding a school for displaced children	DRC	60,927
AMREF		
Malaria prevention and control	Ethiopia	43,075
Youth empowerment reproductive health	Uganda	24,085
BASIC NEEDS		
Horticulture project	Ghana	19,900
BRITISH RED CROSS		
Sustainable health clinics programme	Afghanistan	58,826
Water and sanitation project	Mozambique	58,385
BUSH HOSPITAL FOUNDATION		
St Francis container	Zambia	14,000
Montfort/Trinity/Mulange Mission Hosp.	Malawi	14,000
Various Mission Hospitals	Zambia	14,000
CAFOD		
Sustainable livelihoods programme	Zimbabwe	46,718
CARE INTERNATIONAL UK		
Food security & livelihoods	Sudan	64,982

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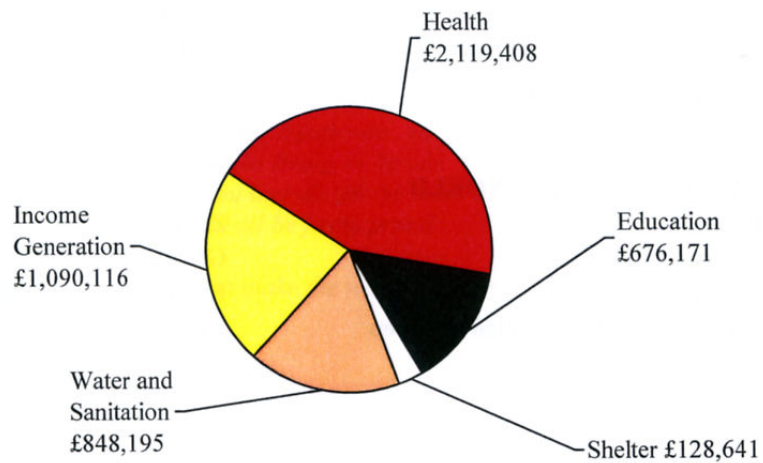
<i>GRANTS VOTED DURING 2006...continued</i>	<i>£</i>
CARE AND RELIEF FOR THE YOUNG UK	
Farming and food aid	Armenia 14,489
Gypsy resource centre	Bulgaria 24,750
School building renovation	Philippines 9,740
Extension to Rainbow School	Russia 16,000
CHILDHOPE	
Empowerment of children victims of sexual abuse	Bangladesh 21,547
CHILDREN IN CRISIS	
Midwife training scheme	China 43,045
Accelerated learning classroom kits	Afghanistan 38,080
CHRISTIAN AID	
Support to basic health services	Afghanistan 62,559
Integrated education programme	Sudan 47,387
Rural development	Bolivia 45,205
CHRISTIAN OUTREACH DEVELOPMENT	
Water infrastructure development	Burundi 24,215
Refugee health care	Chad 17,318
Kindergarten and boarding house	Vietnam 10,000
Livelihood development	Zambia 29,887
CONCERN	
School construction and upgrading	Kenya 47,899
Primary school sanitation	Burundi 11,122
Rehabilitation of healthcare facilities	Korea 7,084
DISABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT	
Partners training	India 33,899

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2006 ONE YEAR PROJECTS BY CONTINENT



2006 ONE YEAR PROJECTS BY TYPE



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<i>GRANTS VOTED DURING 2006...continued</i>	<i>£</i>
DURRELL WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST	
Increase household revenues	Madagascar 27,603
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EDUCATION ACTION	
Teaching resource centres	Sierra Leone 21,961
FARM AFRICA	
Raffia products marketing	Tanzania 37,528
Strengthening livelihoods of poor women	Ethiopia 14,085
Clean water for pastoralists	Kenya 21,235
Self sufficient livelihoods	South Africa 20,588
GLOBAL CARE	
Skills training and primary school	Uganda 25,000
HABITAT FOR HUMANITY	
Relocation of 100 low-income families	Madagascar 28,685
Housing for 50 low-income rural families	Papua N. G. 41,436
20 safe, decent affordable houses	Dom Republic 42,520
HANDS AROUND THE WORLD	
Staff homes	Zambia 14,000
Orphan support centre	Ghana 12,000
Classrooms	Benin 14,000
Accommodation for disabled children	Kenya 16,000
HELPAGE	
Poverty alleviation	Mozambique 40,754
Rehabilitation of health services	Sudan 48,654
HOMELESS INTERNATIONAL	
Supporting community water system	India 15,085

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GRANTS VOTED DURING 2006...continued

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IMPACT FOUNDATION

Third Year of 2004 3 Year Funding

Disability prevention partnership	East Africa	51,664
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First Year of 3 Year Funding

Provision of healthcare, safe water supplies	Nepal	48,482
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Renovating/re-equipping the Lifeline Express	India	63,195
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Establishment of paediatric eye unit	India	16,953
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Preventing disability	Bangladesh	25,360
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Pathological laboratory	India	10,341
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"I have been privileged over the years to see at first hand the transforming effect that your generous assistance has had on the lives, hopes and opportunities of individual, families and their communities. What makes it all the more extraordinary is that the generosity of Jersey ranks so high amongst western nations in its contribution towards overseas aid, leading the way and shaming other countries.

It is truly amazing that 87,000 people living in forty-five miles have made, and continue to make, such meaningful contribution to human development, the alleviation of poverty and towards realisation of the Millennium Development Goals.

Through IMPACT's programme alone, over the past twenty years, you have helped make over twenty million healthcare initiatives in thirty-three countries possible. That amounts to 230 immunisations, treatments, surgeries, training sessions etc. for every single man, woman and child living in Jersey. This figure must be multiplied many thousands of times when you include all the other agencies supported. What an achievement, of which you should all be justly proud.

Thank you for all you are doing to make the world a better place."

*Claire Hicks
Chief Executive
IMPACT Foundation*

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<i>GRANTS VOTED DURING 2006...continued</i>		<i>£</i>
INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL CORPS		
Women's livelihood support	Ethiopia	33,778
INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION		
Protecting girls at risk of child marriage	Ethiopia	47,562
INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE		
Increasing access to potable water	Guinea	25,000
Increasing access to basic healthcare	Guinea	39,950
LANDMINE ACTION		
Weapon/ammunition disposal	Liberia	63,500
Mine/UXO Clearance	Sudan	65,000
LEONARD CHESHIRE INTERNATIONAL		
Inclusive education	Botswana	19,000
LEPRA		
Improving leprosy diagnosis	Brazil	4,884
MARIE STOPES INTERNATIONAL		
Adolescent reproductive health	Uganda	47,697
Establishment of slum clinic	Kenya	42,820
Reducing risk of HIV	Mongolia	57,162
MEDICINES SANS FRONTIERES		
Free Kala-Azar treatment	India	65,000
HIV/AIDS prevention	Tanzania	63,500
Chagas disease diagnosis and treatment	Bolivia	41,573
MERLIN		
TB dispensary	Georgia	62,716

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MINES ADVISORY GROUP		
Third Year of 2004 3 Year Funding		
Village assistance mine clearance	Laos	35,561
Second Year of 2005 3 Year Funding		
Batticaloa mine action team	Sri Lanka	40,893
First Year of 2006 3 Year Funding		
Humanitarian mine action	Cambodia	50,867
Mechanical clearance support	Vietnam	41,041
OCKENDEN		
Safe drinking water	Afghanistan	42,844
Self-reliance for displaced people	Cambodia	21,631
ONE WORLD ACTION		
Integrated food security and nutrition	Malawi	17,317
Sustainable fishing cooperative	Philippines	18,197
Improved nutrition/homebased care	Malawi	12,542
Fairtrade	India	15,654
Employment for disabled women	Nicaragua	6,750
OPPORTUNITY		
Empowering women	Ghana	13,480
ORPHAIDS		
Palliative care facilitator/Doctor	Ecuador	21,654
Equipment for homecare patients	Ecuador	2,463
ORBIS		
Paediatric eye care	Bangladesh	47,329
Cataract services	Bangladesh	47,419
Eye care insurance for the poor	Bangladesh	23,113

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OXFAM		
Third Year of 2004 3 Year Funding		
Basic education for the internally displaced	Sudan	25,000
Second Year of 2005 3 Year Funding		
Women carpet weavers	Armenia	41,739
Cotton producers	India	60,389
Rural livelihoods	Ghana	64,530
PLAN UK		
Child health and survival	Guinea	65,000
Hexagonal classrooms	Ecuador	25,124
PRACTICAL ACTION		
Rural water supply	Mozambique	64,848
SAVE THE CHILDREN		
Third Year of 2004 3 Year Funding		
Improving quality of life for rural communities	China	49,995
First Year of 2006 3 Year Funding		
Improving child friendly education	Nepal	49,960
Care and protection for disabled children	Mongolia	65,000
Rehabilitation of primary schools	Tajikistan	56,000
SENSE INTERNATIONAL		
Skills development for deafblind teachers	Romania	30,312
SIGHT SAVERS INTERNATIONAL		
Community eye services	India	26,366
Comprehensive eye care	Tanzania	25,396

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<i>GRANTS VOTED DURING 2006...continued</i>		<i>£</i>
SOUND SEEKERS INTERNATIONAL		
Hark mobile clinic	India	64,846
Hark mobile clinic	Gambia	64,846
Uganda school for the deaf	Uganda	10,783
SOS SAHEL		
Improving livelihoods	Sudan	20,204
SUE RYDER CARE		
Clinical equipment for palliative care	Kosovo	7,957
Medical supplies for mobile clinic	Malawi	9,223
Medical supplies	Albania	13,000
Training of community health volunteers	Malawi	7,808
TARGET TB		
Mobile ambulance for TB control	Pakistan	27,442
Training community volunteers	Malawi	5,918
TEARFUND		
Third Year of 2004 3 Year Funding		
Samu water and sanitation	Sierra Leone	45,415
Second Year of 2005 3 Year Funding		
Kigezi Diocese water and sanitation	Uganda	50,000
First Year of 2006 3 Year Funding		
Integrated water and sanitation programme	Liberia	50,879
Integrated livelihood & food security	Zambia	55,288
Busha small-scale irrigation scheme	Ethiopia	65,000
THE LEPROSY MISSION		
Livelihood improvement project	Sudan	17,868
Mobile clinic for tribal communities	India	11,360
HANDA eye sight saving project	China	22,382
Improving TB diagnostic capacity	India	41,280
Active contact tracing	Malawi	21,500
Community development programme	DR Congo	8,320

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TOOLS FOR SELF RELIANCE	
Agricultural tools for rural communities	Ghana 15,055
Tools and skills development	Tanzania 20,822
Skills development of local Artisans	Uganda 4,000
Refurbishing training centre <i>(in Partnership with Kenya Widows and Orphans Trust)</i>	Uganda 33,833
Training centre for orphans	Kenya 12,315
 UGANDA SOCIETY FOR DISABLED CHILDREN	
Surgical equipment	Uganda 25,809
Special needs for primary school	Uganda 14,630
Physiotherapy unit/Orthopedic workshop	Uganda 34,613
Resource room/dorm primary school	Uganda 29,700
 UNICEF	
Second Year of 2005 3 Year Funding	
Sanitation for child development centres	Dominica 50,000
First Year of 2006 3 Year Funding	
Water supply and environmental sanitation	Cambodia 45,163
Basic services in Pygmy communities	Gabon 56,360
Support for children in Darfur	Sudan 65,000
 VSO	
Science teacher C. Murray (2nd year)	Zambia 8,067
 WATERAID	
Third Year of 2004 3 Year Funding	
Integrating water, sanitation and hygiene	India 57,000
Water/Sanitation	Nepal 20,857
Improving access to water and sanitation	Burkino Faso 23,000
 WORLD VISION	
Lwamata HIV/AIDS sector empowerment	Uganda 29,107

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EXTRACTS TAKEN FROM REPORT

VSO

Catherine Murray, Science Teacher, Zambia

“When I applied to VSO I had recently made the decision to step down from a position of responsibility within school. I feel that my passion and talent lie within the classroom and I was faced with the situation that my career success was taking me away from the very reason that I had entered the teaching profession. I had less contact with the students than I wanted and was increasingly discontent with the administration and meetings that come with a managerial role. So I requested a VSO placement in a classroom.

I arrived in Zambia in January 2005, on a two year placement. I am teaching Science at a large secondary school in Eastern Province. This is my final term before I return to Jersey in December. My time here has been characterised by both high points and periods where I have struggled. In this final report I will outline some of the achievements of which I am most proud.

My biggest achievement has been the introduction of student centred methodologies. Teaching in Zambia is very much teacher led. Students sit passively, listening and then copy notes from the board. The fact that they are being taught in English which is their second or even third language means they can have little understanding of what they are writing. I have worked hard to use a range of active learning strategies, any strategy that removes unnecessary text is a helpful one. In my first year here I taught half the grade 12 students Chemistry ‘O’ level and was very pleased that a number of them gained a level 1 or 2 in the final exam (the top grades). At present I have classes in Biology, Chemistry and Physics that I have taught over the two years. The average performance of these classes has increased. A big factor is their confidence, they are more willing to try the questions.

In Zambia being a female has been my biggest challenge. My male colleagues questioned the fact I had a degree and initially my male students were checking facts that I had told them with a male member of staff. I hope that I have helped my students to become more aware of their abilities and given them the confidence and self motivation to raise their level of achievement and hope for a better future for themselves and their families.

The biggest privilege that I have had during my time here has been the relationships that I have developed with my Zambian colleagues and neighbours. I will always be an outsider, the colour of my skin and my obvious ‘wealth’ both mark me out as such. But I am a member of this community. I have formed close relationships with the women in the school compound (primarily the wives of my colleagues) and have gained a real insight into Zambian culture.

The VSO community is a tight knit one. You rely on the other volunteers for both practical and emotional support. I have been very lucky to have had a really international volunteering experience, having contact with volunteers from Kenya, the Philippines, Uganda, India, the Netherlands and Belgium. It has surprised many of us just how different our cultures are – in some cases it has been illuminating to find I have more in common with a Ugandan than with another European!

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VSO

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I have survived two years away from my family and friends. I have done without electricity and water for long periods of time. I can cook tomatoes in about 25 different recipes (a necessity when tomatoes and onions are all that is in the market!) I can cook on a charcoal brazier in the dark and I can deal with spiders bigger than any I have seen before. I have travelled on a school truck and learned that there is no such thing as 'full'! I know how to harvest maize, how to kill a chicken and how to skin a goat. I can eat nshima with my fingers and I can understand basic Chichewa. I have learnt to reassess the value of time and I know that you can have nothing and yet still give.

My friends and family have been hugely supportive whilst I have been here in Zambia. In fact without their letters and parcels and emails I would have found the isolation of life in 'the bush' very difficult. Thank you to the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission for their sponsorship. I hope that it is felt that this sponsorship has been worthwhile. I know that I have played a valuable role here, certainly in the lives of the children I have been teaching. I am very grateful to have had this opportunity."

Catherine Murray
September 2006