



YOUR IMPACT 2019

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*Names have been changed throughout this report to protect identities.



IN 2019, SAVE THE CHILDREN REACHED CLOSE TO 40 MILLION CHILDREN DIRECTLY THROUGH OUR PROGRAMMING, ADVOCACY AND CAMPAIGNING, IN MORE THAN 100 COUNTRIES. WE RESPONDED TO MORE THAN 130 EMERGENCIES IN 64 OF THOSE COUNTRIES AND DROVE CLOSE TO 100 MAJOR CHANGES IN POLICY OR LEGISLATION FOR THE MOST DEPRIVED AND MARGINALISED CHILDREN.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE



**Heidi
Coetzee**

Chief Executive

This report tells the story of our work for, and with, children in 2019.

This year marked a few milestones for Save the Children New Zealand.

We joined our Save the Children family around the world in celebrating 100 years of saving children's lives and working towards a better future for children without differentiation on the grounds of ethnicity, nationality, creed or gender.

In 1919 Eglantyne Jebb and her sister Dorothy Buxton joined the Fight the Famine movement, spreading awareness of the famine brewing in Europe after World War 1. Eglantyne was arrested for distributing leaflets in Trafalgar Square that showed shocking images of hungry-looking children, with the headline: 'Our Blockade has caused this – millions of children are starving to death'.

Eglantyne was tried for her protest and found guilty. But the prosecuting counsel was so impressed with her that he offered to pay the £5 fine himself. That £5 became the first donation to Save the Children 100 years ago.

In 2019 we completed multi-year development projects in Laos that focused on disaster preparedness, and an education project in Indonesia. We also launched a new five-year programme in Cambodia that will help parents increase their incomes and invest more in the wellbeing of their children.

Save the Children has been working with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) on a new five-year partnership that will focus on helping communities in Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Fiji, Laos and Nepal.

None of this would be possible without the hard work and dedication of our Board, staff and volunteers.

Thank you!

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD



**Susie
Staley**

Board Chair

Our founder Eglantyne Jebb had an unwavering belief that “humanity owes the child the best it has to give”. This statement really resounds with us, so we've placed it at the forefront of our decision-making.

In New Zealand, we honour it by ensuring that all children can realise their rights and advocating for policies that always consider the child's perspective. Thirty years after the United Nations (UN) General Assembly adopted the Convention on the Rights of the Child, Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern pledged that New Zealand would recommit to it, promising to uphold the rights of children through the implementation of the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy. Once again we caught a glimpse of our founder's fearless spirit and bold vision, as the original

document, the Declaration of the Rights of the Child, was penned by Eglantyne Jebb in 1923.

While most of us will never meet the children and families we're striving to help, this year we had the wonderful opportunity to meet Rina on a special visit from Bangladesh. As a teenager with few opportunities, Rina worked as a sex worker in Daulatdia, the largest brothel community in Asia.

Rina was a determined woman, and she decided she wanted to learn to read, write and do maths so she could find better work. After mastering the basics she joined a Save the Children programme and was trained as a teacher. Fast forward to today, and you'll find Rina teaching the new entrants in Daulatdia with passion, love and kindness. Her hope for the future is to live in a place where children can learn and make good lives for themselves.

To the staff, donors, volunteers and my Board, thank you for your contribution to a very successful year as we continue to change the world for children.

Handwashing stations have been set up in Kenya to slow the spread of the virus.



LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Our founder Eglantyne Jebb was a feisty woman and an advocate at heart.

In the aftermath of the Spanish flu in 1918, and with the support of Red Cross, an international bureau was opened in Vienna with the express mission to fight epidemics.

Soon after the bureau opened, nations fought over whether the defeated powers of World War I should be included. Anti-Semitic elements lobbied for Jewish refugees to be quarantined in eastern Europe, in concentration camps.

Eglantyne stood out in this debate for her insistence on inclusiveness – even of Bolsheviks.

And here we are 100 years on and still at the forefront of advocacy for those who have no voice.

As we come to print this latest impact report, the COVID-19 crisis has become a disaster of unimaginable scale, affecting almost every country in the world in just six months.

Save the Children is working all over the world to raise funds for and respond to this disaster. While so far relatively few children have contracted the virus, we're very concerned about the long-term impacts of COVID-19. Children could become the invisible victims of this crisis as the whole world has been put on 'pause'.

Immediately following the announcements of quarantine, education was put on pause as 91% of the world's children were not attending school. Regular health programmes were put on pause too, leading to the re-emergence of killer childhood diseases that had been eradicated, such as polio.

World hunger has been forecast to double as global supply chains are put on pause. The COVID-19 crisis has generated considerably increased levels of fear and anxiety, contributing to the already high rates of mental health problems among children and young people.

But Save the Children has not paused. Thanks to our amazing supporters, we're working on the front lines to stop the spread of the virus where we can and keep children safe. We have extensive experience in preparing for pandemics: we've played a key role in responding to outbreaks of yellow fever, cholera, the measles and Ebola. Where we can, we'll continue to run projects safely to ensure that children everywhere survive, learn and are protected. Because when it comes to children, we don't pause.

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WE DO WHATEVER IT TAKES **TO SAVE THE CHILDREN**

Save the Children believes every child deserves a future.

In New Zealand and around the world, we work every day to give children a healthy start in life, the opportunity to learn and protection from harm. When crisis strikes, and children are most vulnerable, we are always among the first to respond and the last to leave. We ensure children's unique needs are met and their voices are

heard. We deliver lasting results for millions of children, including those hardest to reach.

We do whatever it takes for children – every day and in times of crisis – transforming their lives and the future we share.



OUR DEPTH OF EXPERIENCE IN CARING FOR CHILDREN

We have 100 years of child-focused expertise



WE DELIVER PRACTICAL 'IN FIELD SUPPORT' FOR CHILDREN

We run programmes for children in more than 120 countries across six continents

OUR APPROACH IS LASTING IMPACT ON A LARGE SCALE

Our signature programmes are evidence based, replicable, scalable and sustainable, generating positive results for children



WE DELIVER A BREADTH OF CARE FOR THE GLOBAL CHILD POPULATION

We strive to help the most deprived and vulnerable children

WE ARE FIERCELY INDEPENDENT

We are not affiliated with any government or religion. We are solely focused on the wellbeing of children



SURVIVE



LEARN



BE PROTECTED

WE HAVE AMBITIOUS GOALS FOR CHILDREN

By 2030 we will ensure:

- No child under five dies from preventable causes ► SURVIVE
- All children learn from a quality, basic education ► LEARN
- Violence against children is not tolerated ► BE PROTECTED.



HOW WE SAVE THE CHILDREN

For 100 years we have fought for children, so they can realise their full potential and make their mark on the world.

Save the Children is a federated organisation, made up of Save the Children International and 28 national member organisations including Save the Children New Zealand. Save the Children International, headquartered in London, was launched in 2010 to manage the movement's international development and humanitarian programmes. Save the Children International works through a network of 55 country offices around the world.

All members of Save the Children are working to deliver a shared vision for 2030, focused on three breakthrough goals:

- Ending preventable child deaths
- Ensuring that every child has the chance to learn from a quality education
- Making sure every child is protected from violence.

We put child rights at the core of everything we do and we prioritise the most deprived and marginalised children wherever we work.

In all our work, Save the Children aims to:

- innovate – develop and provide evidence-based, replicable solutions to the problems children face
- achieve results at scale – by expanding effective and sustainable approaches
- be the voice – campaign for better practices and policies to fulfil children's rights and ensure that their voices are heard

- build partnerships – with children, communities, governments, civil society and private-sector organisations – to influence others and increase our impact.

We prioritise our global resources to focus on the countries and the groups of children who are most at risk of being left behind – including girls and children with disabilities. We work in some of the toughest places to be a child, providing critical support through long-term, integrated approaches. We work in the poorest areas in the world, in humanitarian emergencies and in complex, protracted crises. The majority of Save the Children's staff on the ground in developing countries are from those countries. We work closely with and through local partners.

In New Zealand, we focus our projects for children on Asia and the Pacific because of our commitment to our neighbours, our experience and our partnership with MFAT. Save the Children New Zealand works closely with Save the Children Fiji and Save the Children Australia, and with in-country offices in Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. The New Zealand, Fijian and Australian Save the Children members co-ordinate responses and support children's rights across the region. In Asia we focus on countries and specific regions where there is the greatest need and we have established strong relationships.

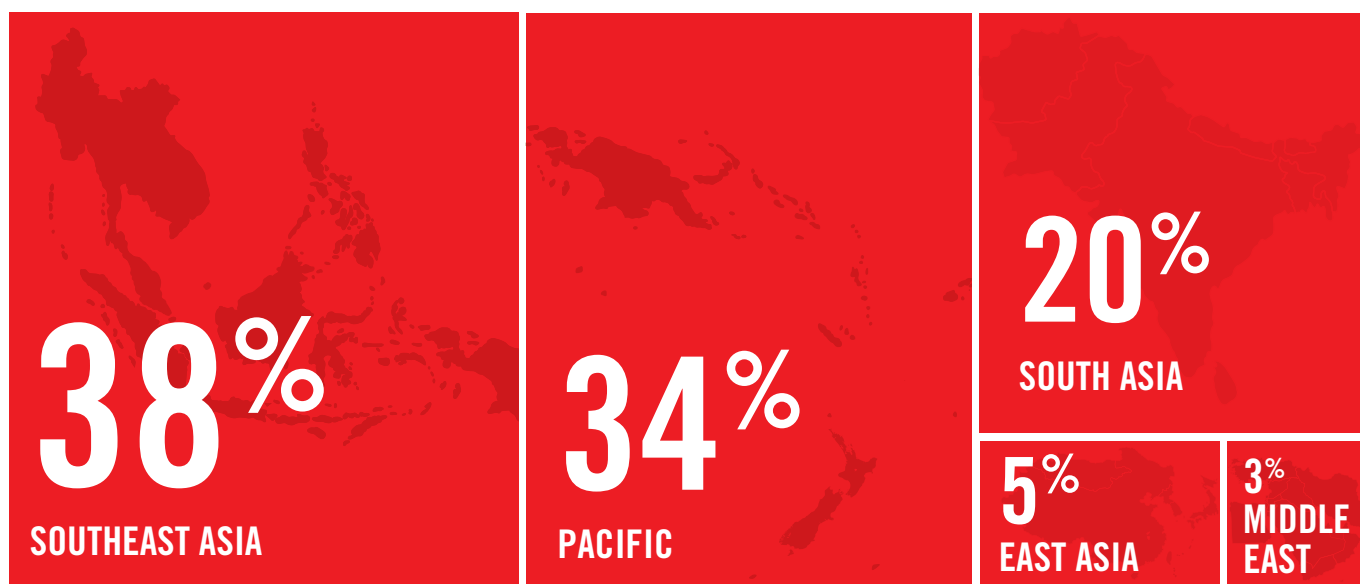


YOUR IMPACT FOR CHILDREN IN 2019

How your donations were spent in 2019:



Where your money went around the world



WHERE **SAVE THE CHILDREN** WORKS

*Save the Children work in more than
120 countries around the world.*

WHERE YOU MADE A DIFFERENCE IN 2019:



° **YEMEN:**
EMERGENCY RESPONSE



° **MOZAMBIQUE:**
EMERGENCY RESPONSE



° **NEPAL:**
CHILD POVERTY



° **BANGLADESH:**
**EDUCATION,
EMERGENCY RESPONSE**



FIJI:
**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS,
CHILD POVERTY**



° **VANUATU:**
**EMERGENCY
RESPONSE**



° **THAILAND:**
CHILD PROTECTION



° **CAMBODIA:**
CHILD POVERTY

° **INDONESIA:**
**EDUCATION,
EMERGENCY
RESPONSE**



YOU'RE PART OF A CENTURY OF CHANGE FOR CHILDREN

1919

After witnessing the plight of children caught in the aftermath of World War I, Eglantyne Jebb and Dorothy Buxton founded the Save the Children Fund.



1920s

1921

We launched our first major appeal to help feed children caught in the Russian famine – the biggest in history. We delivered more than 600 tons of food, set up 1,400 kitchens and fed more than 650,000 people.

1924

The Declaration of the Rights of the Child, originally drafted by Eglantyne Jebb, was adopted by the League of Nations, the forerunner to the UN.

1930s

We opened our first programme in Africa – a child welfare centre in Addis Ababa, Abyssinia (now Ethiopia).



1940s

1940

We asked supporters to sponsor children living under the shadow of World War II. Reminiscent of the Child Friendly Spaces we run today, we created playcentres in air-raid shelters in large United Kingdom cities to help children find a way to cope.

1950s

1954

The war in Korea left thousands of children destitute and alone on the streets. Our teams arrived in 1952 and stayed for more than 20 years. In 1954, donations helped us to set up a healthcare clinic, milk feeding centre and playground in a major refugee camp in Pusan.



1960

Elsie Leipst, a nurse from Hawke's Bay, went to Masan, Korea to work for Save the Children. Elsie supervised 13 orphanages, travelling to each one to provide medical assistance to babies and children. She then bought a house to set up a clinic. Families would travel from far and wide so they could start queuing early in the morning.

1960s

1947

Dutch immigrant Minnie Havelaar, an energetic and determined woman, established the first branch of Save the Children in New Zealand.



1984

Our staff and partners were the first to raise the alarm about the famine that hit Ethiopia in 1984. We distributed life-saving food supplies, and by September we were feeding 7,000 badly malnourished children every day.

1995

Save the Children New Zealand started work in Daulatdia, one of the biggest brothel communities in Asia. Through funding a pre-school and a primary school we provided the children with the possibility of a different future away from the brothel. We continue to support this project today.



1970s

1971

War broke out between India and Pakistan; three million people died and East Pakistan became Bangladesh. There were many refugees, and supporters of Save the Children in New Zealand sent milk powder, soap powder and medicines to assist.

1980s

1989

The Convention on the Rights of the Child, based on Eglantyne Jebb's vision for children, became the most universally accepted human rights treaty in history, and was adopted by the UN General Assembly.

1990s

2000s

2007

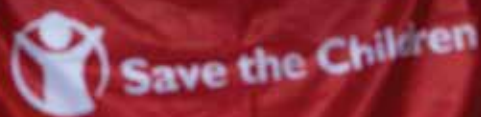
We were a key supporter of the law change to protect all children from physical punishment, meaning they were accorded the same protections from assault as adults in New Zealand.

2010s



2014

During the worst-ever outbreak of the deadly Ebola virus, we reached 4.6 million people, including more than two million children, in Sierra Leone, Guinea and Liberia. Our teams trained almost 2,000 community health workers, provided healthcare services, and ran a treatment centre that increased the country's bed capacity for Ebola patients by 20%.



YOU'RE HELPING REFUGEES TO SURVIVE

You're providing a lifeline of aid to half a million children and their families in the world's largest refugee camp.

Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh

Timeline: September 2019 – July 2020

Amount distributed: \$555,000*

People reached: 145,000

It's been three years since more than 700,000 Rohingya refugees fled for fear of their lives to neighbouring Bangladesh in search of safety.

They are living in squalid conditions on fragile land at high risk of cyclones, floods and landslides in the annual monsoon season. Homes made from flimsy bamboo, plastic and tarpaulin are unable to withstand strong winds or heavy rain. Proper sewage systems and electricity supplies are limited. In these precarious living conditions, children are incredibly vulnerable.

A refugee camp is no place for children to grow up. They want what every child does: a home, an education and a safe place to play and grow.

Thanks to you and our other generous supporters, children and their families have been given food, shelter, healthcare, safe places to play and a variety of basic supplies like cooking pots and soap.

Photo above: Momtaz* takes her baby Kayas* for a check-up at the Save the Children clinic in the Rohingya refugee camp in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. Baby Kayas was malnourished and treated at the Save the Children clinic.

YOUR IMPACT



Eight health posts are operating in the most remote camp locations and where there are currently no other health services. Each post sees an average of 70 patients a day



56 health workers have been trained, including medical doctors, pharmacists, counsellors, paramedics and midwives



Save the Children is one of the leading international NGOs in Cox's Bazar. We have reached 853,140 Rohingya refugees and members of the host community, including 469,430 children, since the escalation of the crisis in August 2017. Save the Children has more than 1,000 staff and volunteers supporting our whole response, with projects in child protection, access to education, health and nutrition, water, sanitation and hygiene services, and the distribution of shelter and food items.

* This emergency response was funded in part by the New Zealand Disaster Response Partnership, part of the New Zealand Aid Programme, and matched with donations from our amazing supporters.

YOU'RE MAKING SURE CHILDREN CAN **SURVIVE DISASTERS**

When it started raining ash in Vanuatu and people were evacuated, you were there to help pick up the pieces.

Ambae Island, Vanuatu

Timeline: September 2019 – July 2020

Amount distributed: \$555,000*

People reached: 145,000

In September 2017 volcanic activity on Ambae Island left it covered in thick ash. Ambae's 11,700 people quickly evacuated and were forced to stay away from home for four weeks. After returning home, they were evacuated again in August 2018 due to more volcanic activity.

For two years Save the Children supported these communities while they were evacuated, and continued to support them in recovery efforts once they were repatriated or relocated to the neighbouring island of Maewo.

* This response was funded by the New Zealand Disaster Response Partnership, part of the New Zealand Aid Programme, and the Start Fund.

"Save the Children helped us a lot. We came back to the island and we didn't have cabbages, but with the seed distribution we now have cabbages to cook in our kitchens.

"I was very happy because I received a household kit that helped me clothe the children and things to help me collect water, like jars."

YOUR **IMPACT**



16 child-friendly toilets with handwashing facilities were constructed



Vegetable seeds and root-crop cuttings were distributed to 1,043 households



94 'Tippy Taps' were installed in schools to support handwashing



Children's hygiene kits were distributed, including menstrual hygiene management items for older girls



Four farming plots were established to train local farmers in new planting methods for drought-resistant crops.

Photo below: We met Antonio* in the evacuation centre at Chapuis Stadium (now the Luganville Soccer City Stadium) – one of the biggest evacuation centres in the Ambae response. He had a laid-back attitude and a big smile. While other children we spoke to were shy and found it hard to articulate what they had been through, Antonio was happy to talk with us about Ambae and what it was like to be living temporarily in Santo.





YOU HELP CHILDREN SURVIVE WAR AND CONFLICT

In the worst place to be a child, you're making sure that children still have a future.

Yemen

Timeline: 2019

Amount distributed: \$127,000

People reached: Not measurable

Five years of relentless war have left their mark on the children of Yemen. Wounded, traumatised and hungry, and with limited access to basic services such as education, protection and healthcare, they are severely restricted in their opportunities for building a future. For many, years of violence, bombing and insecurity have seriously affected their mental health.

Save the Children is helping the most vulnerable children in Yemen, making sure they have enough food to eat, can access healthcare, can continue their education and are protected from violence.

Photo above: Ismail* was on a school bus that was bombed in August 2018, killing 40 children under the age of 10. He survived but sustained serious injuries, including a fractured foot and lodgements of shrapnel fragments next to his eye and in a leg and little toe. Ismail says, "War is not good. Everybody dies in it. The war is a curse. I wish it could stop now." Save the Children is there to make sure injured children like Ismail get the urgent medical treatment they need to survive.

YOUR IMPACT



220,000 children have been treated for malnutrition with Plumpy'Nut, a highly nutritious peanut paste, and vitamin supplements



215,000 children have been protected in Child Friendly Spaces, special safe areas where children can learn, play and begin the long journey to recovery



Save the Children has responded to deadly disease outbreaks such as cholera and diphtheria in 88 repaired health facilities and 23 hospitals



Food has been distributed to children under two and pregnant and lactating women



Temporary Learning Spaces have been set up, so that children don't miss out on an education. More than 79,000 children have received school bags or uniforms.

SHE SURVIVED LIVING IN A WAR ZONE

Noura* was eating just one meal a day, but thanks to you she now has food and is putting on weight again.

Zahra* lives in a camp for internally displaced people in Yemen, together with her husband and six children, including her youngest, 15-month-old Noura. They fled from their home in Hodeidah because of the ongoing fighting there.

“My children are going to school, but when they come home they tell me they don’t want to go back because the school might be targeted by a missile.

“We were all living in one room and because of the shelling and airstrikes you could see that the roof had cracked. Two missiles fell near our house.”

Zahra’s husband Saleh* was able to find work only sporadically to support the family. He has problems with his vision so he can’t see properly, making it even harder for him to find work when jobs are scarce. He told us, “Food prices have increased by 100% and I don’t have a job. This makes my life more difficult.”

On most days the eight members of Zahra’s family survive on only one meal. Zahra can’t breastfeed so they are dependent on formula milk that they can’t afford. “We’re struggling to find food. We eat just one

meal during the whole day. Sometimes my children feel dizzy and they fall down because they have no food in their bodies,” Zahra says.

The family arrived at the camp at night, and baby Noura was already unwell. “I think she got sick because she didn’t have food to eat. On the first day she had a chest infection with a fever all night.”

The next day Zahra went in search of a hospital and found the Save the Children mobile health team. The doctor examined Noura, and found that along with her illness she was severely malnourished. Her upper arm was just nine centimetres around, the size of two adult fingers.

Noura’s illness was treated with antibiotics and she was given therapeutic food for her malnutrition. Zahra stayed at the hospital with her baby daughter for five days until Noura’s condition improved.

Photo below: Noura and her older sister Shadia* were eating only one meal a day and living in a camp for internally displaced people because of the fighting in Yemen.



Photo credit: Jonathan Hyams / Save the Children

SHE KNOWS HOW TO SURVIVE A NATURAL DISASTER

Your ongoing support is teaching children and their communities to be prepared for natural disasters before they hit.

Fiji

Timeline: July 2016 – June 2021

Amount distributed: \$732,105*

People reached: 4,000

Research has shown that climate change is increasing the number of natural disasters each year – disasters like cyclones, tsunamis, earthquakes, floods and drought that destroy families' livelihoods, homes and food supplies.

Save the Children is helping children and their families to prepare for disasters, so that when they do strike children can continue their education and their families can continue to earn a living. In Fiji our programme is all about teaching the children to keep themselves safe and teaching families and communities how to prepare for, respond to and recover quickly from disasters. One of the lovely things we see is that by engaging children in what is usually the domain of adults, the children are empowered to become agents of change. They then take their learning home and teach their families.

Our team in Fiji runs 30 Child Clubs, where children meet after school to learn about climate change, health, hygiene and the environment through singing safety songs, doing activities and practising safety drills. They also identify places in their communities that will turn into hazards for children in a disaster, and come up with ways to lessen the risk – all in a fun way!

We've been working in 30 villages and informal communities around Fiji to help children and their families to prepare for disasters through improving community plans, supplies and facilities, family incomes and education.

YOUR IMPACT



All 30 target schools have developed disaster management plans



30 communities have created hazard and vulnerability maps, which identify potential risks due to climate change and in the event of a natural disaster



More than 800 Child Club members have developed their own household safety plans, which they have presented to their parents and community development committees to inform decision-making.

* This project was funded in part by the New Zealand Aid Programme and matched with donations from our amazing supporters.

Photo above: Thirty Child Clubs meet after school, enabling children like Gloria* to learn about the environment and disasters such as floods, tsunamis and earthquakes.

YOU'RE MAKING SURE CHILDREN CAN **SURVIVE FOOD INSECURITY**

From school lunches to garden plots, you're helping children to grow their own future.

Fiji

Timeline: November 2017 – October 2022

Amount distributed: \$764,939*

People reached: 1,721

Tropical Cyclone Winston destroyed communities throughout Fiji in 2016 and left people without the means to feed themselves. Families' garden plots and farmers' crop fields were wiped out. Any food that had been stored was ruined by the storm.

Thanks to the quick action of our supporters who gave to our emergency appeal, Save the Children was there when the people of Fiji needed help. And it's thanks to those same supporters who continue to give monthly that we're still there, making sure that Fijians have the knowledge and means to feed themselves and their families, even in the wake of another disaster like Cyclone Winston.

Farmers are being trained to cultivate crops that can survive a big storm, like cassava, or that grow quickly so they can be sold sooner and therefore earn more money. As part of the project they're provided with farming tools, cash-crop seedlings, fertilisers, root-crop shoots and herb trees.

Students are getting in on the act too, learning about good nutrition by growing fresh fruit and veggies in school gardens. Parent volunteers use the produce to cook

lunches that are much healthier than the typical brought-from-home option of fried noodles.

YOUR **IMPACT**



279 people have had either financial literacy training, which focuses on time management, budgeting, spending and the importance of having a savings account, or farming training on the safe use of chemicals and basic production and horticulture techniques



150 small grants have been approved for income-generating projects such as a beehive to produce honey, a chicken coop and a flock of chickens



33 school gardens have been established.

* This project is funded in part by the New Zealand Aid Programme and matched with donations from our amazing supporters.

Photo below: Children play in front of their village's chicken coop, which provides families with a income, and a source of food in a natural disaster.



YOUR SUPPORT HELPS CHILDREN SURVIVE POVERTY

By helping parents to earn higher incomes, you're making sure children have a chance to break the cycle of poverty and go to school.

Udayapur, Nepal

Timeline: July 2014 – February 2021

Amount distributed: \$348,456[^]

People reached: 6,281

When Save the Children started this project in Udayapur, many children couldn't go to school every day. Their parents couldn't afford it, so their older children had to either work or look after younger siblings. Fathers and teenagers would leave home to go to big cities like Kathmandu to find manual labour work in factories, for low wages.

Now the people of Udayapur are being trained in improved farming methods and business planning, then given small grants to start their own small enterprises. More parents are able to work near home and can earn enough money to feed their children and keep them in school. We're teaching youth vocational skills so they can get jobs near home and support their families as well. Higher incomes mean children receive a better education and can go on to pursue their dreams.

The greatest lesson we learned for future projects was that consistent engagement with and endorsement by the local government at every step ensured that the government ultimately took on ownership of the project, making it sustainable for the long term.

Photo above: Thanks to your support, farming families have received small grants to start their own agriculture businesses, like this family that is now growing tomatoes in plastic greenhouses and selling them in local markets.

YOUR IMPACT



Families have increased their average annual income from NPR 47,600 (NZD 647) to NPR 220,297 (NZD 2,994)



981 male and 1,529 female farmers have been trained in improved farming techniques such as nursery management, vegetable production, pest management, ginger and cardamom production, goat rearing, and drip irrigation



13 co-operatives have been established and supported to provide members with micro-finance loans and training in financial management, leadership and governance



450 youth have been trained in entrepreneurship skills so they can start their own businesses, and 161 youth have learned vocational skills such as furniture building, garment making and electrical wiring



The percentage of children enrolled in schools has increased by 26.7%, up to 95%.

[^] This project was funded in part by the New Zealand Aid Programme and matched with donations from our amazing supporters.

SHE'S GOING TO SCHOOL 'TIL THE COWS COME HOME

Anjali wasn't going to school, but thanks to your support her mother now makes enough money to send Anjali to school every day.

We first met Anjali when she was eight years old. Her dad had died when she was young, and her mum was struggling to make ends meet. She couldn't afford to send Anjali to school.

Now, we're proud to say, Anjali is 13 years old and loves going to school! Her mum has built up a small farm with chickens, goats and cows, as well as a plot for cultivating veggies. While Anjali helps out on the farm, picking produce and cooking for the family, she also makes sure to spend time on her homework.

Mum Binda is adamant that Anjali should stay in school for as long as she wants. "I couldn't study, but I want her to study well and she is a sincere kid." Anjali told us she's looking forward to learning how to use a computer this

year and to improve her English skills. She's well on her way to achieving her dream of being a teacher.

Photo below: Anjali helps her mother look after the family's chickens when she gets home from school.

In late 2019 Save the Children launched a five-year project in Koh Kong province of Cambodia, in partnership with the New Zealand Aid Programme, to help families make more money and diversify their incomes. The project will be similar to that in Nepal, with the ultimate aim of ensuring parents make enough money to send their children to school. We'll report back with more details on your impact next year!





LEARNING TO DREAM OF A FUTURE

In a town that's also a brothel, children have often followed their mothers into sex work. But now you're giving them an education and a chance to dream.

Bangladesh

Timeline: 1997 – May 2022

Amount distributed: \$311,726

People reached: 11,504

Daulatdia is the largest brothel community in Asia, with 1,500 sex workers. Around 1,000 children call Daulatdia 'home' – not that it's the kind of place where a child should grow up.

Save the Children has been working since 1995 to give the children who live in and around the brothel an education, protection and healthcare. Through the project you're funding a pre-school and a primary school for the children of the sex workers. You're also teaching mothers about child development and the importance of playing with and reading to their children.

In the past three years there's been a big improvement in teaching quality, school attendance numbers and school facilities and materials, enabling many more children to strive for a better future through education.

YOUR IMPACT



82 children have graduated from the pre-school and 61 from the primary school



18 refresher training sessions have been held for teachers



48 parenting sessions have been held to teach mothers about positive parenting methods and children's brain and physical development. They've learned how to teach their young children to count and creative ways of storytelling



265 children have received after-school remedial support in a safe and protective environment during peak 'business' hours. Children are helped with their homework and tutored in areas in which they struggle.

Photo above: Girls in and around the brothel community now have the chance to dream of becoming doctors and teachers, thanks to the education you're giving them.

LEARNING TO MARK OUT HER OWN PATH

Shuma* would probably have followed her mother and grandmother into sex work were it not for their determination to send her to school and your support to get her there.

A bright, energetic 14-year-old, Shuma wants to be a teacher. She attends a Save the Children-supported school next to Daulatdia brothel, where her mother Aklima* and grandmother Janu* lived for many years after being trafficked there.

The brothel is a maze of dark, seedy alleys, where children often hide under the beds of the single rooms where they live and where their mothers see clients.

It's here that Save the Children and a local partner established a school for children from the brothel in 1997. At that time local schools wouldn't accept the children of sex workers, meaning generations of young people were going uneducated, with girls particularly vulnerable to following in their mothers' footsteps.

The primary school has been supported by thousands of generous Kiwis in the past 20-plus years and is now a beacon of hope in the community. Parents from outside the brothel clamour for their children to attend, drawn by the excellent teachers and the inspiring environment.

Shuma's mother, Aklima, was fortunate to leave the brothel before her daughter was born. However, despite having never lived in Daulatdia, Shuma knows the reality of what life there could have meant for her. One of her friends was married off before she turned 18 and other friends have been trapped into brothel work. "Children can't live safely there as they may get involved in brothel work," says Shuma.

The top student in her class for five years, Shuma knows the education she's receiving is the key to a successful future far away from the squalid lanes and predators of Daulatdia.

Thanks to the generosity of many of our supporters, more than 600 students currently attend the school, ensuring that they too will be able to follow their own pathways in life.

Photo below: "Girls should be able to study and fulfil their dreams. They should decide for themselves what they want to be. If I study I will do well in life. I won't be a sex worker."

Photo credit: Allison Joyce / Save the Children



Photo credit: Save the Children Indonesia



LEARNING TO LOVE TO READ

Your support has taken children from not being able to read a single word to having a passionate love of reading.

Nusa Tenggara Timur, Indonesia

Timeline: June 2015 – May 2019

Amount distributed: \$280,855*

People reached: 6,095

Four years ago, the quality of schooling in eastern Indonesia was so low that 60-70% of second-grade students couldn't read a single word. What's more, only 35% of children attended pre-school, the lowest attendance rate in Indonesia. Parents who had low-quality educations themselves didn't understand the value of sending their young children to pre-school, and most pre-school teachers were unpaid volunteers.

Today, the quality has improved so much in the pre-schools that attendance is up to 73%, and parents have embraced the concept of playing with their children to help them learn at home. There is also a commitment to pay pre-school teachers and give them proper training.

As one pre-school teacher told us, "Before participating in the training we did not have any lesson plans. We used to teach children based on our assumptions. We did not use any method, we only sang and taught children about nature. After the training, we know how to develop lesson plans. We use several methods in introducing early literacy and maths."

With more vibrant classrooms and learning materials, better teaching methods and a big community emphasis on reading skills, thousands of children in rural Indonesia have fallen in love with reading and going to school!

YOUR IMPACT



3,639 children have attended reading camps after school



60 pre-schools have been supplied with educational toys such as blocks, alphabet cards and numeric cards, and outdoor equipment such as swings and a balance beam to support the development of children's gross motor skills



60 book banks have been established so that children can find more books to read outside school time.

* This project was funded in part by the New Zealand Aid Programme and matched with donations from our amazing supporters.

Photo above: Angga is one of the best students in his class and he likes to help his classmates with their reading too. He can often be found in the reading corner, curled up with a book.

SHE'S LEARNING IN THE WAKE OF AN EMERGENCY

You've made sure that girls have safe places to learn and play when their homes and schools are damaged by natural disasters.

Mozambique

Timeline: March – April 2019

Amount distributed: \$10,000

People reached: 409,606*

In March and April 2019, Mozambique was hit by two consecutive tropical cyclones, which devastated coastal areas and left a path of destruction across the central and northern parts of the country.

Leonilde* is 11 years old and lives in the Sofala province in the central part of Mozambique. She lived through Cyclone Idai.

"When the cyclone happened I felt the winds and saw our things being destroyed. Everything in the house was damaged. We were left with nothing. I was so afraid. I went to the neighbour's house to hide from the rain.

"We had to stay outside because the house was destroyed by the cyclone. When I see my school now I miss the roof sheets. It was destroyed by the cyclone. When it rains we

cannot go to school. My friends and I talk with each other about how life could have ended because of the cyclone."

After Cyclone Idai, Save the Children set up a Child Friendly Space in Leonilde's village. Her mother told us, "Parents had to find food and reconstruct the houses, building up everything from scratch. Children being on their own are vulnerable to exploitation and abuse, so while the parents worked the parents could leave their children at the Child Friendly Space. It's still running. Here the children play, draw and learn. It helps them get back to normal again."

We caught up with Leonilde again in September 2019, and she told us, "Life is more normal now. We play and help at home, like washing the dishes and taking care of the motorbike. We play games at home, when we don't go to school. I like to play and do homework together with my friend. I want to be a nurse when I grow up."

*As part of Save the Children's overall response.

Photo credit: Oskar Kollberg / Save the Children





THANKS TO YOU, THEY'RE PROTECTED FROM EXPLOITATION

Children have survived harrowing journeys, being trafficked across land and sea, only to get stuck in limbo in Thailand. Your support is keeping them safe and protected from further harm.

Thailand

Timeline: January 2016 – December 2020

Amount distributed: \$92,434

People reached: 1,000

In Thailand, Save the Children has been pioneering specialised care for unaccompanied, neglected children and victims of child trafficking. Many of these children are Rohingya refugees who have fled their homeland of Myanmar after witnessing horrors that no child should ever see: family members and friends maimed with machetes, killed or simply disappeared.

When they arrive at our shelters they're often scared and alone and they don't speak the local language. Your ongoing support ensures that these children live in a safe environment, away from abuse and exploitation.

Our shelter staff care for the children all day, every day. They teach them Thai and English, provide one-on-one counselling and do activities such as art therapy, designed to help them work through their traumatic experiences. The ultimate aim is to reunite these children with their families, but while they're with us, we do everything it takes to keep them safe and healthy.

YOUR IMPACT



132 girls and 38 boys in the eight shelters have received quality care and support.

Mrs Napassawan is a social worker who's been working with victims of trafficking for the past 20 years. She shared some of her thoughts about working with refugee children.

"These children have experienced physical and drug abuse, sexual exploitation, emotional abuse, neglect and rejection from family members – all of which have negatively affected their lives. Visible impacts on these children include low self-esteem that can lead to self-harming or dropping out of school, and for some children trying to create value for themselves in a misguided way.

"My biggest hope for any case I work in is to see them successfully leave our centre and return to society. A while back there was one case I was responsible for, which was very difficult. I had to use all my strengths to provide her with the necessary support. The day she left the centre, she came over to hug me and gave me a promise that she will make me proud. One day I got a call from her to hear that she just graduated and received a degree. She has made me proud as promised."

FROM NIGHTMARES TO DREAMS OF THE FUTURE

Zalu* lost his parents and fled for his life, but thanks to you he's safe and has dreams of becoming a teacher.

Zalu was eight years old when he and his sisters fled Myanmar on a boat in search of safety and a new life in Malaysia. He had lost his father at a young age, and his mother had died six months before he left Myanmar.

Zalu and his sisters spent a month at sea in an overcrowded fishing boat, living on just two boiled eggs each a day. After reaching the coast they took refuge in the jungle for two weeks, then they were found by Thai police.

When Zalu first arrived at Save the Children's shelter, the staff could see that he felt hopeless and depressed. The pictures he drew used strong colours and showed family members crying. He didn't have any expectations of happiness because he felt that things were out of his control and that circumstances couldn't be changed. He simply wanted to be with his family again.

Staff at the shelter started working with him using our Education in Emergencies programme, which is designed to help children recover after traumatic experiences and ease back into everyday life. The programme includes one-on-one counselling, Thai/

English language courses, life-skill workshops and art therapy activities.

Zalu proved to be a quick study with a thirst for knowledge. He would often ask his teachers for extra exercises and help his friends with their homework. The programme also helped him to build his confidence so that he could start going to school in the Thai system.

"Before I did not understand what was going on in class because I didn't understand Thai. But now I understand Thai more and am able to read and count. My favourite subjects are maths and English because they are useful in my daily life. I was so excited when I got fourth place in my class! In the future, I want to be a maths and English teacher," says Zalu.

Zalu is feeling good about going to school in Thailand now that he can speak the language, and he even asks for extra work to help him improve!

Photo: Thanks to your support, Zalu has learned enough Thai and English to be able to attend the local school and continue his journey of recovery.



Photo credit: Save the Children



GIRLS ARE PROTECTED IN EMERGENCIES

Thanks to the generosity of Kiwis, teenage girls were protected from sexual violence and exploitation in the aftermath of an earthquake and tsunami.

Sulawesi, Indonesia

Timeline: October 2018 – July 2019

Amount distributed: \$628,805*

People reached: 956

On 28 September 2018, a magnitude 7.5 earthquake struck the island of Sulawesi and triggered a tsunami with waves four to seven metres high. More than 4,000 people died that day and more than 70,000 homes were damaged or destroyed.

In a large disaster like this, which disrupts people's lives and results in hundreds of people living together in temporary shelters, there is a very high risk that children, and especially girls, will be trafficked and exploited. As part of the overall emergency response, this project was aimed at protecting teenage girls from violence and exploitation and giving them ways to cope with the trauma they lived through in the earthquake. Thanks to our supporters' quick response to the emergency appeal, Save the Children established safe places for girls to learn, play and recover and gave them opportunities to use their voice throughout the recovery effort.

YOUR IMPACT



11 Youth Friendly Spaces have been established as designated safe places for adolescents to go to during the day while their parents work to rebuild houses and find food for their families



85% of girls reached have used the positive coping skills they have learned when handling stressful situations



22 girls have attended journalism workshops and written stories of their own experiences of the disaster. The stories have been put together into a book to help inspire and support other girls in their recovery processes after a disaster.

*This emergency response was funded in part by the New Zealand Disaster Response Partnership, part of the New Zealand Aid Programme, and matched with donations from our amazing supporters.

Photo above: Putri* (left) and her family survived the earthquake, but her house and her school sank into the ground because of liquefaction. She has been able to keep up with her schooling at a Temporary Learning Space.

PROTECTING GIRLS FROM EARLY MARRIAGE

She was to be married to a much older man when she was only 14. Your support meant she could go back to school instead.

Rania* is 16 years old and lives with her mother and father in one of the poorest areas of Gaza.

Her parents took her out of school when she was 12 years old because they could no longer afford it. Just two years later they wanted to marry her to a man almost as old as her father.

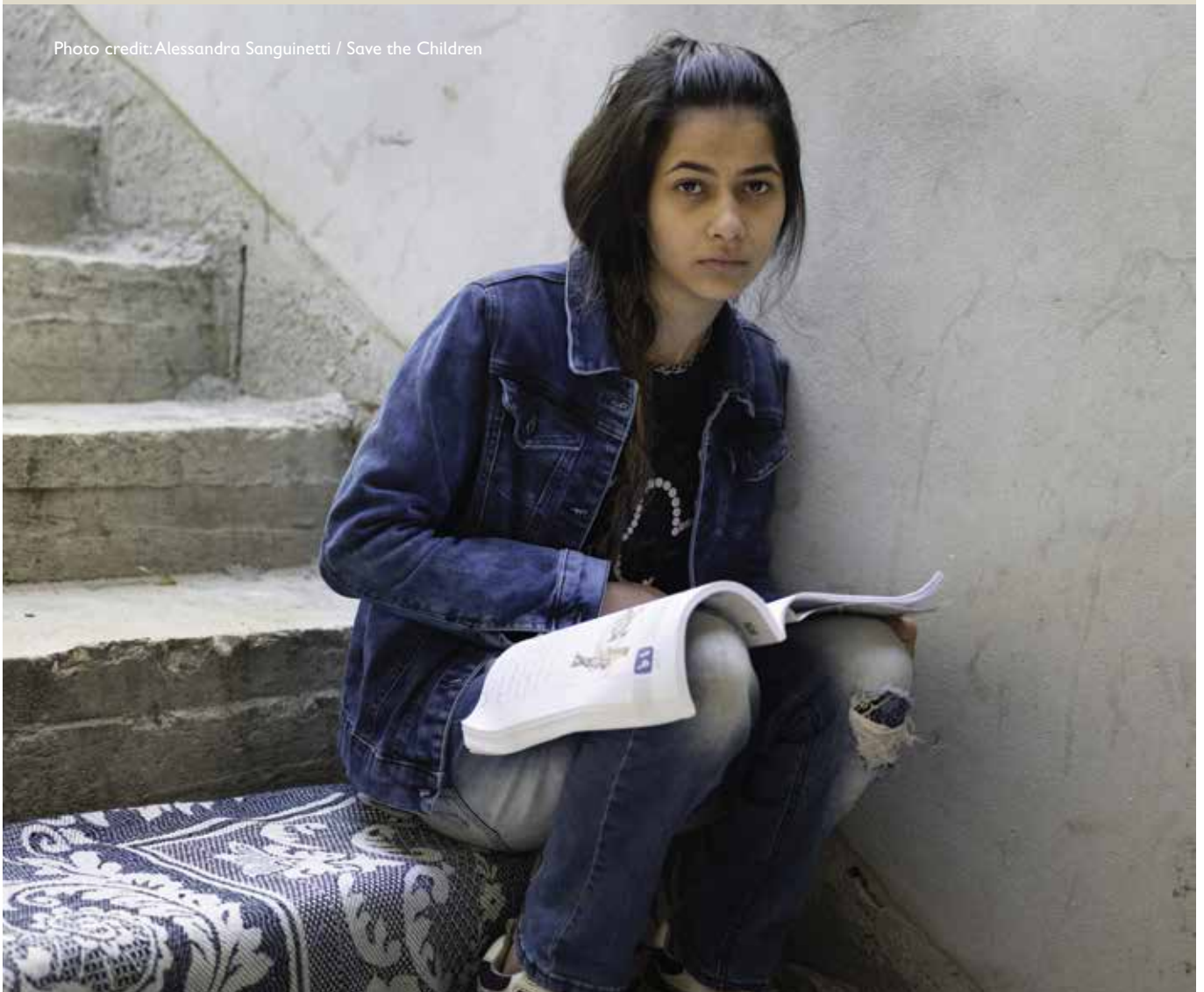
Where she lives, it's traditional for girls to be married early. Her mother believes the conflict in Gaza and resulting economic blockade means girls are being married even younger. Many of Rania's friends have been forced into marriage at age 14 and then abused by their husbands.

Thanks to your support, Rania received counselling after living through the trauma of the conflict in Gaza. She and her parents also received awareness sessions about child marriage with a case worker. Through these sessions, and support for her family to open their own business, Rania was able to re-enrol in school and avoid child marriage.

"I would have been married by now if it weren't for my case worker. I want to be a lawyer when I grow up, to defend women's rights."

Photo below: Instead of being forced to marry a man close to her father's age, Rania can now go to school and ultimately fulfil her potential.

Photo credit: Alessandra Sanguinetti / Save the Children



PROTECTING CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IN AOTEAROA

Advocating for children means standing up for children's rights here in New Zealand and around the world.

Our founder Eglantyne Jebb changed the way the world treats children by setting out the rights of children in the Declaration of the Rights of the Child. This became the basis for the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), a landmark document that sets out 52 rights to ensure all children will be protected, provided for and able to participate regardless of their ethnicity, gender, religion, location, wealth, ability or disability. It was adopted in 1989 by the UN General Assembly and has since been ratified by 196 countries, including New Zealand.

20 November 2019 marked 30 years since the adoption of the UNCRC. To mark this momentous occasion, Save the Children partnered with Barnardos, the Children's Rights Alliance Aotearoa and OMEP (the World Organisation for Early Childhood Education) to hold a children's picnic in the grounds of Parliament, hosted by the Prime Minister, Jacinda Ardern. Ms Ardern took the opportunity to open a new Parliament playground for children and publicly pledged a recommitment to children's rights in Aotearoa.

Today, according to the Child Poverty Monitor, 23% of children in New Zealand live in poverty.

These children are unfairly limited in their opportunities and choices and too many of them don't have their rights met.

In New Zealand we continue our work to grow a culture of children's rights, where every child has their rights upheld and respected. We focus on advocating to the Government to improve policies that will make life better for all New Zealand children.

We've advocated on a number of key government policies that directly affect our children, such as the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy and the Early Learning Action Plan. The Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy sets out a shared understanding of what's important for child and youth wellbeing and guides the Government (and others) on actions they should take to protect, include and care for our children. The Early Learning Action Plan is intended to raise the quality and improve the equity of early learning and care provision for every child involved in early childhood education.

Photo below: Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern and Speaker of the House Trevor Mallard hosted the opening of a new children's playground at Parliament and recommitted New Zealand to the UNCRC.

Photo credit: Ally Clelland / Save the Children



AND AROUND THE WORLD

Too many children around the world don't have their rights met, as set out by the UNCRC. Your support means we can continue to stand up for children whenever their rights are denied.

Millions of children continue to live in poverty, suffer from hunger, are denied an education or are victims of violence. Save the Children is an outspoken champion for every last child. Drawing on a century of expertise, we work to ensure children's voices are heard, their rights are realised and their issues are given top priority. We educate and engage with policymakers to champion policies and programmes that improve the lives of children, especially the most vulnerable.

Our research report, *Unsafe and Unseen: Underinvestment in ending violence against children in the Pacific and Timor Leste*, found that more than four million children in eight Pacific Island countries experience violent discipline at home. Negative health impacts include serious injury, death, unwanted pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections, mental trauma and impaired intellectual abilities and cognitive development. Violence severely limits children's ability to reach their full potential and should be considered a public health emergency with serious implications for a country's economy.

Furthermore, the research revealed a serious underinvestment by donors in properly addressing the child protection crisis in the Pacific and Timor Leste. Based on these findings, our advocacy with partners to end violence against children in the Pacific led to MFAT committing \$1 million to fund programmes that address these issues.

Globally, our advocacy and campaigning work to end child marriage has led to 20 significant wins, including the outlawing of child marriage in Mexico, Mozambique, Tanzania and Cote d'Ivoire. We've also worked to raise girls' voices and engagement in civic and political spaces.

In 2019 we launched a global campaign called Stop the War on Children to call on world leaders and governments to uphold international laws to protect children in conflict, to hold perpetrators to account, and to help children recover. Launched at the Peace Palace in The Hague, the Netherlands, the rallying cry was heard around the globe throughout the year, with events in 25 other countries and commitments from member states at the UN General Assembly. We met our target of securing the endorsement of the Safe Schools Declaration in at least 100 countries. Governments, including those in Germany, Italy and Norway, suspended or banned the export of arms to parties involved in the conflict in Yemen. Some of the children born to foreign fighters in Syria were successfully repatriated home to Australia, Norway, Sweden and the UK. In many cases this was a result of our leadership, sustained partnerships, advocacy and campaigning. Half a million supporters around the world joined us in calling for the protection of children in conflict zones and a stop to the war on children.

OUR AMAZING SUPPORTERS IN 2019

We wholeheartedly thank all those who have supported Save the Children and worked alongside us to help millions of children around the world to survive, learn and be protected. We are only able to recognise some of our supporters here, but without everyone who stands alongside us, our work would not be possible. Thank you all.

PARTNERING FOR IMPACT

We work alongside MFAT to deliver programmes that will have impacts for children that last beyond the end of the projects

and our involvement. This year we wrapped up two major projects in Laos and Indonesia that were funded in part by MFAT and matched by donations from our amazing public supporters. While these projects were successful, we learned some important lessons.

We learned that when working in development, we need to be able to change projects sometimes in order to address the changing needs of the countries in which we're working. Collaboration with other NGOs is important to us as well, because it means we can be more efficient with donor money and more effective in our programme delivery. Ultimately it means we save more children's lives.



This year, Save the Children (as one of three pilot agencies) began working with MFAT to develop a new type of funding relationship: a negotiated partnership. Our shared vision for the partnership is that children survive, learn and are protected. This is part of MFAT's new approach to engaging with New Zealand NGOs called *Partnering for Impact*. The new approach will see us listening and responding to the voices of the countries with which we're working and gives us more flexibility in whom we work with on the ground.

We're really excited about a new, five-year, multi-country programme that we'll be launching with MFAT in 2020. We'll be working in Fiji, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands and Laos in three key areas: child protection, safe schools and child poverty. We're contributing our common approaches - tried and tested programme methods that address common issues for children and have been developed by experts at Save the Children.

Please note: The views expressed in this publication do not necessarily reflect those of the New Zealand Government.



CHILD PROTECTION

Violence against children is no longer tolerated



SAFE SCHOOLS

All children learn from a quality education



CHILD POVERTY

All children have access to health and nutrition.

The programmes in Fiji, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands and Laos have the potential to help 74,000 people.

THEY'RE MAKING A POSITIVE FUTURE POSSIBLE

Long-time supporters Rod and Kaye Omnet believe that helping vulnerable children at an early age will make a long-term difference.

Keen to experience the impacts of their support first-hand, Rod and Kaye travelled to Bangladesh in 2018 with other Save the Children supporters and staff to experience our education programme for children from Daulatdia brothel.

Rod and Kaye were deeply affected by all they experienced.

"The women struggle to determine their own futures and the children are raised in the middle of a seemingly hopeless situation," says Kaye.

"Adjacent to the brothel are the pre-school and primary school where more than 700 children are educated by Bangladesh staff. Save the Children New Zealand faces the challenge of financing this programme.

"The few days we spent at the school with the children, local teachers, health and office administrators and New Zealand personnel were an experience almost too good to be true. The commitment and dedication to, and love for the children were evident, with everyone focused solely on providing better outcomes for the children of Daulatdia. It seemed to us that for the Bangladesh and New Zealand staff it was more than just an occupation – perhaps their love of and commitment to the children is part of who they are."

"We're inspired to help fund this work because we know that many of the children who attend the school – and we met some of them – have become educated adults who are now making a good go of it away from the brothel village. With good occupations and in stable relationships, they are now in charge of their own futures. Supporting these vulnerable children at an early age is something we find so rewarding. The committed partnership between the Bangladesh and New Zealand teams makes a positive future possible for the forgotten children of the brothel."

Save the Children is grateful to all our supporters who share the love and commitment that make life-changing partnerships like these possible.



Photos above: Rod and Kaye witnessed the power of their support when they visited the school and met the children in Daulatdia.

Photo credits: Mandy Carian, Rod Omnet



THE POWER OF PEOPLE'S SUPPORT

“If you have a good scheme going, especially in the education area, you can lift children out of poverty and there’s some hope for them for a better future than their parents had.”

For their second daughter’s christening party, instead of asking for gifts, Pam and Arthur Davis opted for donations to Save the Children. This set the Davises on a lifelong journey of helping vulnerable children.

Pam and Arthur started by sponsoring a family in Morocco. They then became actively involved, taking up roles on the Save the Children Board and national committees, at their local branch and at a Save the Children charity shop.

Now, more than five decades later, the relationships forged through their generosity and kindness have rewarded Pam and Arthur in ways they couldn’t have imagined.

Like meeting seven-year-old Sekove. Travelling over rivers and trekking through mud-forged paths to meet the family they were sponsoring, there in an isolated Fijian village was little Sekove and his two sisters, not much older. They were living in a tiny hut with rotting floorboards and no running water or electricity. The conditions were dire, and with only their aging grandparents to care for them and little financial means, their future looked bleak.

Pam and Arthur provided the necessities for these young children through their sponsorship, watching them grow

over the years along with their hopes for a better future. Knowing the importance of an education in lifting children out of poverty, Pam and Arthur didn’t hesitate to extend their support past secondary school to put the eldest daughter through nursing school. Being able to earn a living as a nurse meant that she in turn could afford to fulfil Sekove’s lifelong dream of studying to become a minister.

So great was Sekove’s gratitude that when the time came for him to become a father, Arthur gladly granted his request to name his first-born son after him.

Pam and Arthur know the devastation that poverty wreaks on communities. They also know the hope that education brings. From being able to provide a school uniform so a child can enter a classroom to setting up after-school learning centres, giving much-needed assistance and encouragement can be all it takes to empower a family and their community.

Pam and Arthur have seen the transformational power of their support, which is one of the reasons for their taking their commitment further and leaving gifts in their Wills. “We believe in the work and integrity of Save the Children,” they say.



LEAVING A LASTING LEGACY

Barbara Dawn has made sure that she'll continue helping children around the world, even beyond her own lifetime.

Barbara Dawn was a longstanding Save the Children supporter. Over many years she quietly donated to our programmes for children in need around the world. When she died we were touched to learn that she'd continued her lifetime support through a generous gift in her Will. In addition to her own assets, Barbara's estate included assets inherited from her brother Bob. Barbara wished it to be known that the gift made to us was made by her and Bob jointly.

Sadly, we didn't get to meet Barbara, but through her lawyer we know something of her life story. She was born in Auckland in 1927 and grew up with Bob and their parents in Remuera. After gaining a degree at The University of Auckland, Barbara worked at Chelsea Sugar. She became manager of the refinery's laboratory, and worked there until she retired.

Barbara and Bob lived in Auckland all their lives. They led very understated and simple lives and were not interested in spending money on themselves, despite having the means. Their frugal way of life meant their joint legacy was a substantial gift to Save the Children.

We're immensely grateful to Barbara and Bob for their gift to us, following Barbara's lifetime of support. Their generosity has made a world of difference to our work, with many vulnerable children in our programmes benefiting from their compassion. They have truly left a lasting legacy.

We wish to thank all those special supporters who've left gifts in their Wills to Save the Children. We're deeply grateful, as their gifts help to save and improve the lives of some of the world's most disadvantaged children – and bring them hope for a positive future.

Photo above: Children like Shuma* are receiving a quality education through Barbara and Bob's kindness.



Photo credit: Ally Clelland / Save the Children.



CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS

The Wellington volunteer branch of Save the Children and the British High Commission have enjoyed a successful partnership for more than 20 years.

In 1998 a group of Save the Children volunteers from the Wellington Branch joined the British High Commissioner in hosting a Christmas fundraiser at historic Homewood, the High Commissioner's Wellington residence.

From small beginnings, the International Christmas Fair has become a fixture on Wellington's pre-Christmas events calendar. The international theme is a constant with a range of embassies selling favourite foods from their respective countries, and school children and community groups provide entertainment in the Homewood grounds. This fair is also renowned for its legendary Devonshire teas. A special mention goes to Beth Pethig, who's baked every single scone sold!

2019 was a bumper year, with a record amount raised. In its 21 years the fair has provided almost \$500,000 for Save the Children's programmes.

The driving force in those 21 years has been Wellington Branch President Sue Clothier. However, as Sue is quick to say, "It's a branch effort. I do the organising but if I didn't have a committee it wouldn't happen."

Another key to the success of this long-running fundraiser has been the close relationships developed between the branch

and successive British High Commissioners and their families. The partnership is strengthened by the High Commissioner's spouse serving as the branch's patron (currently Toby Fisher, husband of Her Excellency Laura Clarke).

When asked what has kept the Wellington Branch motivated to run the fair year on year, Sue says it is its unwavering commitment to helping disadvantaged and vulnerable children. "We believe in what we do."

Photo above Left: Beth Pethig, scone maker, hard at work in the Homewood kitchen. **Photo above Right:** Her Excellency Laura Clarke, British High Commissioner, with her daughter Nell Fisher and the Kiwi Thai community dancers.

A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR PATRONS!



Toby Fisher

Spouse of the British High Commissioner
Patron to the Wellington Branch

Dame Patsy Reddy

Patron to Save the Children New Zealand

ROSA'S MAKING MONEY FOR JAM

Volunteer Rosa Waddington is an extraordinary fundraiser for Save the Children.

With fellow volunteers from the Waitakere Branch, she has been holding a monthly market stall at Waitakere Hospital since July 2006, selling a range of baked goods, jams and fresh seasonal produce and flowers.

The stall has grown over time, as have the takings, which now approach \$400 each month. Customers come back regularly for favourites such as chocolate brownies, wholemeal date loaves, lemon honey and biscuits.

Rosa comments, "Our stall is an ideal way for the Waitakere Branch to not only raise funds, but also maintain Save the Children's profile in our community."

A big thank you to Rosa, her fellow Waitakere Branch volunteers, and all the dedicated supporters around the country who give so much of their time and energy to Save the Children.



Photo credit: Rosa Waddington

YOUR OUTSTANDING SUPPORT

Our donors are simply amazing. We couldn't be more grateful to the New Zealand public for providing 79% of our income in 2019!

Almost 20,000 of our donors are supporting our long-term development projects for children with regular monthly gifts. Regular giving is so powerful – it has enabled us to commit to the five-year, multi-million-dollar partnership programme with MFAT because we know that we'll have the funds ready to go.

Through regular monthly donations and one-off gifts to special appeals and emergencies, whether big or small, every donation helps transform and save a child's life!

Your support is hard at work, changing the lives of children by ensuring they survive, learn and are protected. If you'd like to join us with a monthly gift, it's easy to sign up! Simply go to our website www.savethechildren.org.nz and click 'Donate Now'. Be sure to select 'Give Monthly'.



\$10

could pay for antibiotics to treat a child suffering from pneumonia and struggling to breathe



\$47

could buy a box of 150 sachets of Plumpy'Nut to treat severely malnourished children



\$72

could pay for a monthly health check for children at the primary school in Daulatdia brothel



\$143

could pay for a box of water purification tablets to make water safe for children to drink



OUR COMMITMENT TO ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

We take full responsibility for using our resources efficiently, achieving measurable results and being accountable to our supporters, partners, staff and, most of all, children.



ACCOUNTABILITY

Save the Children New Zealand is a member of the Council for International Development (CID) and is a signatory to the CID Code of Conduct. The code requires members to meet high standards of corporate governance, public accountability and financial management.

Save the Children New Zealand is a member of the Fundraising Institute of New Zealand (FINZ) and adheres to the FINZ Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct. The application of ethics in fundraising practice provides the fundraiser and the industry with the means to enter ongoing relationships of trust with donors, supporters, volunteers and the beneficiaries of funds raised. More information about the FINZ Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct is available on the FINZ website at www.finz.org.nz.



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Complaints relating to alleged breaches of the CID Code of Conduct by any signatory agency can be made to the CID Code of Conduct Committee. More information about the CID Code of Conduct can be obtained from CID at www.cid.org.nz and code@cid.org.nz.

If you have a complaint against Save the Children New Zealand, you can email us at info@savethechildren.org.nz or call us on 0800 167 168. We aim to handle all complaints as promptly and responsibly as possible.



GOVERNANCE

Our Board brings a diverse range of highly experienced leaders to Save the Children. Leaders in their own fields, ranging from legal and financial to governance, management, marketing, communications, education and relationship management, they provide strategic direction and strong governance to ensure Save the Children New Zealand achieves its goals.



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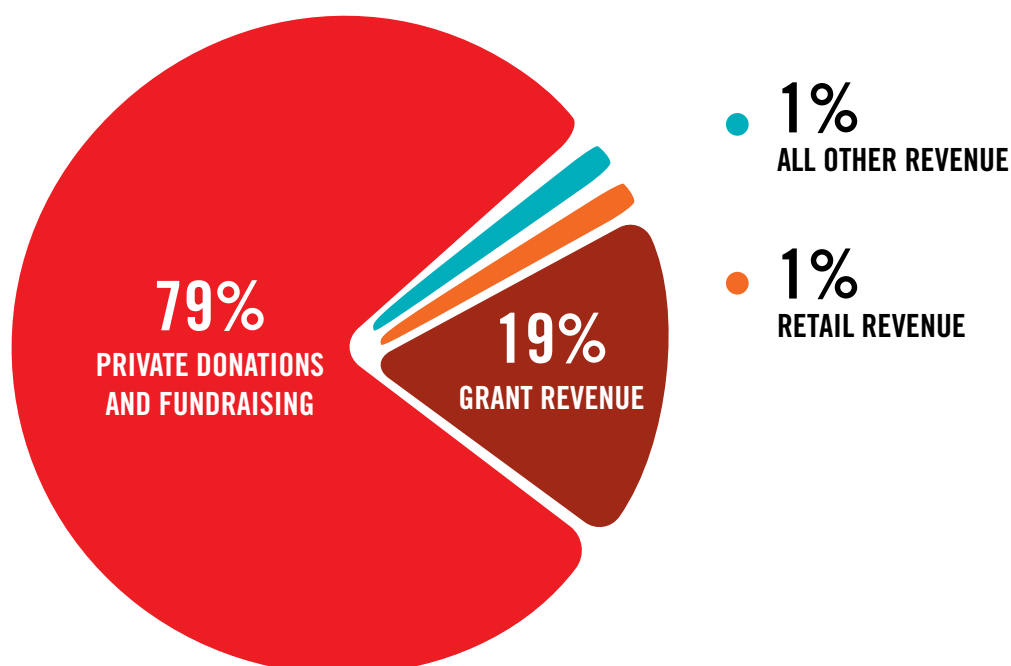
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSES, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2019

REVENUE	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Grants	2,419	4,430	1,014	3,718	2,728
Fundraising	10,062	8,149	6,548	6,197	5,440
Retail	190	215	217	269	830
Other	133	101	91	116	190
TOTAL REVENUE	12,804	12,895	10,870	10,300	9,188

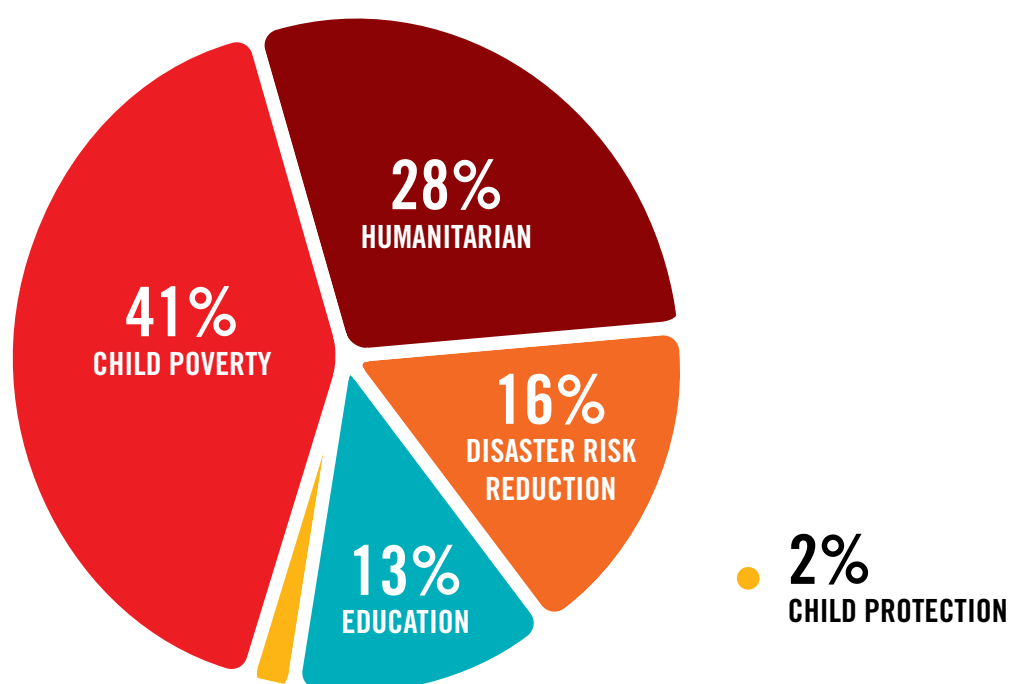
EXPENSES	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Programmes	4,821	6,698	6,541	6,333	5,081
Engagement	3,909	4,272	3,217	2,773	2,581
Retail	136	123	157	218	818
Administration & Governance	863	801	842	1,277	1,357
TOTAL EXPENSES	9,729	11,894	10,757	10,602	9,837
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE AND EXPENSES	3,075	1,001	113	(301)	(649)

Full financial statements are available on request. Figures in \$000s.

2019 REVENUE



WHERE YOUR MONEY WENT



FINANCIAL REVIEW

The unusual performance of programme delivery in 2019 has had a major impact on the financial result. During the year a new agreement was negotiated with MFAT, with programme design work begun on a number of new programmes. However, no delivery was able to be progressed until the agreement was finalised.

This slow start to new programmes, coupled with existing programmes finishing, has resulted in the following:

15%

Reduction in
grant revenue

14%

Reduction in
programme delivery

Our fundraising activities produced another fantastic result, growing by:

123%

Over the
2018 result

Second year in
a row that growth
has exceeded

120%

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POSSIBLE FOR
CHILDREN.
THANK YOU!**





Nomin-Erdene is the three-year-old daughter of nomadic herders on the western Mongolia steppe. For the past three years the area has been hit by dzud, extremely harsh winter conditions that have killed large numbers of sheep, goats, cattle and camels. This is a threat not only to livestock but to the nomads' way of life. Thanks to you, Save the Children helped 839 herder households by providing livestock fodder and cash transfers so families could buy what they needed to survive.

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