

Ait a bhfuil eadochas, dochas; Ait a bhfuil dorcadas, solas; Ait a bhfuil bron, athas.

Where there is dispair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; And where there is sadness, joy.

Throughout 2016, with your continued support, Combined Services Third World Fund supported projects in the developing world amounting to some €270,000. The list of the countries, and amounts of grants involved, is shown in Note 2 of this Annual Report. The work of the Fund is very neatly summarised in the little prayer above! CSTWF helps bring hope, light and joy to many poor and underdeveloped communities around the world.

After the Fund helped build a new dining hall at his school, a boy from Uganda wrote: "It was Monday 16th October

2016 and we had our first meal in the new dining hall. Before, we had been having meals in a temporary hut, disturbed by dust, rain and smoke. Now we sit and eat together. Thanks to all who assisted in its construction."

Following the installation of a bore hole and pumping machine at her local parish crèche, in a village in South Africa, an elderly blind person wrote: "The very bitter moment of my life is not being blind, but the day I have to go to the stream to fetch water. I never had the chance to have a child who could assist me in my condition of blindness. Now I have water next to my house and this really takes away my suffering of being blind. Very big thanks to you good people from afar for thinking of us while our own people don't care about our situation."

The purchase of an X-ray machine at a hospital in Masaka greatly added to the

services provided by that hospital.

Patients are no longer turned away due to a lack of X-ray services.

A project was approved to provide a girls' school in Tanzania with a toilet block, consisting of ten toilets and showers, including wash hand basins, water tanks, and a store room. Almost five hundred current students and all the future generations will greatly benefit from the assistance of the Fund.

It is hoped these small, but very worthwhile projects, funded by the CSTWF, can demonstrate how a little can go a very long way. Please continue to support your Fund and also help recruit more urgently needed new members. Many may still not be aware of the Fund's existence and the very valuable work assisting some of those most in need through grants for health, education, agricultural and other projects.

There are **two** optional rates of contribution to the Fund of only **1 cent** or **2 cents** from every **€10** of pay or pension

Every Cent Counts!

CSTWF operates on a completely voluntary basis. Through the work of

the Council, Trustees, Management and Advisory Committees in the assessment and financing of projects and general office administration, generous contributions received are utilised in the most cost effective manner.

If you are not already a contributor to the fund or if you know someone who might be interested in contributing, please do contact us immediately or go to our website:

for application forms.

A very helpful CSTWF Project

On the 25th April 2015, a devastating earthquake struck in Nepal. A huge aftershock up in the mountains on the 12th May 2015 brought much devastation to very poor communities. More than nine thousand people died and over 22,000 were injured. Three and a half million people lost their homes and many rural village schools were destroyed. The CSTWF immediately donated €5,000 towards earthquake relief and rebuilding at Rapcha village in the lap of Mount Everest. These villages are several days walk on foot from any roads or airstrips. This grant from the Fund helped the local school, which had been destroyed, to commence essential rebuilding. A brand new and earthquake resistant school building was completed by builders, helped by teachers and students, less than twelve months later!



Combined Services Third World Fund

Receipts and Payments Account Year Ending 31st December 2016

Receipts	2016	2015
	€	€
Members Subscriptions Deposit Interest	306,394 (Note 1) 7	311,460 10
TOTAL RECEIPTS	306,401	311,470
Payments		
Projects Office Expenses	269,262 (Note 2) 11,120	302,900 11,987
TOTAL PAYMENTS	280,382	314,887
Excess Receipts over Payments Opening Bank Balance	26,019 59,464	(3,417) 62,881
Closing Bank Balance	85,483	59,464

The above was prepared by the Fund's Registered Auditors from the 2016 accounts of the Combined Services Third World Fund

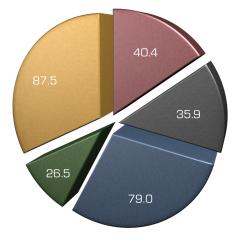
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CSTWF grants made in 2016 (€000's)

The Fund awarded 42 grants in 15 developing countries during 2016 and totalling **€269,262**. As can be seen from the pie chart above, €87,555 of the total amount granted, went to thirteen educational projects. The Fund places a high value on education as it is central to development, enabling people to overcome poverty. It is the "helping hand" rather than the handout. Health and sanitation projects are always high on the list of grant aid projects. €35,900 was approved for five health improvement projects. Better health makes an important contribution as health facilities in many developing countries are, at best, very basic. In line with this, water and sanitation is also a priority. €79,250 was granted towards twelve projects improving water supplies and toilet facilities. €40,427 was granted towards seven agriculture projects and €26,500 went to five community development projects. All of these grants made are aimed at meeting the basic needs of people. It is a firm belief of the Fund that if people can meet these essential needs they will help to develop themselves and their countries.

Contributions Lodged	Departments/Services	Amount €
1	Agriculture, Food & Marine	19,439.77
2	Arts, Heritage & Gaeltacht	2,012.92
3	Communications, Energy & Natural Resources	1,333.91
4	Children & Youth's Affairs	1,151.26
5	Defence	1,991.34
6	Education & Skills	7,464.95
7	Environment, Community & Local Government	6,508.00
8	Foreign Affairs & Trade	5,521.81
9	Health	2,972.99
10	Jobs, Enterprise & Innovation	6,118.14
11	Justice & Equality	6,731.93
12	Transport, Tourism & Sport	2,520.84
13	Taoiseach	1,546.43
14	Social Protection	24,284.28
15	An Bord Pleanala	443.34
16	An Oireachtas, Leinster House	1,004.01
17	An Post	55,451.47
18	Central Statistics Office	3,267.63
19	Tulsa (CFA)	55.12
20	Coillte	5,309.20
21	Courts Service	4,830.79
22	eir	15,093.33
23	eir Pensioners	7,554.67
24	Garda Civilian	4,082.51
25	Health & Safety Authority	503.93
26	Irish Aviation Authority	1,814.86
27	National Library	110.07
28	Lottery	570.03
29	National Museum	129.40
30	National Roads Authority	160.94
31	Ombudsman for Children	70.55
32	Office of Public Works	4,703.17
33	PMG Pensions	46,429.60
34	Prison Service	395.53
35	Property Regulatory Authority	2,218.86
36	Revenue Commissioners	45,868.45
37	Road Safety Authority	706.83
38	SFPA	163.07
39	Solas	67.84
40	Teagasc	200.64
41	Valuation Office	883.17
42 43	Waterways Insurance Refund	54.34
		12.08
44 45	Refund from Projects Unidentified	877.00 2,516.25
46-59	Finance, Public Expenditure & Reform	9,613.80
	Vodafone	
60 61	vodarone Eudokia	427.64 85.76
62 63	PSEU M Bird	1,000.00 120.00
	W DIIU	120.00
	Total	306,394.45

Note 2

Project No	Countries	Projects Funded	Amount €
2972	Kenya	Protection of supply of spring water	8,000.00
2974	Kenya	Provision of safe water for community	7,000.00
2978	Burundi	Completion of a total of 6 classrooms	7,000.00
2981	Kenya	Updating of school	7,500.00
2984	Tanzania	Renovation of dispensary building	7,500.00
2987	Uganda	Development through agriculture	8,000.00
2990	Malawi	Maize grinding mill	2,600.00
2991	Uganda	Completion of boarding school facilities	7,000.00
2992	Kenya	Rainwater harvesting for primary school	7,000.00
2993	India	Tables and benches for orphanage	5,000.00
2994	India	Toilets for girls	5,000.00
2995	Kenya	Equipping an outpatient	6,400.00
2996	Rwanda	Rainwater harvesting for primary school	7,000.00
2997	Uganda	Provision of toilets	6,000.00
2998	Pakistan	Solar lighting system Montessori school	4,500.00
2999	India	Upgrade of centre for physically disabled	4,000.00
3001	India	Provision of drinking water	3,300.00
3002	Rwanda	Rainwater storage facilities	7,000.00
3003	Nigeria	Washing and toilet facilities	8,000.00
3004	Zambia	Raising small animals	5,527.00
3005	Uganda	Drinking water for school	7,700.00
3007	India	Construction of a kitchen and storeroom	7,000.00
3009	Sierra Leone	Renovation of bakery in children's home	5,000.00
3010	Malawi	Equipping a maternity unit	8,000.00
3011	Uganda	Completion of classroom block Gweri Fort Portal	7,000.00
3012	Tanzania	Installation of solar systems	7,430.00
3014	Tanzania	Provision of poultry farm	2,500.00
3015	Malawi	Drilling of borehole	6,250.00
3016	Kenya	School furniture	7,200.00
3017	Ghana	Water supply	7,500.00
3018	Kenya	Renovation of children's ward	7,000.00
3019	Ethiopia	Sheep rearing	6,000.00
3020	Uganda	One room classroom block	6,755.00
3022	Tanzania	Sanitation for primary school	5,800.00
3023	Pakistan	Furniture for orphanage	5,000.00
3024	Uganda	Water tanks	5,700.00
3025	Uganda	Water harvesting system	7,300.00
3028	Kenya	Beekeeping	7,800.00
3029	Malawi	Solar water system	5,500.00
3037	Ghana	Renovation of school	8,000.00
3041	Nigeria	Generator for development of young people	7,500.00
3045	Lesotho	Irrigation project	8,000.00

Total 269,262.00