



Annual Report

2014/15
Australia



In 2014 WaterAid Australia celebrated 10 years of working with some of the world's poorest people to improve their lives with access to safe water, toilets and hygiene education.

2004

WaterAid Australia was founded in collaboration between the water industry and the international aid sector.

We began funding projects in Papua New Guinea.

2005

WaterAid Australia was officially launched at Parliament House by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Honourable Alexander Downer.

We started funding projects in Timor-Leste.

2010

WaterAid Australia became one of four founding members of WaterAid International, along with the United Kingdom, America and Sweden.

We started supporting water, sanitation and hygiene programs in Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Malawi, Nepal, Mozambique and Tanzania with funding from the Australian government.

2013

WaterAid Australia established a country program in Cambodia.

2015

We set up a country program in the Solomon Islands.

In the last 10 years we have launched national campaigns to boost public awareness and government support for our work.

WaterAid's vision is of a world where everyone, everywhere has safe water, sanitation and hygiene.

WaterAid is an international non-government organisation which works in countries across Africa, Asia, Central America and the Pacific region to transform lives by improving access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene in some of the world's poorest communities. We work with partners and influence decision-makers to maximise our impact.

Learn more about WaterAid at:
www.wateraid.org/au

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From the Chair

The past year has been one of both recognition and renewal.

In celebrating our 10th anniversary we recognised a number of people who have made a substantial contribution to WaterAid over the years. At the Annual General Meeting, Tony Kelly was awarded a life membership of WaterAid. Tony was one of the architects of the organisation and the founding Chairman. His contribution has been outstanding as he led the organisation with visionary passion and sound governance.

At the same AGM we were able to recognise the contribution made by Adam Laidlaw who had been our Chief Executive for seven years and oversaw a ten-fold growth in our service delivery and positioned the organisation as the respected policy advocate that it is today.

During the year we thanked and farewelled three board members who had also made substantial contributions to WaterAid – Tom Mollenkopf, Peter Quinn and Peter Williams. I am pleased to say that Tom is continuing on with us as a member of our Financial and Audit Risk Management Committee.

The year was also one of major renewal. The most significant changes were the appointment of a new Chief Executive, Paul Nichols, and the development of a new global strategy.

Paul is a leading international community development practitioner, having worked with non-government, private sector and government organisations for over 25 years. He has been a senior executive in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and at World Vision.

Paul and his team have made a major contribution to the development of the WaterAid global strategy for 2015 to 2020, which has as its vision that everyone, everywhere in the world will have access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene services by 2030.

WaterAid Australia has a major role to play in achieving this global vision but it will only be possible if we continue to receive support from our donors, partners, supporters and funding bodies. The Board of WaterAid thanks these people and bodies for their generous contributions.

Rob Skinner
Chairman
WaterAid Australia



From the Chief Executive

WaterAid's achievements this past year have been remarkable. Many more people have been reached with safe water, clean toilets and hygiene education in the Asia Pacific and across the world. In my first year as Chief Executive I have been incredibly impressed by the quality of our work and the systems and governance of our organisation, and encouraged by the breadth of support and commitment from our individual and corporate supporters.

An underlying theme of WaterAid's approach and culture is partnership. We value the relationships we have with local community groups in developing countries and work hard to strengthen their own ability to generate funds and manage services. We work closely with local governments and other service providers to share international lessons and technical and social innovations to improve the quality of their work and longer term sustainability. And we work to scale up our impact by collaborating with regional and international organisations to make sure the right to water and sanitation is given top priority in policy and budget allocation by national governments everywhere.

These partnerships culminated in many big achievements in the last year. Highlights include the celebration in Papua New Guinea of the passing of the first national water and sanitation policy by its parliament, and in Australia, the Foreign Minister Julie Bishop marked our 10 year anniversary with an event at Parliament House and cemented water and sanitation as core to Australia's aid program and to achieving development in our region.

Over the course of the year we developed a new global strategy to 2020, building on the lessons of the past five years. This will see us take on the role of change agent to ensure that everyone, everywhere gets access to water, sanitation and hygiene by 2030. We will forge

new partnerships with others to address the underlying causes of poverty and integrate water and sanitation in other sectors such as health, education and natural resource management rather than work in isolation. We will focus on hygiene behaviour change to optimise the health and prosperity benefits from better service provision.

Our vision is challenging and the change process to achieve it is complex. But we are inspired by the knowledge that, as a result of our work and your support, every single child who doesn't die from water borne disease, and every single girl who doesn't drop out of high school because there are no toilets or washing facilities, is a valuable human life on the path from poverty to prosperity.

Paul Nichols
Chief Executive
WaterAid Australia



What we do

WaterAid is an international non-government organisation focused exclusively on improving access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene in developing countries. We work in Africa, Asia, Central America and the Pacific region and campaign globally with our partners to realise our vision of a world where everyone has access to these basic human rights.

Our vision

WaterAid's vision is of a world where everyone, everywhere has safe water, sanitation and hygiene.

Our mission

WaterAid transforms the lives of the poorest and most marginalised people by improving access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene.

Our values

Everything we do is shaped by our six values:

- Accountability
- Innovation
- Collaboration
- Integrity
- Courage
- Respect

Our approach

WaterAid enables the world's poorest people to gain access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene. These basic human rights underpin health, education and livelihoods, forming the first essential step in overcoming poverty.

We work with local partners, who understand local issues, and provide them with the skills and support to help communities set up and manage practical and sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene projects that meet their real needs.

We also influence decision-makers to do more to provide these vital services. We work locally and internationally to change policy and practice and to ensure safe water, sanitation and hygiene's vital role in reducing poverty is recognised.

Delivering services

WaterAid works with local partners to help communities access safe water, sanitation and hygiene, and we use our experience and research to influence decision-makers to do more to provide these vital services.

By working with local partners we're able to invest in the future of communities so that they can continue the good work. This is an essential part of our work as we believe it is the most progressive and sustainable approach.

Our sustainable solutions

We work together with the poorest and most marginalised communities to set up practical and sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene projects that meet their real needs. We only use practical technologies and make sure the right skills exist in communities so they can keep services working long into the future. Hardware, such as taps and toilets, is always backed up by education about good hygiene, making sure that the health benefits of safe water and sanitation are maximised.

Our local partners

We work with local partners such as local non-government organisations, local and national governments and private utility companies to ensure capacity and skills are developed at a local level.

We invest in our local partner organisations to enable them to deliver their project work. We typically provide financial support, training and technical advice as well as help with planning, budgeting and institutional development.



A Hygiene Motivator from WaterAid partner Naroman Timor Foun trains hygiene members of village water and sanitation committees in Liquica, Timor-Leste. Photo: WaterAid/Tom Greenwood

As partners grow stronger, they become less reliant on WaterAid's technical and financial support and can seek funds from other sources. When this happens, we often start working with newer or less well-established partners so the cycle of training and development continues.

Our technologies

We use technologies that are low-cost, appropriate to the local area, and that can be easily maintained by the communities who use them. Water technologies used include gravity-fed schemes, groundwater drilling, hand-dug wells, hand pumps, protected spring sources, rainwater harvesting, subsurface dams and treatment of drinking water.

Sanitation technologies used include simple pit toilets, ventilated improved pit toilets, composting toilets, pour flush toilets and communal toilets with a septic tank.

Our influence

Changing the policies and practices of governments and other powerful institutions is an effective way of reaching millions more people with safe water, sanitation and hygiene. To make change happen on a bigger scale than we at WaterAid can achieve alone, we work to influence people with the power to act and encourage decision-makers to make necessary investments in water, sanitation and hygiene.

Our work in the Pacific

WaterAid started a country program in the Solomon Islands in early 2015 and has been working in Papua New Guinea since 2004.

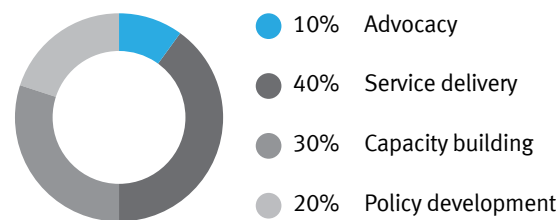
Papua New Guinea

Expenditure: \$1,298,000

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Australian NGO Cooperation Program
- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Civil Society Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Fund
- Corporate and supporter contributions

Focus of our work



Location of projects

WaterAid Papua New Guinea is working in a number of locations across the country including West and East Sepik Province, Eastern, Western and Southern Highlands, Chimbu and the National Capital District.

Local partners

Anglicare, Integrated Rural Development Initiative (IRDI), South Seas Evangelical Church (SSEC), Tenkile Conservation Alliance (TCA), Vision 2010 and SusuMamas.

Reach

 **4,857** people reached with safe water in 2014/15

55,983 people reached with safe water since 2004

 **15,622** people reached with sanitation in 2014/15

71,945 people reached with sanitation since 2004

Key achievements

WaterAid Papua New Guinea was thrilled to have contributed to the passing of the government's first water, sanitation and hygiene policy, through participation in its development with a national task force in collaboration with the Water and Sanitation Program of the World Bank. The leaders of the country have now given domestic political priority to bringing safe water, sanitation and hygiene to more people.

We advocated with district and local level governments to allocate more funding for delivery of water, sanitation and hygiene services in rural areas. We are also developing collaborations with research institutions including universities to build an evidence base around water, sanitation and hygiene in Papua New Guinea.

We worked closely with our local partners to improve the water, sanitation and hygiene experiences of vulnerable groups. We built our partners' skills through training on gender and disability to ensure it is integrated into water, sanitation and hygiene programs. In addition we have provided tools and practical resources to our local partners and the government to develop inclusive approaches.

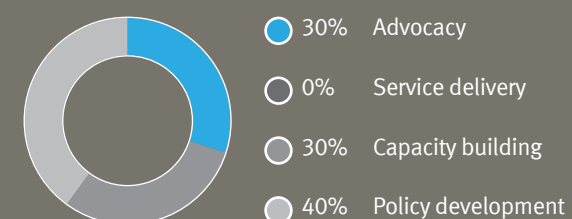
Solomon Islands

Expenditure: \$95,000

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Australian NGO Cooperation Program
- Corporate and supporter contributions

Focus of our work



Location of projects

Honiara

Key achievements

WaterAid has set up a country program in the Solomon Islands and since the beginning of 2015 we have had a Country Representative based in Honiara.

Excellent relationships have been established with water, sanitation and hygiene stakeholders in the Solomon Islands. A work plan with the Environmental Health Division of the Ministry of Health and Medical Services is under development.

A preliminary water, sanitation and hygiene sector analysis has been carried out as a building block for future activities and sector wide coordination of stakeholders.

Our work in South East Asia

A country program was established in Cambodia in 2013 and WaterAid has been working in Timor-Leste since 2005.

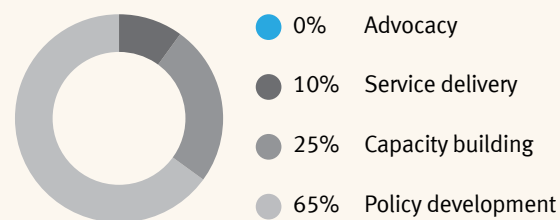
Cambodia

Expenditure: \$361,000

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Australian NGO Cooperation Program
- Grand Challenges Canada
- Corporate and supporter contributions

Focus of our work



Location of projects

WaterAid Cambodia is working in Pursat Province, Kampong Speu Province, Prey Veng Province, Phnom Penh, Battambang and Siem Reap.

Local partners

Wetlands Work!, Disability Development Service Program, World Health Organization, Rainwater Cambodia and Australian Red Cross.

Key achievements

WaterAid Cambodia has set up strong operational and finance systems to attract and manage new funding. A focus on relationship building and supporting the water, sanitation and hygiene sector has led to WaterAid Cambodia joining the government's Technical Working Group on Rural Water, Sanitation and Hygiene.

We have supported government, development partners and NGOs to think about making water, sanitation and hygiene inclusive to all. They're now making changes to their programs to include people with disabilities and older people, including modifications to designs of toilets and collaborating with the disability sector.

We worked with the World Health Organization, the Cambodian Ministry of Health, researchers and NGOs to better understand the water, sanitation and hygiene needs in health care facilities and build momentum to generate sustainable solutions.

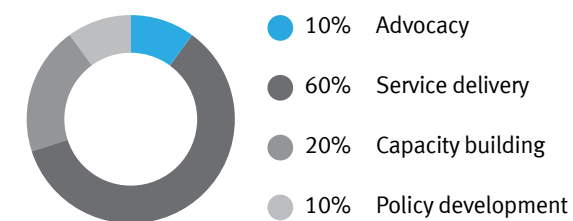
Timor-Leste

Expenditure: \$1,609,000

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Australian NGO Cooperation Program
- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Civil Society Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Fund
- CARE
- The Footprints Network
- RARE Infrastructure
- Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)
- Corporate and supporter contributions

Focus of our work



Location of projects

WaterAid Timor-Leste works in Liquica District, Manufahi District and Dili.

Local partners

Luta Ba Futuru, Malaedoi Foundation, Hafoun Timor Loro'sae, Naroman Timor Foun and Comisaun Justisa e Pas.

Reach



Key achievements

WaterAid Timor-Leste has been working with local governments on sustainability monitoring and with implementers and local NGOs to develop an understanding of changes required to create a sustainable service delivery model. We have started to demonstrate and test cost effective models for sustaining water supplies with rural communities.

We have introduced new ideas and best practices in the areas of gender, equity and social inclusion. We have seen the percentage of women in supported groups as well as the percentage of households reported to support a person with disabilities significantly increase.

Our research and work on how to improve the sustainability of sanitation and the links between sanitation and neglected tropical diseases that impact nutrition has influenced decision-makers. We have been instrumental in bringing influential thought leaders, such as Dr Kamal Kar, to Timor-Leste, to increase the quality of sanitation implementation by the sector and to advocate for the nutrition sector to include sanitation as a key intervention to support good nutrition.



Children in Timor-Leste wash their hands at their village's new water source. Photo: WaterAid/Tom Greenwood

Our work in Africa and South Asia

WaterAid Australia has been supporting water, sanitation and hygiene projects in Africa and South Asia through funding from the Australian government since 2010. In 2014/15 \$2.8 million was spent by WaterAid Australia on these programs.

Ghana

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Australia Africa Community Engagement Scheme

Location of projects

Akropong North, Abelekuna North and Shai Osudoku.

Project types

Urban and rural school and community water, sanitation and hygiene projects.

Reach



Key achievements

WaterAid has continued to support a project that builds on the strengths already present within communities to plan, implement and maintain improvements to facilities and services to increase access to sustainable and equitable water, sanitation and hygiene in rural and urban communities in Ghana. The approach has been welcomed by the communities who are able to take a greater lead in the decision-making, implementation and management of project activities, helping to ensure that facilities are suitable and sustainable.

India

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Clean Delhi Healthy Delhi Project

Location of projects

Urban slum communities of Delhi.

Project types

Urban water, sanitation and hygiene project in slum communities in Delhi.

Reach



Key achievements

Project work in slum communities in Delhi has continued to provide increased access to water, sanitation and hygiene for some of this city's most marginalised residents. The project has supported communities to manage and monitor water, sanitation and hygiene services and providers, and organise themselves as collectives who can demand improved services from the government. WaterAid's approach of empowering people to negotiate with government agencies has helped communities to realise their water, sanitation and hygiene rights and take part in larger governance processes. WaterAid has also supported government capacity to respond to increased demand and improve monitoring services.

Malawi

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Australia Africa Community Engagement Scheme

Location of projects

Mswansambo, Lilongwe.

Project types

Rural and urban community and school water, sanitation and hygiene projects.

Reach



Key achievements

WaterAid has continued the rehabilitation and expansion of piped water systems in rural Malawi alongside the development of community water management groups to improve sustainability. We also worked with schools, delivering access to safe water, toilets and hygiene practices for students.

Mozambique

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Civil Society Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Fund

Location of projects

Quelimane and Cuamba.

Project types

Development of municipal wide plans which address access to urban communities, schools and health centres.

Reach

 **20,000** people reached with safe water in 2014/15

 **n/a** people reached with sanitation in 2014/15

Key achievements

Our work in Mozambique has focused on improving the provision of water, sanitation and hygiene in urban areas. WaterAid is working with municipalities in two small towns to plan, manage and implement equitable and sustainable services to ensure those in underserved communities, schools and health centres don't miss out on improved access to these services. Twenty boreholes have been newly installed or rehabilitated and WaterAid is conducting drilling supervision in collaboration with the government.

Tanzania

Funders

- Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Australia Africa Community Engagement Scheme

Location of projects

Nzega, Iramba, Singida Urban, Bahi and Chamwino.

Project types

School water, sanitation and hygiene projects to improve access, governance and national government standards.

Reach

 **7,430** people reached with safe water in 2014/15

 **196** people reached with sanitation in 2014/15

Key achievements

A school project has resulted in increased water, sanitation and hygiene for pupils and teachers in underserved schools in Tanzania. We have worked with local partners to construct new facilities at schools in five districts in Tanzania and WaterAid has been supporting Tanzania's Ministry of Education in a national program to improve water, sanitation and hygiene in schools. Five per cent of the national budget has been allocated to hygiene and sanitation. This positive outcome is expected to boost government efforts in improving and sustaining sanitation in Tanzania including schools.





Stories from our work

Aljira in her kitchen garden which is abundant thanks to a new waterpoint in her village in Timor-Leste. Photo: WaterAid/Tom Greenwood

A garden creates prosperity

What does water mean to you? For Aljira in Timor-Leste's mountainous Liquica District, it means an abundant kitchen garden and a more prosperous future for her family.

A struggle for water

Aljira's nearest water source used to be a stream which was a 5km walk away. She would have to walk there and back three times a day to collect water for drinking, cooking and washing.

Not only was water scarce, far away and difficult to collect, it was often dirty and polluted from the many communities living upstream of the water source.

Fruit and vegetables lead to education

But once her community, WaterAid and local partner Naroman Timor Foun came together and installed a gravity flow water system and water points in her village, Aljira was able to create a spectacular kitchen garden.

"Because water is nearby I can plant and grow many things. I do not have to walk far to collect water, I can stay at home. I can plant food which needs water."

Aljira grows delicious papaya, tomatoes, pumpkins, bananas, sweet potatoes and much more in her garden. She sells fruit and vegetables at the local market. The income has given her enough money to provide her children with an education.

"Because of water I have this beautiful garden...I love my garden."

Women and communities empowered

Harnessing the commitment of community members is essential to ensuring villages are positively transformed by water, sanitation and hygiene projects. For Roselyn it has been the opportunity to take a leadership role in her community.

A community works together

In Papua New Guinea, WaterAid is currently working in the village of Kusaun with community members and local partner Integrated Rural Development Initiative to install 20 rainwater harvesting tanks. The community has established water, sanitation and hygiene committees, undertaken hygiene education and replaced old pit latrines with new toilets for the village of 400 people including five people living with a disability.

A healthier future created

Roselyn is a member of Kusaun's Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Operations Committee.

"The Operations Committee checks that the community is planting flowers around the water tanks, we also check how systems are working and see what needs maintenance. We organise areas during construction and oversee projects."

Village committees ensure the community is engaged and committed to new water and sanitation facilities and hygiene practices, and the role empowers people like Roselyn in her community.

"As I am on the Operations Committee sometimes I tell people to do things and they are happy to do jobs. Sometimes they say they need to fetch water first and then they do their jobs."

As well as empowering individuals it ensures that the whole community has a healthier future.

"The water will help the children grow strong and healthy. The toilets have made a big difference. Children have no more sickness. No more diarrhoea if they follow the rules of hygiene. We feel happy that the kids aren't sick."



Everyone, everywhere

We want everyone, everywhere to have clean, safe water, sanitation and hygiene. These basic services underpin health, education and livelihoods, and are central to eradicating extreme poverty.

Where we work

WaterAid is made up of member countries in Australia, Canada, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the United States, and has a presence in Japan. The member countries help to coordinate and fund operations across country programs in Africa, Asia, Central America and the Pacific. WaterAid Australia coordinates and funds programs in Cambodia, Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and Timor-Leste and supports programs in Africa and India.

Our strategic aims to reach everyone, everywhere

Equality

We tackle and challenge the inequalities that prevent the poorest and most marginalised people from realising their right to safe water, sanitation and hygiene.

Sustainable services

We support governments and service providers to strengthen the systems and capabilities required to deliver sustainable water, sanitation and hygiene services.

Integration

We work with others to develop plans and activities that accelerate change by integrating water, sanitation and hygiene into sustainable development.

Hygiene

We positively influence hygiene behaviour to maximise the benefits of access to safe water and sanitation.

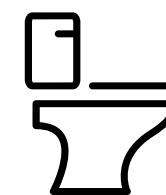
2 million

people reached with safe water in 2014/15



3.1 million

people reached with sanitation in 2014/15



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| 1 Canada | 20 South Africa |
| 2 USA | 21 Ethiopia |
| 3 Nicaragua | 22 Tanzania |
| 4 UK | 23 Uganda |
| 5 Sweden | 24 Kenya |
| 6 Burkina Faso | 25 Rwanda |
| 7 Ghana | 26 Pakistan |
| 8 Mali | 27 Nepal |
| 9 Nigeria | 28 India |
| 10 Liberia | 29 Bangladesh |
| 11 Niger | 30 Myanmar |
| 12 Sierra Leone | 31 Laos |
| 13 Senegal | 32 Cambodia |
| 14 Madagascar | 33 Japan |
| 15 Malawi | 34 Timor-Leste |
| 16 Mozambique | 35 Papua New Guinea |
| 17 Zambia | 36 Australia |
| 18 Lesotho | 37 Solomon Islands |
| 19 Swaziland | |

People reached so far



23 million

people reached with safe water since 1981



21 million

people reached with sanitation since 2004

Still to do



650 million people worldwide don't have access to safe water, one in ten of the world's population



2.3 billion people worldwide don't have access to adequate sanitation, one in three of the world's population



Over 500,000 children die every year from diarrhoea caused by unsafe water and poor sanitation, over 1,400 children a day

Influencing others

The issue at the forefront of WaterAid's global advocacy agenda has been the shape and content of the UN's new global Sustainable Development Goals, to be agreed upon by all countries of the world in September 2015. Our ambition is to ensure the blueprint for sustainable development for the next 15 years includes a dedicated goal on water and sanitation.



Australian Foreign Minister Julie Bishop with WaterAid Papua New Guinea's Health Advocacy Advisor Norma Sagom at the parliamentary event in Canberra. Photo: WaterAid/idphoto.com.au

Our efforts at promoting greater Australian and regional buy-in to our water and sanitation goal agenda reached a highpoint in March 2015. For the first time since the launch of WaterAid some 10 years earlier, WaterAid shared the main stage with the Foreign Minister of Australia. On 25 March 2015, WaterAid hosted an event at Parliament House in Canberra to highlight the critical links between water, sanitation and hygiene and the advancement of women and girls.

The event had a number of policy change objectives: to ensure Australia and our regional partners take a leadership role in arguing for a dedicated goal on water, sanitation and hygiene in Sustainable Development Goal negotiations and to ensure federal government spending on water, sanitation and hygiene is maintained at levels that reflect its importance to broader aid initiatives.

With those objectives in mind, we were delighted to secure Australia's Foreign Minister as our keynote speaker for the event. Foreign dignitaries, corporate partners, sector partners and government officials attended, as well as

MPs from all sides of politics. In addition to the Foreign Minister, we also secured speaking roles for Catarina de Albuquerque, the first United Nations Special Rapporteur for the human right to water and sanitation, and for our own Norma Sagom, WaterAid Papua New Guinea's Health Advocacy Advisor.

The outcome was more than we could have hoped for. The Foreign Minister's speech placed water, sanitation and hygiene at the heart of Australia's aid and development agenda, noting, "Clean water and safe sanitation underpin almost everything else we are trying to achieve".

This event played a constructive role in highlighting the importance of water, sanitation and hygiene to decision-makers in Australia and across the region. The event was only one part of our broader engagement strategy to persuade decision-makers and opinion-leaders in Australia, our region, and across the world of the scale of the global water, sanitation and hygiene crisis, and of the part that we can all play in bringing these fundamental human rights to everyone, everywhere, by 2030.

Balls go way beyond a fun night

Every year teams of dedicated volunteers on WaterAid committees around Australia support WaterAid by organising fundraising events such as gala balls, sports days and quiz nights. These events make a substantial contribution to WaterAid's fundraising efforts and raise awareness of our work, and are only possible due to the extraordinary commitment of our tireless volunteers.

In March 2015 our longest running ball, the Victorian WaterAid Ball celebrated its 10th anniversary and raised a spectacular \$265,000 for WaterAid.

The event was put together by a committee of volunteers, predominantly from Yarra Valley

Water, South East Water and Melbourne Water, by people like Ciara Sterling, Manager – WaterCare at Yarra Valley Water, who has been a volunteer on the WaterAid Victorian Ball Committee since its inception.

Here she tells us a little about the experience:

"Being part of this Committee is much more than attending meetings and making decisions; we have built great friendships and we have all become such passionate supporters of WaterAid and the work they do. I was lucky enough to go to Timor-Leste with WaterAid and see firsthand the amazing work they are doing to change lives.

"The Victorian WaterAid Ball Committee is a great team of people who each bring valuable ideas and strengths to the table in order to make the Ball happen. It's been 10 amazing years working with wonderful people and we are all so proud of what we have been able to achieve."

Victorian WaterAid Ball Committee members Lou De Lia, Belinda Goodwin, Ciara Sterling, Brett Mathieson and Ian Johnson at the 10th Victorian WaterAid Ball.



WaterAid partners with netballers

WaterAid began a partnership with the Melbourne Vixens and Netball Victoria in late 2014 because we all care about young women's leadership,

empowerment and involvement in society and having access to clean, safe water, sanitation and hygiene is fundamental to the health and wellbeing of young women around the world. The partnership aims to empower and involve young women in Papua New Guinea in addressing their communities' needs for safe water, sanitation and hygiene.



Melbourne Vixens Kate Moloney and Liz Watson. Photo: Rom Anthonis

Our corporate partners

WaterAid enjoys tremendous support from the corporate sector across Australia. In 2014/2015 our corporate partners contributed \$1,388,590 to our work in Timor-Leste, Papua New Guinea, Cambodia and the Solomon Islands.

Membership

The support from our corporate partners through membership provides vital funds for WaterAid and enables members to engage with and contribute to important global issues.

Platinum



Gold



Silver



Bronze



Standard

Central Highlands Water	North East Water	Sydney Water
Coliban Water	Power and Water Corporation	Unitywater
GHD	RM Consulting Group	Unlimited Water
Gippsland Water	Seqwater	Veolia Water
Gosford City Council	Shoalhaven City Council	Victorian Water Association
GWM Water	South East Water	Wannon Water
KBR	South Gippsland Water	Water Directorate
Melbourne Water	Southern Rural Water	Water Research Australia
MWH Global	Sydney Desalination Plant	Western Water

Major corporate partners

Our major corporate partners provide significant funding for entire communities.



Cause-related marketing

Everyone can support WaterAid by buying toilet paper online from our charity partner Who Gives A Crap who donates 50% of profits to WaterAid.



Water bill inserts

Thank you to the following companies who generously included a WaterAid insert in their postal bills which helped us raise funds from the community and promote our work to over 2.5 million households around Australia:

Gippsland Water	Sydney Water
Gosford City Council	Western Water
MidCoast Water	Yarra Valley Water

Volunteer fundraising committees

WaterAid is extremely fortunate to have volunteer fundraising committees in each state dedicated to holding special events such as gala balls, golf days, trivia nights and sports events - all raising vital funds for WaterAid's work. This year the teams raised over \$753,000; a tremendous result!

Event sponsorship

Critical to the fundraising committees' successful events is attracting event sponsors. WaterAid wishes to thank all the events' sponsors, particularly the major sponsors:



Payroll giving

This year, WaterAid launched a new payroll giving program to support our vital work in Cambodia. We are extremely grateful to all those employees who make a personal sacrifice from their own pay. The companies promoting our payroll giving are:

BHP Billiton
CAF Australia
CSIRO
Department of Water, Western Australia
Hunter Water Corporation
KBR
Kimberly-Clark Australia
Macquarie Group Foundation
Melbourne Water
Queensland Urban Utilities
SA Water
Seqwater
South Gippsland Water
UBS Foundation
Veolia Water
Wannon Water
Water Corporation
Water NSW
Western Water
Westpac Banking Corporation
Yarra Valley Water

A number of our corporate partners also offer matched giving, doubling the employee's contribution, including BHP Billiton, KBR and Veolia Water.

Our supporters

Thank you to all our supporters who contributed to WaterAid in a number of different ways last year. Your generous support is greatly appreciated and instrumental in improving people's lives.

Major donors

A huge thank you to every single one of you who helps us to transform lives. These are just some of the individuals who made exceptional contributions over the past year:

Fiona Barker	Will Main
Andrew Beal	Janet Pearson
Phyllis Breen	Rob Skinner
Scott Gordon	Alexander Stewart
Greg Helm	Stephanie Tonkin
Robert Kemp	Noel and Carol Williams
Brett Ledger	Lesley Wright
Tim Linton	

Bequests

Thank you to our generous supporters who have chosen to leave a gift in their will to WaterAid. By leaving a gift in their will, they will be playing an instrumental role in helping us achieve our vision.

WaterAid gratefully received bequests from the estates of the following supporters:

Jill Jameson	Geoffrey Scharer
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Individual fundraising

Individual fundraising continued to grow, in particular through regular giving where the program saw a 16% increase in income in the past year. These ongoing commitments to WaterAid's work allowed us to fund even more sustainable long term projects.

Cash donations received a boost in July 2014 thanks to the end of financial year appeal 'Invest in a Brighter Future' which went on to win a Fundraising Institute of Australia Award for Excellence in the donor renewal category.

Community fundraising

Thank you to all members of the community who got together over the past year to undertake a variety of fundraising activities including birthdays, fun runs, bake sales and casual dress days in support of WaterAid.

In November 2014, we introduced our first ever World Toilet Day fundraising event. A special thank you to Susan Farr and her AECOM team for raising over \$6,000, and to all the plumbers, schools and our corporate partners who became Sanitation Superheroes for the day to raise money for safe toilets.

In March 2015, 500 people joined us for our annual Walk 4 Water. Thank you to our highest fundraising team for the third consecutive year, Sydney Water, who had over 50 staff walk and raise over \$12,000 for clean water.

Seventeen schools held a variety of educational and fundraising activities raising more than \$12,000.

Thank you to Kelly Sheldrick, who rode a bike from France to China, Bernie Hobbs who dedicated her 50th birthday to WaterAid, nine year old Michael from Queensland who swapped candy canes for donations, and the 80 grade two students from Toorak Primary School who carried water jugs to raise over \$3,000.

Institutional partners

Thank you for the funding we received from the following institutional partners:

Australian Government, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	Institute for Sustainable Futures, University of Technology, Sydney
Australian Red Cross	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)
Burnet Institute	
CARE	
Grand Challenges Canada	UNICEF

Trusts and Foundations

Thank you to the following trusts and foundations for their support in the past year:

The Footprints Network	Knox Foundation
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WaterAid life members

Grant Hill	Tony Kelly
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10,000km ride from France to China

Perth-based WaterAid supporter Kelly Sheldrick completed an epic six month 10,000 kilometre bicycle journey from France to China last year, in a personal challenge to raise awareness and funds for WaterAid.

Kelly Sheldrick on her ride from France to China in support of WaterAid.
Photo: Michael Cowgill

Kelly was inspired to support WaterAid after learning about the dangers and risks that women and girls in developing countries face every day doing basic tasks like collecting water, washing and going to the toilet.

"I read a lot of articles about issues related to the dangers, such as rape and assault, some women in developing countries risk when doing, what I consider to be, everyday tasks, such as washing and going to the toilet," said Kelly.

Kelly Sheldrick raised a spectacular \$3,220 for WaterAid, as well as completing the gruelling ride.

"Raising enough money to help save just a couple of girls from the dangers of going to the toilet in the open, makes all the pain, stress and hard work endured during the bicycle trip worth it," said Kelly.

Walk 4 Water

Eric Musoni has experienced more challenging circumstances in his young life than most would experience in a lifetime. Born in Rwanda, he witnessed firsthand the impact poor access to water had on the health and education of schoolmates.

"During my childhood in Rwanda, I saw many kids failing to complete their studies because they had to fetch water from a far distance and could not attend class. In some cases, kids were as little as five years' old and carrying four to five litres of water," Eric said.

The 25 year old International Relations Masters student at Melbourne University walked 10,000 steps a day, as part of WaterAid's Walk 4 Water event in March and urged others to get involved.

"Not having access to clean water meant that many kids sustained injuries on their way to drawing water and many developed health problems including diarrhoea and cholera. The sad reality was that many children died from preventable and treatable diseases, because there were no adequate health care facilities.

"WaterAid is dedicated to helping developing countries meet their Millennium Development Goals, through the provision of access to clean water, hygiene and sanitation to those that are less privileged. This is a cause that is very important to me, as I believe everyone should have the opportunity to grow into a healthy adult," Eric said.

Walk 4 Water participant Eric Musoni shows the stark difference between clean and dirty water.

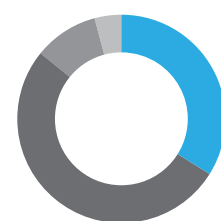
Directors' report

WaterAid Australia Directors present this report on WaterAid Australia Limited for the 12 month period ended 31 March 2015.

Financial overview: April 2014 - March 2015

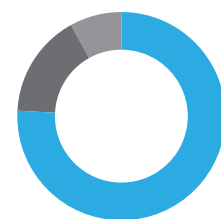
Where did the money come from in 2014/15?

WaterAid continues to increase its support from the Australian community as is shown by our increase in fundraising of \$300k. We received \$3.6m from our generous supporters during the year or 34% of our total income. We will continue to invest in this area so that we can do even more great work. WaterAid continued to receive significant support from the Australian government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade which comprised 52% of total income. WaterAid also received support from other WaterAid members of the global WaterAid Federation of \$1.1m or 10% of total income. 4% was received from other grants and sundry income.



Income \$10.6 million

- 34% Fundraising
- 52% DFAT grants
- 10% Other WaterAid member funds
- 4% Other grants and income

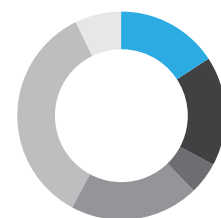


Expenses \$10.5 million

- 76% Our work (International programs 71%, Community education 5%)
- 16% Fundraising costs
- 8% Accountability and administration

Where did the money go in 2014/15?

Our total expenditure for the year was \$10.5m. Of this amount, we spent 76% of our funding on our programs which include both our international programs and community education. We spent 16% on raising funds from the public. Accountability and administration comprised 8% of our total expenditure and enabled us to maintain our commitment to the Australian public of being a transparent and accountable organisation.



Programs expenditure \$8 million

- 16% Program support
- 17% PNG and Pacific
- 5% South East Asia
- 20% Timor-Leste
- 35% Africa
- 7% Community education

Board of Directors

Rob Skinner, Chair. Rob is Director of the Monash Water for Liveability Centre in Melbourne. Rob has extensive experience in organisational leadership, including six years as Managing Director of Melbourne Water and 10 years as CEO of Kingston Council in Victoria.

John Ringham, Deputy Chair. John is Chief Executive of SA Water, where he is responsible for water supply and wastewater treatment services, asset management and capital works delivery to over 1.5 million people.

Rhonda Chapman is an international development consultant with over 25 years' experience working in a variety of roles providing support on program management and community development to aid organisations in Australia and overseas.

Jane Ellis is the Principal of Assertia Pty Ltd, a company that works with business toward strengthening corporate cultures and compliance.

Catherine Ferrari is General Manager Customer and Community Group at Water Corporation. Catherine has extensive experience in the strategic positioning of organisations with key strengths in the engagement of stakeholders and the community.

Ann Lund is an independent development consultant with significant international and not-for-profit board experience, most recently in Cambodia.

Tom Mollenkopf is an independent advisor on governance, policy and strategy. He was the Chief Executive of the Australian Water Association until June 2013 and has a background in law, both in private practice and then as corporate counsel.

Ian Payne is Project Director, Systems Branch, Transport Projects Division, Transport for NSW. Prior to this he was General Manager of Infrastructure Delivery at Sydney Water. He was previously Project Director for Sydney's Desalination Plant.

Peter Quinn was appointed as Managing Director of Goulburn Valley Water in 2008. He has extensive experience and an Executive MBA from the Australian Graduate School of Management.

Wendy Rose AM is an international development consultant. Wendy has over 35 years' experience and is a senior member of the international aid community, representing Australia on various national and world bodies for many years.

Mark Stewart is Head of Fundraising, The Children's Hospital at Westmead, Sydney, and has extensive experience within the national and international NGO environment, having held roles across marketing, fundraising and organisational development.

Penny Underwood is Director of MediaWise and an experienced public relations and communications strategist who has developed her skills over 20 years in both Australia and the United Kingdom.

Peter Williams is a water industry consultant and has over 25 years' senior executive experience providing services predominantly to the water industry. Peter is a member of the Australian Water Association.

Meetings of Directors

Directors	Directors' meetings	
	Eligible to attend	Attended
Robert Skinner	4	4
John Ringham	4	4
Rhonda Chapman	4	4
Jane Ellis	4	4
Catherine Ferrari	4	4
Ann Lund	3	3
Tom Mollenkopf	1	1
Ian Payne	4	4
Peter Quinn	1	1
Wendy Rose AM	4	4
Mark Stewart	3	3
Penny Underwood	3	3
Peter Williams	1	1

Summary financial report

WaterAid's full financial statements are available at: www.wateraid.org/au

These summary financial reports have been prepared in accordance with the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct. For further information on the Code please refer to the ACFID Code of Conduct Implementation Guidance available at: www.acfid.asn.au

Income statement for the year ended 31 March 2015

REVENUE	31/03/15	31/03/14
	\$'000	\$'000
Donations and gifts - monetary	3,280	3,261
Bequest and legacies	287	-
Grants		
DFAT	5,561	5,575
Other WaterAid members	1,070	800
Other Australian	328	275
Other overseas	11	-
Investment income	28	25
Other income	22	31
TOTAL REVENUE	10,587	9,967
EXPENDITURE		
International aid and development programs expenditure		
International programs		
Funds to international programs	6,255	6,419
Program support costs	1,204	789
Community education	525	532
Fundraising costs		
Public	1,692	1,254
Government, Multilateral and Private	14	
Accountability and administration	794	816
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	10,484	9,810
EXCESS/SHORTFALL OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	103	157

During the year, WaterAid Australia had no transactions in the following categories: political or religious adherence promotion programs, international political or religious proselytisation programs expenditure or domestic programs. Also, WaterAid Australia does not bring to account any non-monetary revenue or expenditure.

Table of cash movements

	Cash available at beginning of the financial year	Cash raised during the financial year	Cash disbursed during the year	Cash available at the end of year
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance as at 1 April 2014	4,587	-	-	4,587
Non-designated purposes	-	3,449	(3,486)	(37)
DFAT Grant AACES	(108)	1,620	(2,062)	(550)
DFAT CS Wash	806	3,210	(2,588)	1,428
DFAT ANCP	(3)	924	(830)	91
DFAT Clean Dehli	-	-	(9)	(9)
DFAT CS Wash Innovations Fund	-	51	(2)	49
DFAT Newah	(874)	-	(60)	(934)
Care Climate Project Timor	-	325	(275)	50
WaterAid UK Grant	-	804	(800)	4
Other Grants	(1,236)	521	(377)	(1,092)
	3,172	10,904	(10,489)	3,587

Statement of financial position as at 31 March 2015

ASSETS	31/03/15	31/03/14
Current assets	\$'000	\$'000
Cash and cash equivalents	3,587	3,172
Trade and other receivables	399	594
Other financial assets	76	76
Other assets	52	66
Total current assets	4,114	3,908
Non current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	202	136
Intangible assets	54	65
Total non current assets	256	201
TOTAL ASSETS	4,370	4,109
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	158	248
Provisions	161	131
Other financial liabilities	2,187	2,048
Total current liabilities	2,506	2,427
Non-current liabilities		
Provisions	43	36
Total non-current liabilities	43	36
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,549	2,463
NET ASSETS	1,821	1,646
EQUITY		
Retained earnings	1,821	1,646
TOTAL EQUITY	1,821	1,646

At the end of the year, WaterAid had no balances in the following categories: inventories, assets held for sale, non-current trade and other receivables, non-current other financial assets, investment property, other non-current assets, borrowings, other financial liabilities, non-current borrowing and reserves.

Statement of changes in equity

2015	Retained earnings	Controlled entities reserve	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance as at 1 April 2014	1,645		1,645
Excess/(Shortfall) of revenue over expenses	104		104
Transfers of net assets on consolidation		72	72
Other comprehensive income	(246)	246	-
Balance as at 31 March 2015	1,503	318	1,821
2014	Retained earnings	Controlled entities reserve	Total
Balance as at 1 April 2013	1,487		1,487
Excess/(Shortfall) of revenue over expenses	158		158
Balance as at 31 March 2014	1,645	-	1,645

Directors' declaration

The Directors have determined that the company is a reporting entity and have prepared general purpose financial reports in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations), the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the accounting policies described in note 1 to the financial statements.

The Directors of the Group declare that:

- The financial statements and notes for the year ended 31 March 2015 are in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Act 2012* and:
 - comply with Accounting Standards, which, as stated in accounting policy note 1 to the financial statements, constitutes explicit and unreserved compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS); and
 - give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the company;

- In the Directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Director 

Director 

Dated this 26th

day of June 2015

Report of the Independent Auditor on the Summary Financial Statements to the Members of WaterAid Australia Ltd and Controlled Entities

ABN 99 700 687 141

The accompanying summary financial statements, which comprises the summary Statement of Financial Position as at 31 March 2015, the summary Income Statement, summary Statement of Changes in Equity for the year then ended, and the summary Table of Cash Movements are derived from the audited financial report of WaterAid Australia Ltd and Controlled Entities for the year ended 31 March 2015. We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on that financial report in our report dated 26 June 2015. That financial report, and the summary financial statements, do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on that financial report.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Australian Accounting Standards and the Australian Charities and not-for-profits Commission Act. Reading the summary financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial report of WaterAid Australia Ltd and Controlled Entities.

Management's Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial report, in accordance with the financial report.

Auditor's 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 Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

Opinion

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial report of WaterAid Australia Ltd and Controlled Entities for the year ended 31 March 2015 are consistent, in all material respects, with that audited financial report.

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Chartered Accountants

Peter Shields

Partner: Peter Shields
Date: 26 June 2015
Blackburn, Victoria 3130

Accountability and accreditation

WaterAid Australia places accountability at the forefront of our work and upholds the highest standard of practice. We are an active member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID), making us a signatory to their Code of Conduct, which prescribes the highest standards of development practice. Information about how to make a complaint on breach of conduct can be found at:
www.acfid.asn.au



WaterAid Australia is fully accredited by the Australian government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. This status represents the Australian government's confidence in our organisational effectiveness, governance and development programs. We also have a demonstrated commitment to the Fundraising Institute of Australia's Principles and Standards of Fundraising Practice.

We adhere to the ASX Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations and ISO31000 Risk Management Practice, and we undergo both internal audits by WaterAid International and an annual external audit.

People in local communities are at the centre of our work and WaterAid Australia has an organisational Code of Conduct, Ethical Guidelines and a strong commitment to child protection to ensure the best interests of our local partners and community members are always our priority.

Feedback and complaints

We value your feedback and address any complaints promptly. If you would like to provide us with feedback or would like to lodge a complaint please contact us and your message will be directed to the appropriate staff for action and resolution.

You can contact us in the following ways:

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