



Annual Report 2022

Adventist Development and Relief Agency New Zealand

Our Purpose

Our purpose is to serve humanity so all may live as God intended—free from poverty and disadvantage.

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) is the official humanitarian agency of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The ADRA network is present in over 118 countries around the globe, including here in New Zealand, delivering transformational development and relief projects. We believe in justice, compassion, and love.

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Message from the Board

Science author and psychologist Angela Duckworth sub-titles her book on 'grit' as - the power of passion and perseverance. Similar characteristics like tenacity and resilience describe the ministry of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) New Zealand (NZ) over the past year. I believe that this attribute of endurance is needed for ADRA NZ, our partner ADRA Australia and right across the international ADRA network. I like Duckworth's definition of grit, "Grit is passion and sustained persistence applied toward long-term achievement, with no particular concern for rewards or recognition along the way."

Passion. The passion to come meaningfully alongside partners in international and local communities has underlined the work of ADRA NZ this year. This has been seen in support for ADRA Ukraine, work across the Asia Pacific and locally in Aotearoa New Zealand. In particular, the leadership team of ADRA NZ CEO Dr Denison Grellmann and ADRA NZ General Manager Mrs Keryn McCutcheon has combined to intentionally grapple with the challenges of effective service. I acknowledge their passionate efforts to grow the ministry of ADRA NZ.

Sustained persistence. Keeping at the task is critical to the grit that is needed to succeed in service ministry. The team members of ADRA NZ have unwaveringly stayed the course despite challenges both professional and personal that they have encountered this past year. One example is the unavoidable impact of Covid-19. The ADRA NZ team members have shown sustained persistence by upholding and valuing cohesive cooperation. This has included weekly commitment to the spiritual foundations of the ADRA ministry. Their teamwork is inspirational.

Long term achievement. Behind the scenes the ADRA NZ Board has been working to ensure long term sustainability and more importantly enduring impact for good in the communities of the Asia Pacific. This has involved oversight of the Australia New Zealand alliance, and the New Zealand office. I thank the ADRA NZ board for their wisdom and humble service.



In all things I thank God for giving ADRA NZ the passion and perseverance to *endure* these trying times inspired by hope in Christ Jesus.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eddie Tupa'i".

Dr. Eddie Tupa'i

Chair, ADRA New Zealand Board



Message from the CEO

Dear Friends,

I am grateful to be sharing with you the 2022 ADRA Annual Report. This report reflects the heart of ADRA and our purpose of serving humanity so all may live as God intended.

Together, we have served thousands of families and helped children, women and men overcome poverty and hardship.

Through the creation of livelihood, education, and health opportunities, we are equipping more families to transform their lives and their communities.

In the last year we have worked internationally with projects in Cambodia, Myanmar, Timor-Leste, Papua New Guinea, and Vanuatu. Each project represents a partnership with our in-country office and with each community we serve. Our overarching strategic goal for these projects is to build healthier and more resilient rural communities.

Within New Zealand we partner with communities and churches to deliver support to each community. In the last year we have implemented 15 projects, positively impacting communities across the country.

Reflecting on the progress of the past year, I am reminded of a bible verse; "Give thanks to the Lord because He is good, His faithful love endures forever" (1 Chronicles 16:34).

In all the work that ADRA does, I see both His faithfulness and gratitude of people. With each life that is changed I see deep appreciation and thankfulness for each of our projects. With every activity and new project our team implements, I see God's faithfulness in His provision.

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From our entire team here in New Zealand, we are grateful for you; for each partner, prayer warrior, supporter, volunteer, and community champion—thank you for your belief in our purpose and kind generosity.

My hope is that as you read through this report you can experience just a glimpse of the gratitude your support has enabled.

May God bless you,


Denison Grellmann
Chief Executive Officer
ADRA New Zealand and Australia



Dear ADRA Whānau,

As we look backwards and celebrate the journey of the past year, I am extremely aware of what it has taken to ensure ADRA NZ operations have continued with a focus on collaboration, quality programme delivery and understanding of our unique privilege of living and working in Aotearoa.

I would firstly like to acknowledge the staff team, Anna, Maranatha, Sahara, Sally and Sarah who collectively have endured through personal loss, extended remote working, pressures to grow and stretch despite limited resources and management of programmes in volatile circumstances, to name a few challenges. We are also extremely grateful to our financial team, Stephen Higgins and Chiedza Ndlovu from the NZPUC. It has taken courage (kaha) strong connections (whanaungatanga) and heartfelt compassion (mākohā) by every team member, and the fruit of their dedication and ongoing passion for serving shines through the pages of this report. Our team has grown together, through our shared passion to know God more intimately and entrust ourselves and work into His hands.

As will be referenced throughout this report, it has taken the efforts and energy of '*many*' over the past year. *Many* hours gifted and served by volunteers, project leaders, ADRA Champions and dedicated project teams. *Many* conversations and planning meetings with our overseas partners, wider church leadership from the NZPUC, both NZ Conferences and local Church Pastors. *Many* financial sacrifices from our loyal and generous supporters and of course *many* prayers and petitions to God. We continue to be blown away by the energy and passion we see demonstrated throughout NZ and inspired to continue to be worthy representatives and partners in the Church's vision to see lives impacted by the 'hands and feet' of Jesus in practical ways.



As we continue to navigate the current challenges in NZ that are left in the wake of the past 2 years of Covid-19 disruption, our team is mindful that emerging stronger requires a greater outpouring of the Holy Spirits leading, agility and willingness to let go – to embrace changes and limitations to focus on what is needed for this next season.

I appreciate very much the wisdom expressed beautifully in this Maori proverb:

*Whāia te iti kahurangi
ki te tirohū koe me he
maunga teitei.*

Seek the treasure you value most dearly: if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain.

In all things we desire to keep our eyes on the 'treasure' which is our fellow neighbours; and do all we can to see people flourish as beings 'created in God's image'.

Thank you for being dedicated partners on this incredible journey.

Keryn McCutcheon

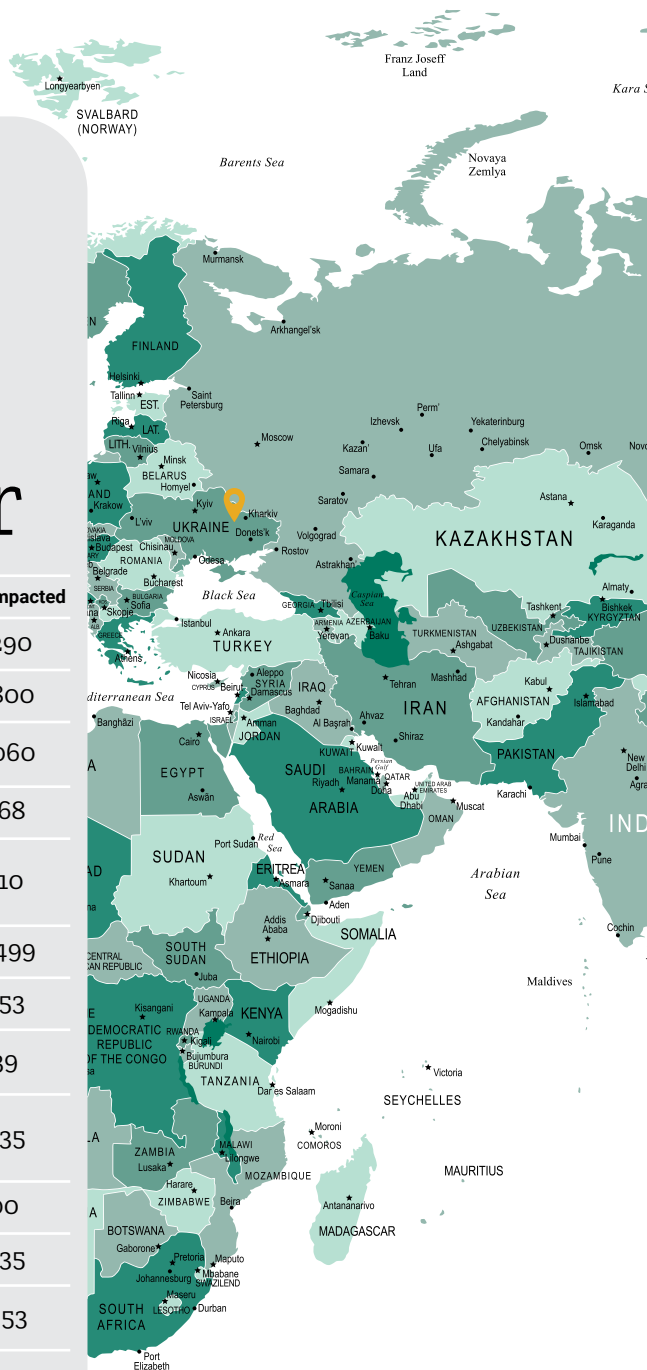
Keryn McCutcheon

General Manager
ADRA New Zealand



Where we're serving, together

Project Type	Country	People impacted
Development	 Myanmar	17,290
Development	 Cambodia	12,800
Development	 Timor Leste	76,060
Development	 Vanuatu	7,768
Development	 Papua New Guinea	7,110
Disaster Response	 India	84,499
Disaster Response	 Fiji	3,153
Disaster Response	 Solomon Islands	639
Disaster Response	 Papua New Guinea	1,835
Disaster Response	 Tonga	700
Disaster Response	 Ukraine	1,835
CTP	 New Zealand	5,053



Through your support and partnership, we're able to transform the lives of thousands of people most in need—thank you for creating change.



National Programmes

Through partnerships with churches, schools, and communities, we have implemented 15 Community Transformation Partnership (CTP) initiatives to help better the lives of people here in Aotearoa.

With ongoing lockdowns and economic change over the last year, we have seen a rise in households needing more help. In response to the effects of the ongoing pandemic, we have continued to provide emergency food and grocery packs to families in need through our Love Thy Neighbour response.

I am grateful for the funding and support from individuals and community partners including Sanitarium and the Tindall foundation that enabled this response.

In the past year we also hosted our first online Champions Conference event. Over 70 community champions participated in this virtual event which provides practical advice and tools on how to best serve in our local communities. We were joined by both national and international keynote speakers and workshop hosts that inspired and equipped participants.

Philippians 1:3 says, “I thank God each time I think of you”. This is part of the letter that Paul writes to the church of Philippi for their continued support over the years as he travels, spreads the Gospel and ministers to people and their needs. The same can be said from our team at ADRA to each of you who have supported us in various ways to show justice, compassion, and love in our communities.

“He rau ringa e oti ai” (Many hands make light work). From our Love Thy Neighbour response to the health initiatives, youth mentoring, community meals, and our Pathways drivers licensing programme; these would not be possible without the wonderful organisations who partner with us, as well as our incredible community champions. In the words of Paul and on behalf of our team—“I thank God each time I think of you.”



Sally Lavea

National Programmes Manager

Learn more about our work here in New Zealand and find opportunities to get involved: adra.org.nz/ctp

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(Philippians 1:3)*





We've helped **5,053** people here in New Zealand

Through the support of **56** volunteers providing
15,909 hours of volunteer support.



Disaster Response

Throughout the year, we've helped 92,661¹ people when it's been needed most.

Thanks to your support, we're always ready and always there to respond, this year alone we responded to nine disasters across eight countries. We've helped communities facing Covid-19, flooding, civil unrest, war, volcanic eruptions, and tsunamis.

One story that has inspired me has been Isoa's² story.

During the height of the Covid-19 pandemic in Fiji, many people lost their jobs and were unable to travel to access food markets. Isoa (59) struggled to provide for his family of six. Without access to his local food market, he was unable to sell or purchase any food for his family.

Isoa received a food kit and vegetable seeds from ADRA to help his family access food during this time.

"The food kits helped in putting food on the table as everyone was home, and it was quite hard trying to provide for every meal." The food kit helped the family's immediate needs,

"We also utilised the seeds provided and planted them during the lockdown as a family. What a help they became!"

¹ In partnership with our ADRA network, we have been able to help 90,921 people during and in the immediate aftermath of disasters.

² Name changed to protect identity



while the vegetable seeds helped his family plan for their future. “We also utilised the seeds provided and planted them during the lockdown as a family. What a help they became! We were able to have the much-needed food supplies from our harvest a few months after.”

Isoa shared with our ADRA staff that he grew a bounty of cabbages, cucumbers, eggplants, and other fast-growing crops which continued to help feed his family after the food kit was finished.

“After the restrictions, there were still limitations around that prevented us from earning a living but thanks to the harvest from our garden, we were able to at least minimize our daily struggle for food, eating fresh from our garden supplies.”

Five months after the distributions, Isoa is still enjoying his harvest. His family is enjoying the eggplants and cabbages and have had such an abundance that they are now gifting a portion of their harvest to other struggling families in their village.

Through receiving help during a difficult time, Isoa has been able to provide for his family, and now his community!

What’s most inspiring about Isoa is that as soon as he had the opportunity to, he helped his neighbours and his surrounding community. Thank you for making Isoa’s story possible, and the story of 92,661 more people whose lives have been changed during a disaster.



Stay updated with our disaster responses at
adra.org.nz/respond

Anna Downing
 International Programme Manager



International Projects

*Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi;
Engari, he toa takitini.*

My successes are not mine alone, they are ours; the greatest success we will have are from working together. –Maori Whakatauki.

Our international projects are focused on empowering people to overcome poverty by equipping them with the tools, trainings, and opportunities to access a better future.

In 2021, we embarked on a new journey in partnership with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade to implement development projects across four countries in the Pacific and South-East Asia.



Elena, Timor-Leste

This five-year project is helping families overcome poverty in Myanmar, Timor-Leste, Vanuatu and Papua New Guinea. The focus of this project is Sustainable Health, Agriculture, Protection and Empowerment (SHAPE).

Additionally, we have an ongoing project in Cambodia to grow the income of rural farmers. We do this through agricultural and business training and grouping farmers to drive higher negotiation power within the market, increasing the value of crops and ensuring farmers can provide a better life for their families.

Over the past year we have built rain harvesting systems and latrines in Vanuatu, we have trained farmers in Myanmar, empowered women through education in Papua New Guinea, helped families start businesses in Timor Leste, and so much more.



“With the loan, I have been able to start a small business. The profits I make have helped me to cover our daily needs and school necessities...”

Elena¹ is just one woman we have been able to help this year.

As a single mother of four living in rural Timor-Leste, Elena struggled to provide enough for her children.

Your support enabled Elena to join an ADRA savings and loan group. These groups help provide families living in poverty with access to funding that can be used to start a business, funding that would otherwise be inaccessible or have high interest rates.

Elena used the group to take out \$130 to buy an oven to bake delicious bread to sell in her local market.

“With the loan, I have been able to start a small business. The profits I make have helped me to cover our daily needs and school necessities, and even I can save some more money, which was hard to do before” shared Elena.

Elena’s story represents hundreds of people whose lives have been transformed through your generosity and support.

On behalf of the International programmes team, thank you for your ongoing support of our mahi around the world.



Stay updated with our international projects at adra.org.nz/SHAPE

Sahara Anae
International Programme Manager

¹ Name changed to protect identity.



Fundraising Highlights

Together, we have raised an incredible \$1,263,949 in the last year to help more families overcome poverty and hardship.

This season I am grateful for our supporters. During a time when it's needed most, we have seen an increase in generosity and have been able to do more through this.

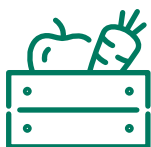
Here are just a few highlights of the amazing initiatives we have achieved together:



We raised over \$100,000 to help families devastated by the Ukraine crisis. This has been our biggest disaster appeal in history and together with the ADRA network we are helping families in Ukraine, Moldova, Romania, Poland, Hungary and Slovakia.



With new international projects we launched a new gift catalogue to accompany the new ways we are able to help people. Our new gifts included a fruit tree, literacy course for women, a solar dryer, and much more. Over the Christmas season, supporters purchased 184 gifts, each has helped a family in a meaningful way.



Lockdowns continued throughout the year, with more families here in New Zealand feeling financially burdened, your support ensured we were able to continue providing essential grocery items to people here at home. Together, we helped provide grocery food parcels/gift cards to over 300 Kiwi families.



We've shared more stories that highlight both our national and international projects to best demonstrate the different but equally powerful transformation your support is making.



Amelia used her creativity and artistic skills to raise funds for families in Ukraine. She created artwork and auctioned it online, raising over \$100. These funds were used to help provide water, food and emergency shelter to Ukrainian citizens and refugees.



A Church in Hamilton hosted a cake auction to raise funds for ADRA. The entire church got involved and baked 27 cakes to raise \$6,300.

On behalf of the team and the people we are serving, thank you for your incredible compassion that has moved you to volunteer, advocate, and donate to make a positive difference in the lives of those most in need.

*Nāku te rourou nāu te
rourou ka ora ai te iwi*

With your basket, and my basket the people will thrive.



Together, with our strengths, with the strengths of the communities we serve, and with your strengths, we are all able to create a thriving future for all—thank you!

Sarah Ryan
Marketing Officer

Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense

For the Year Ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Revenue from exchange transactions	\$	\$
Events income	14,012	35,401
Other income	57,554	142,074
	71,566	177,475
Revenue from non-exchange transactions		
International projects income	3,946,885	3,423,990
Donations, legacies and bequests	1,263,949	1,126,527
Appropriations	237,791	230,267
	5,448,625	4,780,784
Total Revenue	5,520,191	4,958,259
Expense		
International projects expenses	(3,966,847)	(3,761,541)
National projects	(493,787)	(396,555)
Administrative expenses	(375,648)	(365,865)
Event costs	(6,057)	(8,143)
Marketing costs	(96,196)	(188,877)
Other expenses	(38,927)	(37,304)
Total expense	(4,977,462)	(4,758,285)
	-	-
Surplus before income taxes	542,729	199,974
Income tax expense	-	-
Net surplus	542,729	199,974
Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the year	542,729	199,974

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Statement of Financial Position

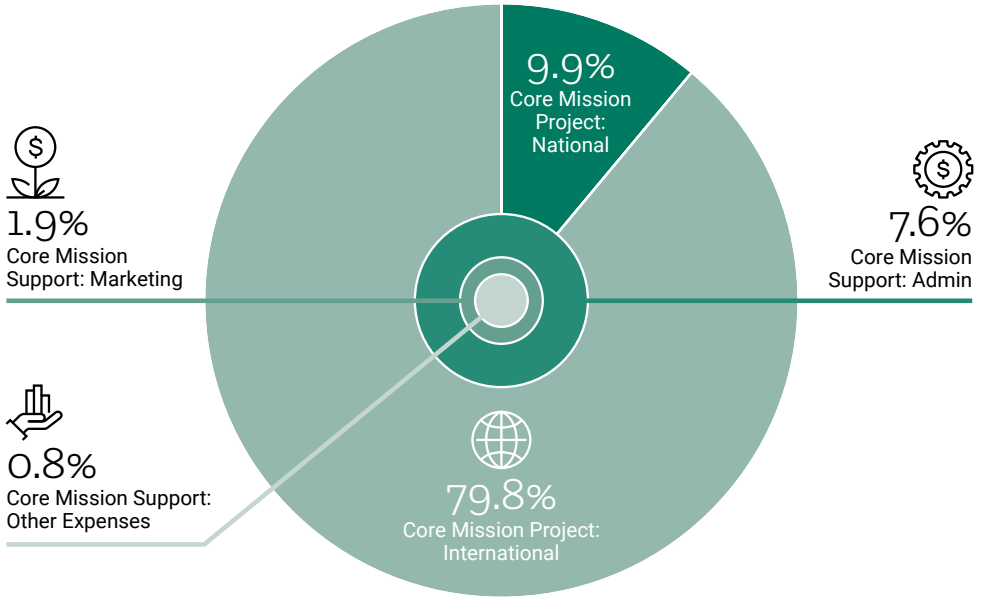
For the Year Ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	4,972,505	6,539,939
Trade and other receivables	91,263	83,298
Other assets	7,293	10,490
Total current assets	5,071,061	6,633,727
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	94,614	100,501
TOTAL ASSETS	5,165,675	6,734,228
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	62,129	78,713
Provisions	76,996	57,710
Other liabilities	2,488,488	4,607,240
Total current liabilities	2,627,613	4,743,663
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term provisions	17,819	13,051
Total non-current liabilities	17,819	13,051
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,645,432	4,756,714
NET ASSETS	2,520,243	1,977,514
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Reserves	689,336	469,358
Funds available for future use	1,830,907	1,508,156
	2,520,243	1,977,514
TOTAL EQUITY	2,520,243	1,977,514

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Use of Funds

For the year ended 30 June 2022



Report of the Internal Auditor on the Summary Financial Statements

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

Opinion

The summary financial statements, which comprise the summary balance sheets as at 30 June 2022 and 2021 and the summary income statements 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 2022 and 2021.

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 2022 and 2021 are consistent, in all material respects, with those financial statements, on the bases described in Note 4.

Summary Financial Statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Public Benefit Entity Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime issued by New Zealand Accounting Standards Board (PBE IPSAS). Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements and the auditor's report thereon.

The Audited Financial Statements and Our Report Thereon

We expressed unmodified audit opinions on the audited financial statements in our reports dated 15 November 2022 and 16 November 2021.

Board of Trustees' Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

The Board of Trustees' are responsible for the preparation of a summary of the financial statements in accordance with New Zealand Accounting Standards as applicable to not-for-profit organisations adopted by the Seventh-day Adventist denomination.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISA (NZ)) 810 (Revised), *Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements*.

Other than in our capacity as internal auditors of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, we have no relationship with, or interests in, **Adventist Development and Relief Agency**.

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The New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade.



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Our CTP initiatives are made possible through the generous support of:

The Tindall Foundation



Sanitarium

North New Zealand Conference

South New Zealand Conference

New Zealand Pacific Union Conference

Adventist Health Ministries NZPUC

Discipleship NZPUC

We also want to thank our churches and community volunteers throughout Aotearoa that make our community projects possible.

Resources, knowledge, and sponsorship was also made available through:

Council for International Development



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Elia Wellness

Parenting Place

Orange Sky

Invictus Wellbeing Programme

Let's Get Legal NZ

Nedley Depression & Anxiety Recovery

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We are proudly working together with the members and administration of The Seventh-day Adventist Church, and the NZPUC Health and Discipleship Department



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