

Good Shepherd Services

International Development Report 2015-16

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About this report

Good Shepherd Services' purpose is to disrupt cycles of intergenerational disadvantage. One of the key ways it does this is by providing grants and funding to support projects and programs, both in Australia and overseas.

Good Shepherd Services supports the mission of the Good Shepherd Sisters to create an equal, just and peaceful world, especially for women and children, through ethical and audacious responses to the urgent needs of our time. It is part of the Good Shepherd network in Australia and New Zealand.

The organisation is committed to best practices in international development and has been granted membership with ACFID. As a signatory to the ACFID Code of Conduct, Good Shepherd Services has made a commitment to the following standards:

- Seeking sustainable, fair and equitable solutions to alleviate poverty and disadvantage
- Providing full accountability to all our stakeholders
- Building creative and trusting relationships in the communities where we work
- Commitment to active learning and continuous improvement
- Being honest and transparent about our work and programs
- Respecting, protecting and promoting internationally recognised human rights
- Promoting environmental sustainability
- Strengthening civil society in Australia and across Asia Pacific in countries where we work.

These values align with the Good Shepherd philosophy and organisational values of justice, compassion, dignity, respect, cooperation, creative partnerships and reconciliation.

The Summary Financial Report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct. For further information on the Code, please refer to the ACFID Code of Conduct Implementation Guidance available at www.acfia.asn.au

If a person feels that Good Shepherd has made a breach against the Code, they can contact the ACFID Code of Conduct Committee to report any breach of the Code, if these standards are not adhered to. For more information visit www.acfia.asn.au

A full copy of the Good Shepherd Services' audited financial statements are available upon request or by visiting www.acnc.gov.au/ACNC/FindCharity/

Good Shepherd Services International Aid and Development Summarised Income Statement

For year ended June 2016

	Notes	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Revenue			
Donations and gifts - Australia		90	270
Donations and gifts - international		121	40
Grants		-	-
Other income		4,660	4,948
Total revenue		4,871	5,258
Expenditure			
International programs		129	40
Support to Australian organisations working in international development	2	431	431
Community education		-	-
Fundraising costs		-	-
Accountability and administration		284	135
Other expenses	3	8,604	6,916
Total expenditure		9,448	7,522
Net deficit for the year		(4,577)	(2,264)

Notes:

1. Expenditure against "Support to Australian organisations working in international development" includes support to The Trading Circle to assist 40 income generating projects for women and families.
2. "Other expenses" includes funds provided to Good Shepherd agencies and other charities, and support of the Good Shepherd Sisters.
3. No single appeal, grant or other form of fundraising for a designated purpose generated 10 per cent or more of Good Shepherd's international aid and development revenue for the financial year.
4. In the Audited Financial Statements of Good Shepherd Services, the donations received and the amount subsequently remitted to overseas aid and development projects are not separately identified.

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The accompanying summary financial statement, comprising of the International Aid and Development Income Statement and related notes for the financial year ended 30 June 2016, are derived from the audited financial statements of Good Shepherd Services for the year ended 30 June 2016. We expressed an unqualified opinion on that financial report in our report to the directors dated 11th October 2016.

The summary financial statements do not contain all statements and disclosures required by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commissions Act 2012. Reading the summary financial statement, therefore, is not a substitute for the reading the audited financial report of Good Shepherd Services.

Managements Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements in accordance with the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct.

Auditors Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Auditing standard ASA 810 Engagement to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

Opinion

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial report of Good Shepherd Services for the year ended 30 June 2016 are consistent in all material respects, with that audited financial report, in accordance with the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct.


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International aid and development activities in 2015-16

Good Shepherd Services is part of an international network of Good Shepherd organisations with affiliates in more than 70 countries. Good Shepherd International has Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations for its work with women and girls.

Good Shepherd Services contributed to international aid and development by supporting:

- Good Shepherd's Welcome House in the Philippines, which serves women and children who are survivors of sex trafficking and prostitution
- The Bukid Kabataan Centre in the Philippines, helping to re-build the lives of children who have experienced abuse and street life
- The Hands of Hope Centre in Thailand, providing villagers who are living with or affected by HIV/AIDS with dignified employment
- Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project's work with Syrian asylum seekers
- St Vincent De Paul's Grab-A-Bag food and blanket program in South Africa.

Maria is a young woman who made a new start in life through the Good Shepherd Welcome House and The Trading Circle in the Philippines.

When Maria was five, her father died and her family faced extreme hardship. When she was 10 she was coerced into sexual services for money and became trapped in the sex trade.

Maria fell pregnant in her teens and became increasingly depressed once her child was born. When she was pregnant with her second child, and barely surviving, she was referred to the Welcome House. She joined the Income Generation Program, which enabled her to earn money by making and selling artisan products. Maria now makes products that are sold through The Trading Circle—a Good Shepherd initiative that provides women with skills-based training and a means to trade in local and overseas markets.

This opportunity changed her life. Maria can now afford to pay rent, buy food each day and save some money. She's planning to complete her schooling through the Alternative Learning System in the Philippines.

In addition to supporting international programs, Good Shepherd Services supported The Trading Circle Australia, a registered not-for-profit and fair trade retailer in Australia. The Trading Circle exists to empower women in developing countries. It works with producer groups in countries such as Thailand and the Philippines, providing them with a marketplace for their unique artisan products so that they can raise themselves out of poverty with dignity and respect.

The Trading Circle sells goods made by the following producer groups:

- **The Fatima Centre** in Thailand provides around 70 women and girls with the opportunity to gain and use vocational and life skills to earn an income. The Centre also provides a Residential Care Program for girls, a Mother and Baby Program, a counselling service, a kindergarten and education for 250 refugee students.
- **The Regina Centre** provides training and full-time employment for around 400 women. The women are responsible for all management including production, decision making, accountancy and quality control. The women earn a fair wage in a stable environment which enables them to provide for their family giving their children access to an education and eventually university.
- **The Hands of Hope Centre** provides women living with HIV/AIDS to gain a reliable and dignified income by creating beautiful handmade products made from Saa paper. The staff at the Centre monitor the health of the women and provide respite care when needed. The women's children are sponsored to attend school and join their mothers at the Centre during holidays.
- **The Chiang Rai Youth Centre** offers a safe refuge to vulnerable girls from the hill tribes of Northern Thailand, who are living in dire circumstances and who frequently fall victim to human trafficking. In a nurturing environment the girls are given education, training in practical skills and employment. The Centre gives them the chance to break the cycle of poverty for themselves and their families.
- **The Alay Kapwa Cooperative** was founded in response to the tremendous poverty and lack of job opportunities available in the slums around the Philippines. The Centre provides health programs, educational scholarships and income generating projects where products are made using recycled materials which raises the quality of life for the women and their families.