



2018/19
ANNUAL REPORT





Dear Friend,

As I look back over the 2018/19 financial year a lot has happened at World Hope International. We won our first AusAid grant as recipients of the inaugural Friendship Grant, which empowered 60 women in Cambodia through our Mushroom House project. We improved education opportunities in Ukraine, Cambodia and Australia through feeding and caring for vulnerable children and teens. We trained 72 Village Birth Attendants in remote Papua New Guinea as well as provided clean water during natural disasters in The Philippines, Indonesia and Mozambique.

Our WHI Alliance partnership has enabled us to provide quality programme delivery with technical experts in 4 focus areas; Health, Environment, Human Capital and Economic Development. This enables us to achieve our goal to use market-based, community-driven enterprise solutions to empower, protect, & build resiliency.

All this could not be done without your partnership and I am very grateful to be providing Opportunity, Dignity and Hope alongside you to alleviate poverty, suffering and injustice around the world.

With Appreciation,

Ruth Thomas
CEO





OUR WORK

Our market-based, community driven enterprise solutions inspire hope around the world precisely because they are empowering, protecting, and building resiliency in and among vulnerable populations. When solutions like these are in place, a future not only becomes imaginable; it becomes possible--and that inspires a powerful hope

PROJECTS WE SUPPORT

Enable the Children

Sierra Leone

A multi-faceted project that provides home-based therapy for children living with disabilities, promotes an understanding of disability issues within local communities & family units, and mobilises support for people living with disability – a vulnerable group that actually consists of one billion people worldwide, or 15% of the world's population, according to the World Bank

Mothers & Babies

Papua New Guinea

Improving maternal health to decrease infant mortality in the Hela and Southern Highlands Provinces of PNG and provide safe delivery and aftercare of mothers and babies

Project Konsai

Cambodia

Improving access to quality basic education for Bunong ethnic children, “Konsae”, living along the Wildlife Conservation Area in Mondulkiri, Cambodia and strengthening the capacity and engagement of ICC/Women's Group and School Support Committee in improving the school performance

Mushroom Cultivation

Cambodia

Meaning “Compassionate Earth,” Thera Metrey is a local Cambodian cooperative enterprise for collective sorting, processing and delivery of mushrooms and other cash crops produced by farmer households. Through Thera Metrey, WHI connects farmers to markets at competitive prices, ensuring production leads to income

Hope House

Ukraine

Young Ukrainian women who were once abused, abandoned, or orphaned are now able to complete their education and become change-makers in their community

Emergency Relief

Worldwide

Acting fast before, during, and after an emergency and collaborating creatively with diverse partners has meant we can assist the vulnerable when some of the greatest disasters strike





- **12** community leaders participated in preventing gender-based violence training in Cambodia
- **3** girls have received care at Hope House in Ukraine and are accessing education and life skills programmes
- **3** girls have graduated Hope House and are now supporting themselves in Ukraine
- **8** core schoolgirls and **10** core women in groups have successfully completed the “Keeping Children Safe” training in Cambodia
- **1** focus group for Youth and Gender Analysis, with **8** girls and **9** boys, was completed, looking at the issues faced by youth that affect their pursuit of education and aspiration achievement in Cambodia



- **200+** visits performed to children living with disabilities at home or school for goal-based behavioral therapy & counselling; **341** home visits were performed, and **39** pieces of equipment were provided to help children improve their functional ability
- **12** Student Dentists led by a professional medical team provided free services to Indigenous students, youth, and adults coming from **7** villages in Cambodia, treating **148** people with dental problems
- **24** Village Birth Attendants were trained in **12** villages in the Woposali area of Southern Highlands PNG
- **25** Community Health Volunteers were trained to provide basic healthcare within the village community in Woposali, PNG
- **7** therapy staff, **2** Family Support Workers, and **2** Pastoral Support workers were trained to support and manage children with disabilities effectively and **39** clinics were completed, admitting **141** children with disabilities in Sierra Leone



- Access to safe water was provided for **97** Bunong households in Cambodia
- The number of mushroom producers with toilets increased from **44** to **74** in Cambodia
- **48** wells have been installed in the Kampong Chan community of Cambodia to provide households with access to clean water
- Sanitation facilities were improved/renovated and clean water pipes were established for **2** schools, benefitting **101** Children in Mondulkiri, Cambodia

- Supplied drip water filters for churches and mosques following Tsunami Palu in Indonesia
- Responded to the destruction on Luzon island in the Philippines with relief supplies often carried by foot by coordinated volunteers to hard-to-reach communities flattened by the typhoon and subsequent flooding
- Provided aid to Townsville, Australia, following the devastating floods
- Distributed **550** water filters with a **3** litre capacity each across **6-8** communities in Mozambique following Cyclone Idai and conducted a series of trainings on how to use the systems



- **101** students received daily nutritious breakfasts, reducing financial burden on parents in Cambodia and **94** students (**59** girls & **35** boys) attended the awareness raising on the importance of Wildlife and Conservation
- **217** students participated in education programs including tutoring and community programs in Bosnia & Herzegovina and **38** received tailored tutoring or speech therapy sessions
- **24%** increase in school enrollment in Mondulkiri, Cambodia, with **51** boys and **50** girls



- **24** new Mushroom Grow Houses were built as increased existing farmers added capacity in Cambodia
- The number of women smallholders producing mushrooms increased from **98** households in **5** villages to **116** households in **13** villages in Kampong Cham, Cambodia
- Producers have earned **\$202,054** AUD selling just over **50** tons of mushrooms in Cambodia through Thera Metrey
- **6** monthly producer meetings and **2** technical trainings for new producers were supported by ongoing mentoring in Cambodia through the Thera Metrey programme



Meet CC-Mean, a woman in Cambodia who decided to invest in mushrooms through our Sister Community Development Program, better known as our Thera Metrey Mushroom Cultivation project. This is her story...

“I got married when I was 19. Since we got married, our income came from rice farming. During the break time from farming my husband use to leave the house to do cutting woods in the forest in another province far from home. He stayed in that province for about a month or so then would come back home for few days then he would leave us again to cut the forest.”

“There was a time when my husband was cheated by the employer and he came home without any money



received as payment for his forest work. He also felt unsafe in that situation because his work was illegal. When my husband was not around it was so difficult for me some time, I felt afraid and unsafe alone with our children. I have three sons and one daughter. Youngest son is 16, study in grade 10.”

“When my husband was away from home, I felt so worried. I was afraid of his safety or that he might get sick of malaria due to cutting down trees.”

“I started my first mushroom house in January 2017. I decided to invest in growing mushroom. It was just like taking a big step for my family. Our family was so worried we might end up losing our money if mushroom production is not good. However, my mushroom production has been running well since we had our first harvest. I started my second mushroom house in mid-2018. Now I have two mushroom houses.”

“Growing mushrooms can earn fast money. Our family can rely on this income to pay for our loan. My husband

“I have seen that my community has changed a lot, people in my village can have better family livelihood, even non-mushroom grower can also earn money from selling raw materials.”





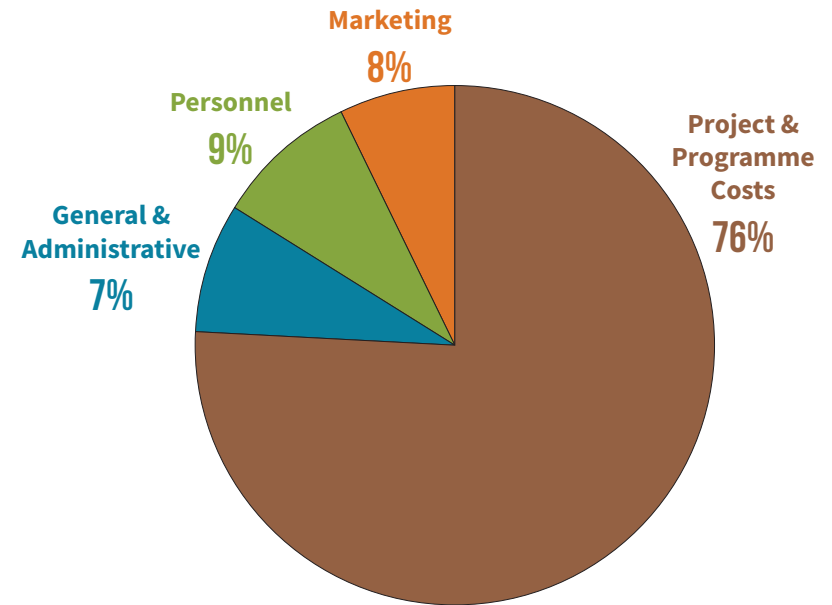
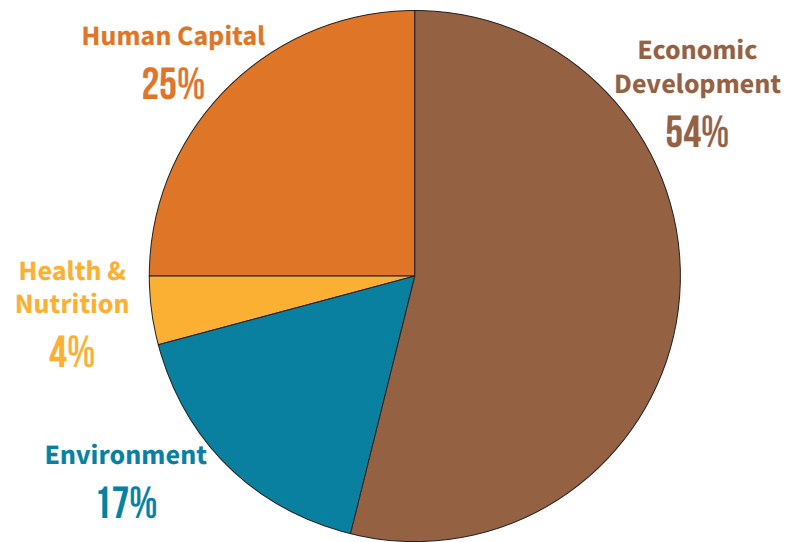
has stopped going to work in the forest outside our village. The money we earned from mushroom, we have used to buy more land for rice farming. We also have paid for the cost of drilling our own well so we have water at home and for our mushroom. I paid for our house renovation, paid for my son's educational expenses, and all our daily expenses are covered by our sales from mushroom. Our plan is to keep extending more mushroom houses.

"We are happier now than before because my whole family can live together, my husband can work at home and no need to go to the forest."

"Through this mushroom trade, I have seen that my community has changed a lot, people in my village can have better family livelihood, even non-mushroom grower can also earn money from selling raw materials. There are now more shops and small businesses in my village because people here can afford to buy more things or goods or foodstuff for their families."

"People in our area have recently started to come back home from other provinces because they can now have work in our community and can earn money while being at their homes."

"My biggest hope on this mushroom growing is having a market to sell and I can have reliable and regular income."



REVENUES TOTAL (AUD)

Donations	\$198,056
Donations of goods	\$24,135
Federal grants	\$54,000
Other revenues	\$344
Total revenues	\$276,353

EXPENSES TOTAL (AUD)

Project and program costs	\$203,616
General & Administrative	\$18,474
Personnel	\$23,050
Marketing	\$22,909
Total expenses	\$268,048

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Mrs Ruth Thomas, CEO

“I highly value the education for my children. My children should be raised with knowledge and skills in a professional manner. In my generation, there was no school and my parents always asked me to go for farming.”

~N. Dep, Cambodia



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