



# ADRA New Zealand – *Our Story*

Annual Report 2013





## Mission

ADRA New Zealand works with people in poverty and distress to create just and positive change through empowering partnership and responsible action

## Vision

ADRA New Zealand is a professional, learning and efficient network that embodies integrity and transparency. ADRA New Zealand reaches across boundaries empowering and speaking out for the at-risk and forgotten to achieve measurable, documented and durable changes in lives and society

## Our Story

For more than 19 years we have been changing lives around the world. By empowering and equipping those in need with the skills and confidence they need to establish and rebuild livelihoods we are growing hope across 10 of the world's poorest countries, and with those facing poverty and crisis here in New Zealand. As a Christian aid and humanitarian agency, we believe our work with communities and individuals in need is a natural expression of our faith, and a continuation of Christ's ministry of compassion.

By empowering communities with the skills, knowledge and opportunities they need, ADRA New Zealand is restoring hope and dignity to hundreds of thousands across the globe.



## Executive Statement

Quantifying change is more art than science. Sure, there are measurables attached to key performance indicators, which are guided by outcomes as directed by overarching strategies. But when you're dealing with people's lives this seems a little clinical.

On closer examination of the work of our agency it becomes clear that statistics cannot capture the whole picture. It is only in the intertwining narratives of our staff, the strategic development of the agency and the changed lives of our beneficiaries that the real picture becomes evident.

It's a view held strongly by each member of our Board of Directors; but it is incredibly satisfying to hear similar sentiments from visitors to our office. More often than not, they express their confidence in our projects and financial management. But the most common insight is that there is something 'difficult to pin down' about the agency. Perhaps what they sense is the air of purpose, the confidence of faith and the blessings of time, talent and tenacity that permeates our office?

This year has seen many developments across the agency. Our International Programme has continued to grow as we've established two new community development projects in Vanuatu and a new project in Fiji. But aside from growing existing country programmes we've also extended our work into the Philippines where we've established a livelihoods project working with rural communities. But our growth isn't just programmatic but also structural. As a reflection of our growing work two new desk officers have been appointed to support the work of International Programme.

In New Zealand our National Programme has also enjoyed strong growth. Within the space of 12 months our programme has increased from 22 projects to 40 projects, spanning from Kaitiaki in the top of the North to Invercargill in the bottom of the South. These projects range from youth development initiatives to programmes designed at strengthening families and communities.

Finally while our development work continues to grow and strengthen the same can be said about Emergency management. This last year ADRA has increased its focus on disaster risk reduction (DRR), taking the lead in a DRR project in consortia with six other NZ based agencies, targeting the disaster prone nations of Vanuatu, Tonga and Fiji. This project trains communities, agencies and government authorities on methodologies and procedures involved in responding to a disaster situation.

With the progress of the last 12 months – the future for ADRA New Zealand is looking good. But more than that, the future of those we work with, and for, is looking bright. This Annual Report, as much as is possible with ink and paper, attempts to capture what is merely a few snapshots of our agency. This is our story. Thank you for being part of it.



Matthew Siliga  
Chief Executive Officer



Jerry Matthews  
Board Chairman

thank you – danke – xixie – vinaka vaka levu – mahalo shukriya – terima kasih



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## Our Work

Everyday ADRA New Zealand works to empower communities and change lives across New Zealand and around the world.

We do this because we believe everyone, no matter who they are, what they do or where they're from deserves the opportunity to live a fulfilling and meaningful life. And, as Christians, it's what we've been called to do.

Empowering entire communities to be involved and a part of their own community development allows them to develop a sense of ownership over their new livelihoods and futures. We believe working at the community level is a cost effective, sustainable and powerful way to break the poverty cycle and see entire generations lifted out of poverty.

Our work covers two broad areas; community development and emergency management

Community development is a process of social and economic change whereby people are empowered to take care of themselves, their family and community. The basis of community development is simply expressed in the well known statement: "Give a man a fish, and you feed him for a day; teach him how to fish, and you feed him for a lifetime."

Emergency Management includes short-term assistance given to relieve immediate emergency needs. This includes projects such as shelter, clothing, food and medical treatment. Disaster relief activities often transitions from this 'handout' mode to community development to avoid the creation of dependency and to enable long-term sustainability. ADRA also works to mitigate the effects of a crisis by developing regional strategies for effective disaster response. We respond to disasters in New Zealand and overseas, while also supporting responses across the ADRA network.

## Where We Work

The ADRA network has a presence in more than 120 countries across the globe. We partner with ADRA offices in 11 of these countries across Asia and the South Pacific.

Here in New Zealand, we operate life-changing projects in 40 communities – from Kaitia to Invercargill.

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# Project Map



ADRA New Zealand Disaster Relief and Disaster Risk Reduction projects in 2012/13

ADRA New Zealand Community Development Projects in 2012/13





## International Programme | *Our Story*

ADRA New Zealand's International Programme has continued to grow and remains committed to supporting our partners to carry out projects that support vulnerable people in need throughout Asia and the Pacific. This year our programme portfolio has grown to a combined value of nearly \$9million dollars.

ADRA New Zealand's projects continue to help families help themselves and many projects are based around household businesses providing an income so that families can provide for their needs with dignity.

Many projects focus on sanitation, clean water supply and hygiene education. A growing trend with many of our new projects is the inclusion of disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation so that those who are active in our projects will be less vulnerable to emergencies and the changing world in which we live.

45% of ADRA New Zealand's projects are in the Pacific and this includes projects in Samoa, the Cook Islands, Vanuatu, Fiji. 55% of our projects are in Asia and this includes projects in Nepal, Mongolia, Myanmar, Philippines, Bangladesh and Vietnam.

## My Story – My House!

Suren Khorloo lives in Mongolia with her husband and three sons. She is a very hard working woman, winning an ADRA award for the best vegetable grower in her region. Her husband works in Mongolia's capital city, Ulaanbaatar, as a cart-puller. Before ADRA started the project, Suren and her family had no house and were living in someone else's felt-lined tent or Ger as they are locally known.

Some distance from Suren house there is a market festival, and this year ADRA paid the transport costs for her to get to the festival. At the festival, Suren sold all her vegetables and made enough money to buy materials so she could build her own house! She is very happy to have her own house, however small it is.

Her hopes for the future include learning skills in boot-making so that she can earn a living during the frigid Mongolian winter months when she cannot grow her vegetables.



Mrs Khorloo proudly standing outside her new home in -15°C enjoying some winter sunshine.



## My Story – My Dance!

Louleparma is a small village tucked away at the Northern end of the island of Tanna in Vanuatu.

For many years the village leaders made a conscious decision to avoid Western influences including Christian religion, education and modern medicine. However, the people in this village have always wanted a reliable water supply so that they don't have to walk for hours each day to carry water home.

Over the years, many government people from outside the village had promised that if the village voted for them, they would install a water supply system. Time and again, in good faith, the village would vote, but the promised systems never came.

One day the village chief heard from a neighbouring village about a water supply that ADRA was helping to install, and wondered whether maybe they would be eligible for one. After several meetings with ADRA, plans were put in place for a water system, but due to the villagers' bad experience with the politicians, they were still unsure about ADRA. But these fears were cast aside when materials and equipment started to arrive. It wasn't long before the entire village was busy helping to construct tanks and lay pipelines.

Even though the villagers were hard at work, there were still question marks as to whether it would work. It wasn't until water started flowing into the pump chamber, the villagers realised that this time, the water supply truly was going to happen.



The children break into a spontaneous dance around the pump chamber to celebrate their new water supply.



Participants planning for the construction of their new water system.





ADRA in partnership with the NZ Somali Women's Association provide english and sewing classes to women who have migrated from Somalia, assisting them to settle into NZ but to also develop a social network that is familiar.

## National Programme | *Our Story*

ADRA NZ has a presence in 40 New Zealand communities – with over 300 volunteers and 30% of Seventh-day Adventist Churches across the country engaged in an ADRA project.

From Kaitia to Invercargill ADRA have supported over 10,000 people through youth development programmes; family budgeting; marriage enrichment and parenting courses; community gardens; depression recovery, and crisis food relief.

The programme has grown rapidly over the last three years and the results have been amazing.

## My Story: My Recovery from Depression

Being a privileged country with access to education and healthcare doesn't mean we are without our problems. It just means our social issues are different and while we do not suffer from epidemic diseases we are victims of a first world epidemic called depression.

Up to one in five New Zealanders experience depression at some point in their lives, of which 8% are teenagers. A problem getting out of control it is up to government agencies and organisations like ADRA NZ to do something about it.

In partnership with Dargaville Adventist church ADRA have developed a programme that deals with depression, from identifying the issues to developing ways to cope and deal with it. But unlike typical depression recovery courses this programme goes one step further as it touches on the connection between mental and physical health, which includes a focus on healthy activity, healthy eating and musical appreciation among others.

The project has been embraced by the community and at the conclusion of the programme a special graduation dinner is held in which family, friends and civil representatives come together in celebration. At these dinners participants are given an opportunity to share a testimony on their journey and how the programme has assisted them in dealing with depression.







# My Story: My Second Chance

South Auckland has a proud reputation for breeding All Black champions, including Jonah Lomu and John Kirwan among other legends of the game. But it also has a reputation for violence and gangs, thus resulting in South Auckland having some of the highest crime rates in the country.

For this reason ADRA NZ in partnership with Calvary Community Church have established a project called SOLID Community. SOLID as it is often referred to is a 10-week health and life programme that runs four times a year. While the course is open to anyone in the community a high number of participants are gang members, previous law offenders and people living on the fringes of society.

Each weekly session commences with a kickboxing or box-fit class, before the participants take to the classroom where they learn key life skills, such as: anger and stress management, communication, family budgeting and community citizenship etc.

\*Johnny a member of one of New Zealand's most notorious gangs joined the SOLID programme after coming out of prison. The programme at first was an opportunity to get out of the house, as Johnny was on home detention, but then it became more than that.

SOLID became Johnny's opportunity for a second chance at life. Through the programme Johnny learnt how to take control of his life and responsibility for his actions. He learnt how to communicate and resolve conflicts without raising his fist and at the conclusion of the programme Johnny was able to reconcile with his partner but more importantly regain permanent custody of his kids who he hadn't seen for 4 years.

Johnny has now left the gang and has moved to another city in order to start a new life with his family.

\*name changed to protect privacy

# My Story: My Community Garden

The town of Meremere is right beside the Waikato River and a midway point between Auckland and Hamilton. Once a bustling town that served as home to workers of the local power station, it is now a community faced with many social issues and challenges, including high unemployment, domestic violence and gang-related crime.

In partnership with the Maori Seventh-day Adventist Church in South Auckland ADRA has established a community garden in Meremere. The gardens have become the hub of the community, providing a means for families to come together and share a sense of community, while providing produce for families doing it tough.

In only its second year, the community gardens already provides 40% of the community with fresh produce and it plans to increase this to over 80% in the next couple of years.

Meremere are proud of their community garden, but most importantly proud of what they have been able to do for each other. "It's great to see a community come together and to achieve what they have in just a short period of time is amazing", says Evan Fray, National Programme Director.

What started off as a simple community gardens project has now evolved into something much more. In partnership with the Maori Seventh-day Adventist Church, ADRA has established a mentoring programme and runs evening literacy classes in the local community hall.

Thanks to some seeds and a few vegetables Meremere is a community on the rise again.







## Emergency Management | *Our Story*

Disasters can happen at any time, to anyone, anywhere. ADRA NZ responds to a disaster/emergency once every two months on average, both right here in New Zealand, and the rest of the world. ADRA NZ responds quickly, working with local Disaster Management authorities and other NGO's and church networks to deliver basic necessities quickly and effectively, in the greatest times of need.

ADRA NZ has a trained Emergency Response Team which can be activated to respond where needed, and this year 4 people were deployed to support ADRA office responses in Samoa and Fiji immediately after Tropical Cyclone Evan hit.

A key part of ADRA NZ's work is working with communities to either prevent a disaster from happening or reducing the effects that a disaster can have. An important way that ADRA NZ has done this is to include Disaster Risk Reduction into all of our community development projects.

## My Story – My Survival!

In December 2012 Tropical Cyclone Bopha slammed into the southern Philippines Island of Mindanao with wind speeds of 280 km/hr and torrential rain. It was the strongest cyclone to ever hit the Southern Philippines. In response ADRA helped more than 3,200 families with emergency food supplies and drinking water.

Mang Bert, with his wife and five children, were grateful recipients of ADRA's help. During the height of the cyclone they huddled together under the parents' bed, fearful for their lives, listening to the storm literally rip their lives apart. As the winds dropped they came out to find their home destroyed and most of their possessions gone.

As Mang Bert expressed "it seemed that the world was ending". Mang Bert, who is a labourer in a coconut plantation, is back on his feet, but it will still take a while to recover from this disaster. Mang Bert is very thankful to ADRA for providing essential goods and support for the survival of his children.



*Mang Bert with his son Chris, with their food packs and water containers.*

## My Story – I Am Prepared!

Planning and preparing for a response to a disaster is an extremely important part of the work that ADRA New Zealand does. There are many ways that ADRA can plan and prepare for a disaster response. We work with and provide technical support to our partner offices to assist them with developing a disaster response plan. Following this we will help facilitate a disaster response simulation exercise to test the plan and to enable staff members to practise the plan.

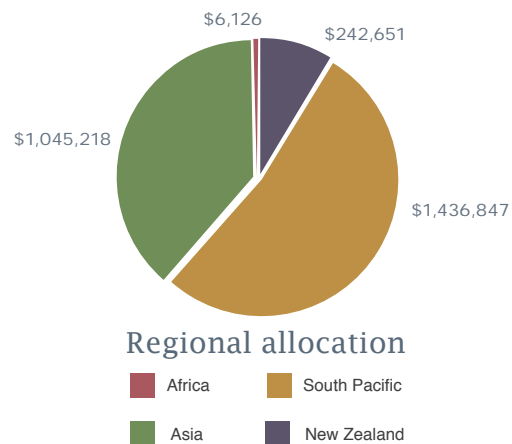
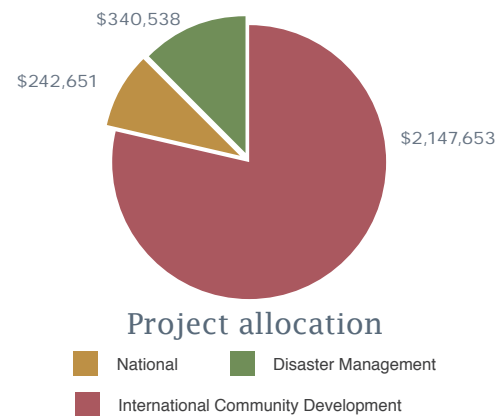
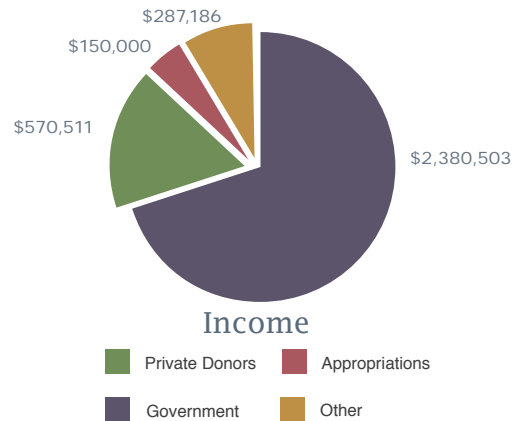
Another important way to prepare for a disaster is to pre-position essential supplies for use in the immediate aftermath of a disaster. ADRA NZ, in partnership with the NZ government, has pre-positioned supplies and equipment to provide drinking water and health support straight after a disaster. We currently have these supplies in Vanuatu and Fiji. After Tropical Cyclone Evan in Fiji, ADRA was able to provide the means for schools and communities to access drinking water and emergency health supplies.







## Financial Highlights



## Comprehensive Income Statement

For the Year Ended 30 June 2013

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Charity run	84,769	103,071
New start garden	20,821	36,525
Investment income	64,351	50,720
Other income	117,245	45,071
Donations, legacies and bequests	570,511	644,490
Appropriations	150,000	190,054
Government grants	2,380,503	1,796,846
<b>Total income</b>	<b>3,388,200</b>	<b>2,866,777</b>

Administrative expenses	(676,163)	(628,705)
Marketing costs	(35,993)	(35,468)
International projects	(2,488,191)	(1,846,259)
National projects	(242,651)	(266,390)
Charity run costs	(55,240)	(54,551)
New start garden costs	(104,938)	(82,293)
Other expenses	(45,690)	(22,652)
<b>Total expense</b>	<b>(3,648,866)</b>	<b>(2,936,318)</b>

<b>(Deficit)/surplus before income tax</b>	<b>(260,666)</b>	<b>(69,541)</b>
Income tax expense	—	—

<b>Net (deficit) for the year</b>	<b>(260,666)</b>	<b>(69,541)</b>
Other comprehensive income	—	—

<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS) FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(260,666)</b>	<b>(69,541)</b>
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# Balance Sheet

As At 30 June 2013

	2013 \$	2012 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>Current assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,623,157	1,302,891
Trade and other receivables	106,274	104,389
Biological assets	8,403	37,412
Other current assets	318,154	310,665
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>3,055,988</b>	<b>1,755,357</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	134,953	91,673
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>134,953</b>	<b>91,673</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>3,190,941</b>	<b>1,847,030</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade and other payables	330,115	98,649
Short-term provisions	3,319	44,944
Other current liabilities	2,215,656	837,462
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>2,579,090</b>	<b>981,055</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		
Long-term provisions	12,614	6,072
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>12,614</b>	<b>6,072</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,591,704</b>	<b>987,127</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>599,237</b>	<b>859,903</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Reserves	143,634	620,725
Funds available for future use	455,603	239,178
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>599,237</b>	<b>859,903</b>



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## Report of the Internal Auditor on the Summary Financial Statements

**To the Board of Management  
Adventist Development and Relief Agency  
Auckland, New Zealand**

The accompanying summary financial statements, which comprise the balance sheets as at 30 June 2013 and 2012 and the summary statements of comprehensive income for the years then ended, are derived from the audited financial statements of **Adventist Development and Relief Agency** ("the Organisation") for the years ended 30 June 2013 and 2012. We expressed qualified audit opinions on those financial statements in our reports dated 27 September 2013 and 28 November 2012.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by New Zealand Accounting Standards generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination. Reading the summary financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of the Organisation.

## Responsibility of the Board of Management for the Summary Audited Financial Statements

The Board of Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements in accordance with New Zealand Accounting Standards generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.

## 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 International Standard on Auditing (NZ) 810 "*Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements*."

## Opinion

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of **Adventist Development and Relief Agency** for the years ended 30 June 2013 and 2012 are consistent, in all material respects, with those financial statements, on the bases described in Note 2. However, the summary financial statements are qualified to the equivalent extent as the audited financial statements of the Organisation for the years ended 30 June 2013 and 2012.

The qualification of the audited financial statements is described in our qualified audit opinions in our reports dated 27 September 2013 and 28 November 2012. Our qualified audit opinions are based on the fact that it is not practicable for the Organisation to maintain an effective system of internal control over the collection of donations and other fund raising activities until their initial entry into the accounting records of the Organisation.

Accordingly, our audit of donations and other fund raising activities and donations was limited to amounts recorded. Our qualified audit opinions state that, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraphs, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organisation as at 30 June 2013 and 2012, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with New Zealand accounting standards generally accepted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.

*General Conference Auditing Service*

Sydney, 3 October 2013

# Board Of Directors

ADRA New Zealand's governing body consists of qualified and passionate individuals who strengthen ADRA's work by providing governance and strategic leadership – and all of them generously volunteer their time!



**Jerry Matthews – Chair**  
President, Seventh-day Adventist Church (New Zealand Pacific Union Conference).  
Jerry has extensive experience in senior administration in New Zealand and the South Pacific.



**Matthew Siliga – Secretary**  
Chief Executive Officer, ADRA New Zealand  
Matthew brings wealth of experience in management and has worked for ADRA for 8 years.



**Leanne Davies**  
Company Director at StorMan Software, Trustee LightStream Trust and Stellar Charitable Trust.  
Leanne has 14 years experience in administration and pastoral ministry at Papatoetoe SDA Community Church.



**Graeme Drinkall**  
Chief Financial Officer, Seventh-day Adventist Church (New Zealand Pacific Union Conference).  
Graeme has extensive experience in senior administration roles in New Zealand, Australia and the South Pacific.



**Greg Young**  
Regional Director, ADRA South Pacific  
Greg has worked for ADRA since 1998 and brings over 30 years of management experience in addition to an extensive development and relief background in Australia, Thailand, U.S and the South Pacific.



**Susan Piket**  
CEO Barbican Training Centre  
Susan has national and international board experience across a range of NGOs, private companies and Maori organisations, and experience in training, mentoring and advisory services to organisations across the Pasifika basin.



**Stephen Andrews**  
Commercial Manager  
Stephen has over 20 years experience in senior administration in the Health and FMCG sector.



**Paul Hopson**  
Adventist church Pastor with the North NZ Conference  
Paul has served many years as a church pastor, but also has practical experience of large scale project management from his previous employment as a Project Engineer.

## ADRA New Zealand staff:

Matthew Siliga, Chief Executive Officer  
Evan Fray, Director, National Programme  
Robert Patton, Director, Emergency Management  
Irene Yang, Senior Accountant  
Ina Louw, Office Manager

Victoria Fray, Director, International Programme  
Charlene Luzuk, Co-ordinator, International Programme  
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On behalf of ADRA New Zealand, our board of directors and the communities and partners we work with, thank you for your continued support of our work.





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