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TOP 10 PROGRAM INNOVATIONS

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A note from the CEO

THE COURAGE TO CHANGE: Innovation in action

The wonderful thing about innovation is that even seemingly small or simple changes can have a huge, transformative effect.

The use of charcoal dust as a fertilizer in school gardens in Burkina Faso, solar energy in a Ghanaian village, and waste as a fuel source in Ethiopia are just three examples of simple innovations that are effecting meaningful change in the lives of children in Christian Children's Fund of Canada (CCFC)-supported communities.

Other projects are helping communities work together in new ways so everyone is secure. A powerful example includes a fishing cooperative in India that is helping to free fishermen and their families from bondage to moneylenders for the first time in generations.

CCFC's commitment to innovation — and our successes — is a result of many people: dedicated staff, government and corporate partners; talented local partners who implement our programs; community members with the courage to change how they have been doing things for generations; and *you*.

Your thoughtful giving is what makes these life-changing innovations possible. Thank you for your trust and generosity.

Mark Lukowski

MARK LUKOWSKI
CEO and Child Sponsor
Christian Children's Fund of Canada



ON THE COVER

(Left to right) Usha, 10, Ananda, 11, Muniya, 12, and Yogeswari, 11, now attend school thanks to a fishing cooperative that is freeing children in India from indebted labour for the first time in generations.

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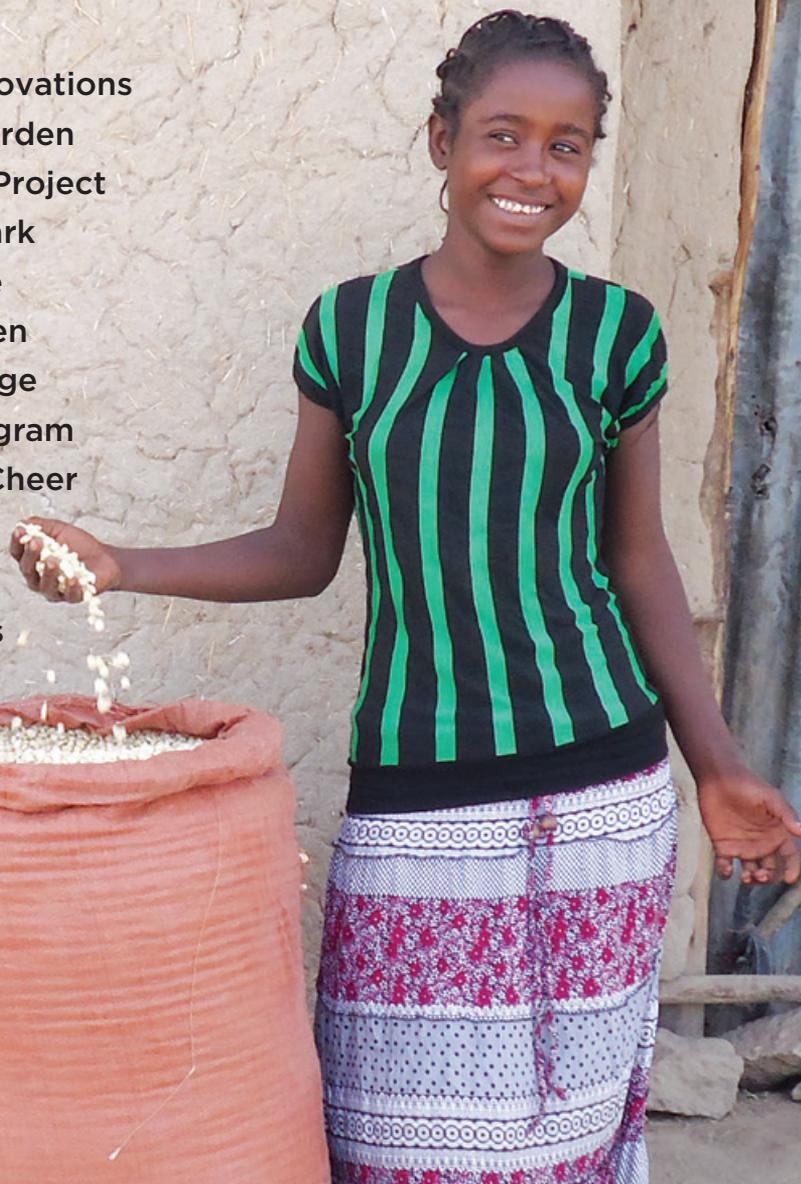
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CCFC'S

TOP 10 PROGRAM INNOVATIONS



WHY WE LOVE THEM



in·no·va·tion

- the introduction of something new
- a new idea, tool, method, technology, etc.

We've selected some of our favourite programs to share. Each tackles a long-standing and deep-rooted challenge with a fresh and new approach, and reflects CCFC's commitment to embed innovation across our organization.

The result: Communities are embracing change — they're excited to share their knowledge with others and empowered to achieve great things!



SUPER VEGETABLE GARDEN

BURKINA FASO

1,000+ children are sharing their new knowledge at home

Just half a barrel of water (100 litres) per week is needed to grow a 200-m² garden during the dry season

WHY WE LOVE IT

Children are agents of change — transferring knowledge to their families



Valentin, 13, pulls a cabbage from the earth, brushes off the soil, and gently places it aside. He is one of more than 1,000 children in Burkina Faso who are proving school gardens can have a transformative effect that reaches far beyond the classroom.

In Burkina Faso, schools depend on a subsidy from the government to run their school canteens (cafeterias). These subsidies only cover a part of students' needs for the school year, and are limited to the purchase of grains and vegetable oil.

To help students eat more balanced meals, and improve their ability to focus and learn in class, CCFC donors have funded Super Gardens in seven schools.

What makes these gardens special is the use of charcoal dust (biochar) to fertilize the soil. The charcoal, produced from renewable agricultural waste, such as invasive plants, adopts an existing technology.

Fertilizing soil with just one kilogram of "green" biochar per square metre doubles agricultural production. In addition, biochar acts as a sustainable carbon sink, mitigating long-term climate change.

The school gardens, planted in 2013-14, provide students with fresh vegetables during the school year, both in the dry and rainy seasons — requiring 80 percent less water to thrive using drip irrigation. During periods of recurring drought, children are able to grow more with less water, helping to mitigate chronic food shortages, and shortening the time spent travelling to find water sources.

Excited about what they learn tending the gardens at school, children are talking about it at home.

These young agents of change are inspiring their parents and guardians to learn how they can create a Super Garden to provide a higher yield — and more reliable source — of vegetables for their families.

Issouf, one of Valentin's schoolmates, has already convinced his mother to develop a small Super Garden at home.

In time, this innovative program will be expanded into the community at the household level. The benefits will be immense. Sixty square metres of soil treated with biochar can produce a nutritious diet of more than one ton of vegetables for a family of 10 people each year!

Valentin, 13

"When I see plants growing, I feel very happy. If I had enough means, I would make a big garden for my parents."





ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PROJECT

ETHIOPIA

More than 400 family members are benefiting from 22 biogas plants

Human and animal waste are replacing traditional energy sources that are rapidly being depleted

WHY WE LOVE IT

Children are being protected from harmful smoke emissions and risks associated with fetching firewood, and they have more time for school



Dawit, 9 Layla's Son

"Thank you for supporting my mother to start work and make an income for our family. This has allowed her to buy us food and clothes."

Women run a cafeteria using human waste collected from a communal latrine they manage as an energy source for cooking

Outside a busy cafeteria six women sit laughing and chatting as they prepare lentil stew and vegetables for waiting customers. Located in the urban slums of Addis Ababa, the popular eatery represents a shift to an alternative energy that is transforming the lives of women, children and communities.

In Ethiopia, traditional energy sources (especially wood and charcoal) are rapidly being depleted, deepening the household energy crisis. Daily use of an indoor open fire for cooking exposes women and girls to respiratory diseases, eye ailments, air pollution and accidental burns. And, deforestation has forced women and children to spend much of their time fetching wood from remote areas, exposing them to the

threat of beatings and sexual assault, and adversely affecting literacy rates and school retention for girls.

To protect women and children, improve the health and well-being of families, and help restore the environment, CCFC is supporting a number of biogas projects that use methane from waste to create energy.

As a result of your generosity, 12 women are able to run the profitable cafeteria using human waste from CCFC-built communal latrines. A biogas digester collects methane as microbes produce it inside a closed tank, and it channels the gas to generate electricity for cooking meals. The project has been so successful, seven similar groups of women

have been supported to work with biogas in the area.

CCFC has also supported a number of other biogas projects, including installing 20 biogas plants that use cow dung in the Langan Lake community to create household energy. Leftover "bio-slurry" from the plants is used as organic fertilizer.

"I used to work as a day labourer, carrying rocks at construction sites, to feed my family," says Layla, one of the women trained to cook and run a popular cafeteria using biogas. "Now, I have a good income. This allows me to feed and take care of my family."



Meet Layla, and visit the cafeteria bit.ly/CCFCLayla



CHILDREN'S DREAM PARK

PARAGUAY

150 children and community members helped make the park a reality

4,010 children now enjoy a local park

WHY WE LOVE IT

Children designed the park, helped build it, and inspired community and government participation



Daniela, 8

"I drew a hammock, but my favourite game is the slide because it is big. It was good to see the park with all the games that we drew ourselves."

Thirty children are gathered together in an outdoor workshop. In their hands are ordinary materials found in their community, including recycled tires and pieces of wood. But, what they are doing with the items is extraordinary. The children are learning how to make games from recycled materials for a park they helped design.

The CCFC donor-supported project, called Park of Our Dreams, supports the rights of children in the community of Remansito, Paraguay to play, participate and be protected. It has transformed weedy, abandoned land into a safe, gathering space for children and community members; helped fight community violence and

social exclusion; and inspired community participation and government support.

Over three months, children and adolescents worked closely with a visual artist and architect sharing their ideas for the park through the use of clay models and drawings. Community members worked as part of the construction team, were in charge of the protection of the construction materials, and set up a park committee to be involved in cleaning and maintenance.

The results have been incredible.

The national government in Asunción, the capital city, is interested in expanding the use of recycled tires to similar projects.

And, local government has voiced its interest in installing street lighting around the park and building a second part of the project that will include a small amphitheatre. The success of the project is also evident in the community's response to criminal activity in the park.

In August 2014, vandalism of the park inspired the community to rally together to help rebuild and recreate the damaged games and equipment. The use of recycled materials has reduced the construction costs and made it possible for the community to take ownership of the project.

Today, the park is a place of great pride for the community, and it's a joyful space for families to gather.

(Top left) Children climb recycled tires at park (top right) Clay model of slide (bottom right) Children at workshop learn to make games



FISHING COOPERATIVE

INDIA

Started in four villages
— today it's in 16

850 families are in
the cooperative — 510
have repaid their loans

WHY WE LOVE IT

Children today are the first
in generations of their family
free from “debt slavery”
to moneylenders



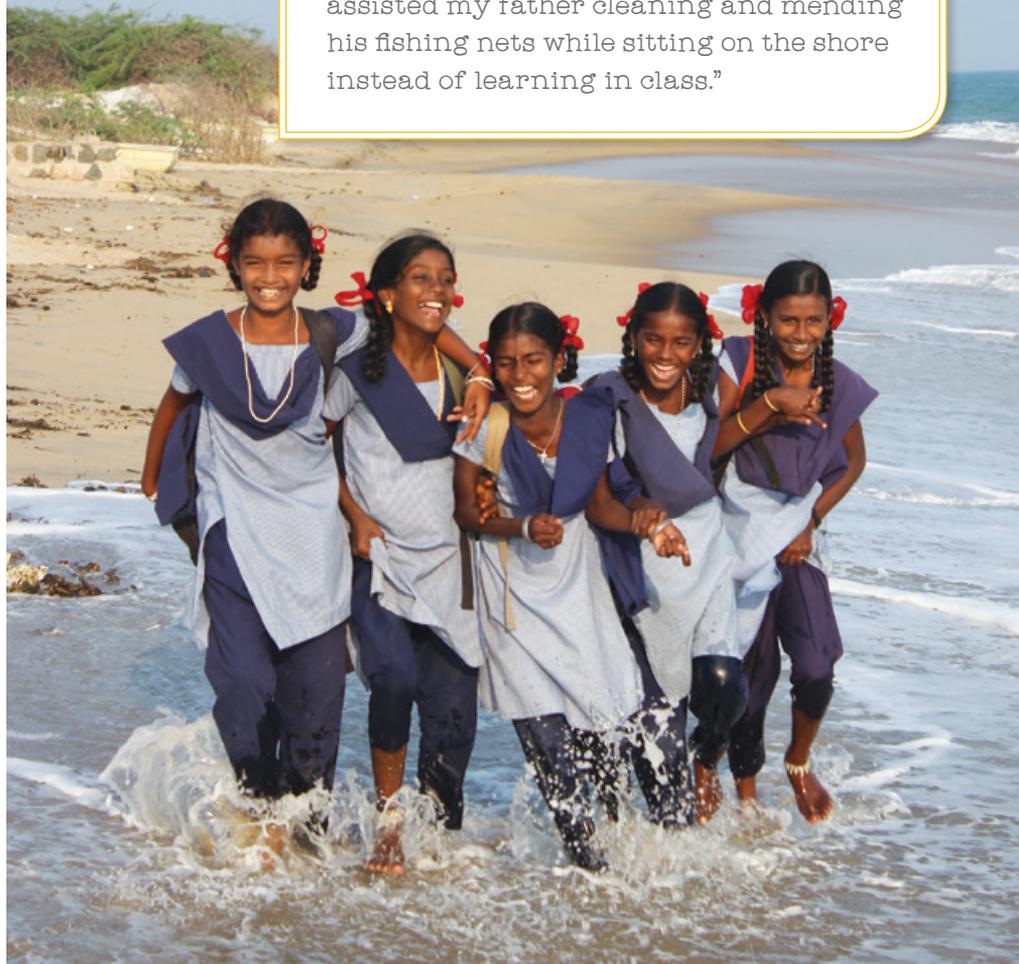
A pile of schoolbags filled with books, notepads and pencils sits in a heap on the sand. Their owners — classmates, including Muniya, 12 — race along the water’s edge waiting for their fathers’ boats to return to shore.

A year ago, instead of attending school, Muniya was assisting her father in cleaning and mending fishing nets. Today, they are among 850 families you’ve helped escape debt bondage to moneylenders that’s trapped fishing families in India for generations.

The short fishing season leaves families without an income for four to six months of each year. To support their families, fishermen often turn to private, unlicensed moneylenders for loans. Instead of charging formal interest, the lenders claim each fishing catch as payment at a price much lower than market

Muniya, 12

“I never imagined I would go back to school again. This program helped my father to repay his debts, otherwise I would have assisted my father cleaning and mending his fishing nets while sitting on the shore instead of learning in class.”



Children of fathers in the fishing cooperative, including Muniya (centre), play on the seashore after school

value, or they claim ownership of the debtor’s boat.

The exorbitant interest leaves fishermen unable to ever fully repay their debt, ensnaring their family in a form of slavery that is passed down from one generation to the next. Indebted families are unable to afford to send their children to school, and children often work with their parents.

With your support, in 2009, CCFC created a fishing cooperative to help fisherman free themselves — and others — from debt.

Here’s how it works: Local Village Development Committees (VDC)

directly pay moneylenders to clear individual debts. Those participating in the cooperative set aside 25 percent of their earnings from each catch, out of which portions are allocated towards loan repayment, common savings that members can access during emergencies, individual savings, and administrative costs for the management and administration of the repayments.

The result: families help free each other from one of the most widespread, yet least known, forms of slavery in the world, and children are able to go to school!



EMPOWERING CHILDREN THROUGH COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

NICARAGUA

800 children aged four to 18 are being inspired to get involved

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42 Youth Council members have sat on City Council

WHY WE LOVE IT

Children of every age group have the opportunity to participate and create change



As City Council debates the merits of a new city park, some young faces — including Harving, 13 — can be seen sitting amongst the politicians. Articulate, smart and funny, he is one of 800 children living in an impoverished neighbourhood on the outskirts of Managua where residents are encouraged, mentored and empowered to make positive changes in their community through a CCFC-supported program.

As part of the program, girls and boys, aged eight to 15, can participate in a Youth Council, which identifies community interests, needs and ideas to share with City Council members during open sessions and with the National Assembly during special sessions.

“My voice is the voice, dreams and aspirations of other teens,” shares Harving, Youth Council president. “Sometimes I feel a little fear, but I know what I have to say is important, because we help authorities perceive the reality and needs from the community perspective.”

Emily, 14, is a Girls Network

representative on the Youth Council. Members of the Girls Network select leaders who plan network activities, including leadership camps, entrepreneurial workshops, talent shows and recreational trips focused on developing their abilities and voice.

“As a representative of others I feel useful and important in my community,” says Emily.

To help engage and inspire children as young as four, the program offers interest groups in sports and the arts, and a Communications Network helps develop speaking, advocacy and other life skills through involvement in local radio programs and other activities.

The result of this innovative community program is engaged, excited and gifted children, thrilled to see the change they are making in their community.

The Youth Council has received local government support for projects, including the construction of parks, pedestrian traffic lights and sewage networks — nurturing their understanding of community responsibility and advocacy.

Emily, 14

“Now I know that I have a voice – and a vote!”



(Left to right) Maria, 14, Emily, 14, and Kenner, 15, are part of a Youth Council



SOLAR-POWERED VILLAGE

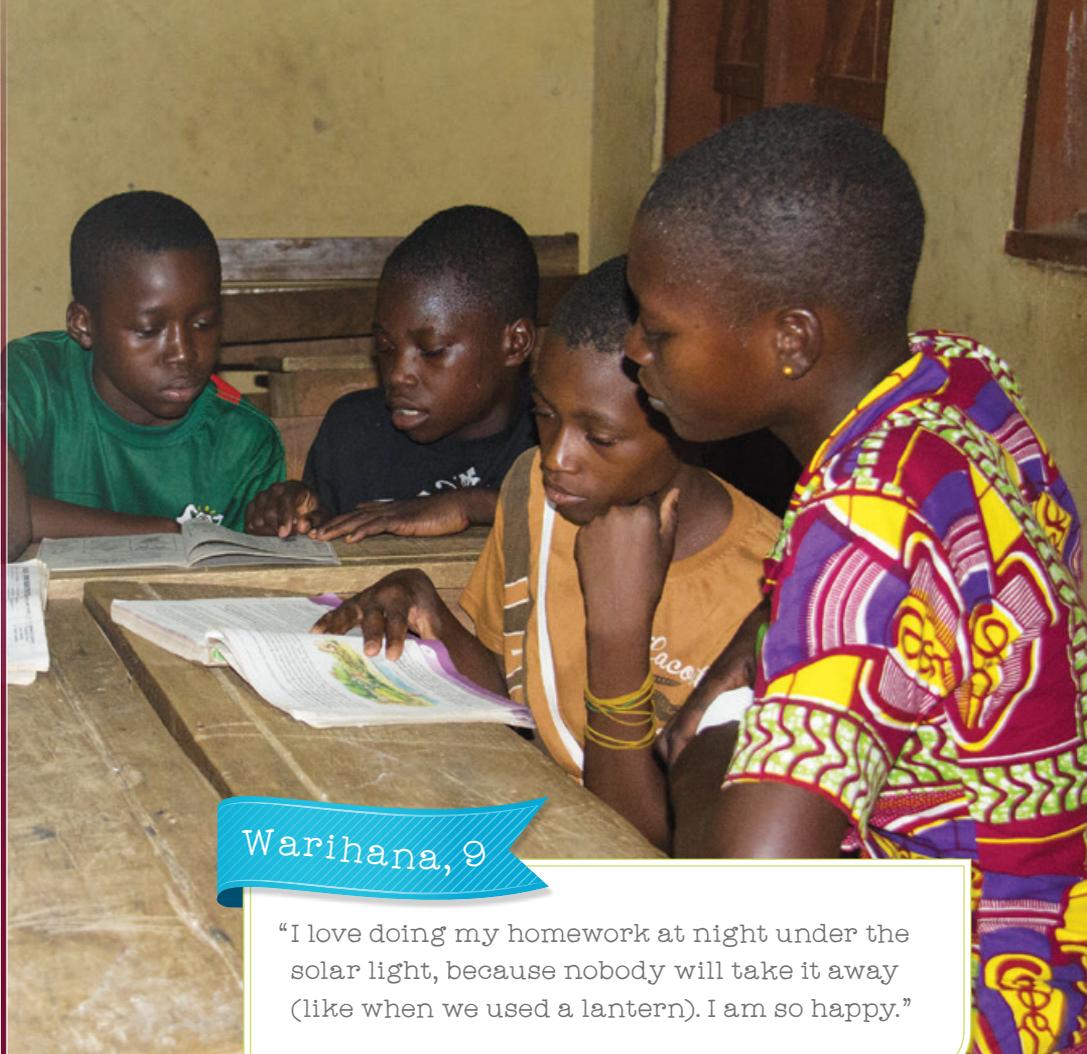
GHANA

At night, 80 children can now read and study at home + 50 additional children can do homework at school

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Clean water is pumped from 3.5 kilometres away

WHY WE LOVE IT

Children are safer travelling at night, can study in the evenings, and have a local source of clean water



Warihana, 9

“I love doing my homework at night under the solar light, because nobody will take it away (like when we used a lantern). I am so happy.”

Students, including Hamdu, 12, (far left) gather under a solar light at night to study at a family home

Inside a small thatched hut, a warm glow reflects on the faces of children gathered under a solar light hanging above. Their books lay open, and the quiet murmur of their voices can be heard as they read their lessons.

Outside, a similar soft light can be seen coming from 100 homes in the small community in Northern Ghana. Accessible only by an unpaved road, one drives by village after village in darkness before discovering this remarkably lit community.

A year ago, the village would have looked the same after dark, with no electricity. But, now, the community comes alive at night with the introduction of solar lights thanks to funding by DUCA Financial Services Credit Union Ltd., the founding donor of the CCFC Innovation Fund.

Children in the community use the lights to study in the evening at home or in the solar-lit school, women are able to cook meals after sunset, families can work on income generation, and there is enhanced community safety. Before, expensive kerosene lamps, flashlights or open fires had to be used for any activities.

This alternative, inexpensive, sustainable solution has also brought clean water to the community. Thanks to the installation of a solar-powered water pump system, water from a well is delivered to the village through more than three kilometres of pipes. The pump is improving access to clean water for both domestic and agricultural use, and villagers have been trained on drip irrigation and gardening management as well as solar energy management.

The introduction of solar power has had a remarkable impact on the community, including 12-year-old Hamdu’s family. “We are no longer afraid of reptiles that creep into our homes, because we can see them,” says Hamdu. “We use the light to study both at school, when we have extra work, or to do our homework at night.” Hamdu’s mother adds, “Each time a child gets sick, the clinic report always used to ask us to feed our children more vegetables, which was very expensive. Thanks to the project, we have been able to cultivate tomatoes, carrots, and alefu (lettuce), improving the health and nutrition of our family.”



REVOLVING SEED PROGRAM

ETHIOPIA

Since 2012, membership has grown from 412 to 1,028 farmers

More than 13,287 kgs of seeds are currently kept in communal storage

WHY WE LOVE IT

Childhood nutrition and food security is improving, and a culture of saving and “paying it forward” is being cultivated



In 2012, CCFC began distributing fertilizer and drought-resistant, high-yielding seed varieties to 416 struggling local farmers living in drought-prone areas. Participating farmers return double the seeds they have been given during the harvest season and save some seeds for the next harvest in a communal storage building built by CCFC. They also

contribute seeds for new groups of farmers to join the project and are encouraged to save 10 percent of their profits in a bank for insurance purposes. If any crop failure occurs, the money is used to replace the lost crop for the whole community — improving the economic and food security of more than 1,000 vulnerable families.



WOMEN AND YOUTH ENTREPRENEURS

INDIA

WHY WE LOVE IT

This pilot project is reducing poverty in Tamil Nadu by supporting women and youth entrepreneurs, and engaging the private sector in development. CCFC is helping organize 300 women and youth to produce, process and market indigenous poultry and eggs — providing training in production, management and marketing. ChildFund Deutschland is supporting the start-up operation of the project.



PROMOTING GENDER AWARENESS

GHANA

WHY WE LOVE IT

Our Village Savings and Loan Associations (VSLAs) help families grow businesses. VSLAs are being used as a platform for change due to the cultural practices of men controlling the resources of women in income-generating programs. At VSLA meetings, men and women are encouraged to discuss domestic violence and the value of industrious females helping to save and support their family.



LEARNING THROUGH PLAY+

ALL COUNTRIES WHERE WE WORK

WHY WE LOVE IT

Learning Through Play+, based on the work of the Hincks-Dellcrest Centre in Toronto, has been a part of CCFC’s program interventions for years. Parents with no formal schooling are taught how to use play to nurture their children’s development. A new pilot project, called Learning Through Play+, will build on our proven successes and add components tailored to each country’s needs, such as improving prenatal care in Ethiopia.

A YEAR TO CELEBRATE

FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

This past year, CCFC was recognized by the *Financial Post* as one of Canada's top 25 charities. CCFC was credited with being among those who stood out when it came to the *Financial Post's* standards for transparency, efficiency and accountability.

The award is a reflection of the dedication of our donors; CCFC staff; Canadian, international and local partners; and CCFC-supported communities. It reflects a shared commitment to excellence, innovation and results.

CCFC is monitoring and measuring change to ensure that every dollar you donate is used to achieve the greatest possible change for children (pages 16-18). We are forging new partnerships, strengthening existing relationships, and finding new ways to bring you information about how your donations are being used (pages 13-15).

In March 2015, I visited Carlos — the child my wife and I sponsor in Nicaragua — for the second time in five years. I hope you'll take a couple of minutes to watch a video of my visit. What you'll see is an inspiring example of how the generosity of donors like you directly impacts more than half a million lives each year.

We are deeply grateful for your loyalty to CCFC and the difference you make in vulnerable children's lives each and every day.



Dr. Douglas Ellenor
Chair of the Board and Child Sponsor
Christian Children's Fund of Canada

OUR VISION

We dream of a world where every child has a voice and the ability to achieve their full potential.

OUR MISSION

To create a future of hope for children, families, and communities by helping them develop the skills and resources to overcome poverty and pursue justice. For more than 50 years, we have followed the example of Christ by serving the poor regardless of their faith, cultural and ethnic background.



Doug with his sponsored child, Carlos, 10, in Nicaragua in 2015

 Meet Doug and Carlos
bit.ly/CCFCCarlos

2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CCFC is thankful for the commitment and counsel of our valued Board of Directors.

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AS OF JUNE 2015

— CCFC'S —

TOP 10

REASONS TO CHEER

10 CCFC NAMED TOP CHARITY

The *Financial Post* named CCFC as one of Canada's top 25 charities! The *Post* analyzed more than 86,000 lines of data from charity returns and measured them up to the "highest standards of accountability, transparency and efficiency."*

9 LAUNCH OF MOBILE-FRIENDLY WEBSITES

In response to donor requests, we've revamped our ccfc.ca website to be mobile-friendly, and we will be launching a donor portal soon so you can review and make changes to your account! To help our field offices share information, we've also created six mobile-friendly country-specific sites!



8 CCFC RECEIVES \$270,000 GRANT

In Ethiopia, CCFC will be helping parents of 3,000 at-risk children learn how to protect and nurture early brain development with the financial support of Grand Challenges Canada and the Government of Canada.

7 CONCERTS BOOST SPONSORSHIPS

Thanks to our partnership with Nova Scotian Celtic band the Barra MacNeils, The Donny and Marie Christmas Tour, and ChildFund International, we found sponsors for 227 children at shows across Canada!

6 COMMUNITY-AID RAMP UP

Burkina Faso's Village Savings and Loans project has blossomed thanks to 1,793 women who raised \$53,664 in 2015, up from \$20,358 in 2014, when 753 women participated.

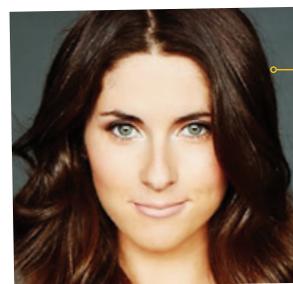
5 HERCULES BUILDS VEGETABLE GARDENS

Our newest corporate partner, Hercules Group of Companies, is investing in the nutritional health of children with vegetable gardens for 300 families in Alexis Arguello, Nicaragua.



4 NEW VOLUNTEER AMBASSADORS

Rachel Bonnetta, social media and television host (*MLS Now*), and Sharon Caddy, SiriusXM radio Host (*What She Said*), join TSN sportscaster James Duthie as CCFC Volunteer Ambassadors. They will promote the urgent needs of those we help.



Rachel Bonnetta



Sharon Caddy

3 WORLD LEADERS AGREE TO FREE!

After three years of campaigning with our ChildFund Alliance partners, the UN has put child protection on the global agenda. This is due, in part, to more than 500,000 people worldwide who have signed our Free from Violence petition!



* Source: "Financial Post's Charities of the Year: Why these 25 are worth your donations (and which ones we're cautious about)," *Financial Post*, December 12, 2014



CAMPAIGN TO ONE MILLION FOR CHILD PROTECTION REACHES \$500,000

Thanks to the generosity of donors, CCFC's Campaign to One Million has raised \$500,000 for child protection — half of our \$1 million goal! Launched in 2014, the Campaign to One Million funds targeted initiatives that will protect vulnerable children around the world from violence, abuse and exploitation.



Some of the funded projects in progress!

Micro-credit, education and health initiatives are being developed to improve the lives of women and children in Surangudi, India

Programs to protect children at risk on the streets are being created in Akaki Kality, Ethiopia

A solar-powered borehole well is being constructed to bring water to six communities in Wantugu, Ghana

Renovations to a school are underway to increase access to education for girls and boys in Nayouri, Burkina Faso

Backyard gardens are being built for 50 families in Estelí, Nicaragua

Help fund the next project

- ▶ Provide education and training on the rights of girls
- ▶ Build private sanitation facilities to keep girls in school and remove the shame and vulnerability of using latrines in open fields
- ▶ Bring professional medical care and training in maternal and neonatal health to reduce infant and maternal mortality rates
- ▶ Build wells close to schools and the community to reduce time spent collecting water, and the vulnerability of women and girls to abuse on their travels

BE A CHAMPION FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN

Join the Campaign to One Million and help us reach \$1 million by March 2016! Your gift of \$500 or more will prevent violence, abuse and exploitation of the world's girls and boys.

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CARING DONORS LIKE YOU

Your support of CCFC protects and improves the lives of children by helping them realize their basic human rights — nutritious food, clean water, health care and education — and we can't thank you enough!



Every donor, and every donation, is something we celebrate — thank you!



CCFC FINANCIALS

We are grateful for the generosity of exceptional donors like you.

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the year-ended March 31 (in thousands of dollars)

	2015	2014
REVENUE		
Sponsorship and Other Contributions	27,511	26,999
Medications/Gifts in Kind	6,196	9,850
Contributions from Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada	2,211	1,885
TOTAL REVENUE	35,918	38,734
EXPENDITURE		
Program Services		
Health and Nutrition	11,223	15,128
Education	8,460	7,482
Strengthening Community Organizations	3,211	3,214
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	1,533	1,567
Sustainable Livelihood Development	1,376	2,570
Emergency Response	1,115	264
Fundraising	5,838	6,057
Support Services	3,397	2,823
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	36,153	39,105
Fair Value Change in Investments	352	165
Excess of Revenue Over Expenditure (Expenditure over Revenue) for the Year	117	(206)

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at March 31 (in thousands of dollars)

	2015	2014
ASSETS		
Current Assets	1,632	1,198
Investments	5,047	4,591
Capital Assets	5,694	5,896
TOTAL ASSETS	12,373	11,685
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities	2,927	1,689
Deferred Contributions	2,631	2,111
Long-term Liabilities	11	1,198
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,569	4,998
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	2,043	1,910
Internally Restricted - Emergency Response Reserve	200	200
Invested in Capital Assets	4,496	4,512
Endowment	65	65
TOTAL NET ASSETS	6,804	6,687
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	12,373	11,685

For CCFC's detailed independently audited Financial Statements, go to:
ccfcanada.ca/about-us/financials



- 41%** EDUCATION
- 24%** HEALTH AND NUTRITION*
- 16%** STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
- 7%** WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE
- 7%** SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT
- 5%** EMERGENCY RESPONSE

*Excludes medications



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GLOBAL IMPACT

Highlights from around the world



Your generosity means everything to those touched by your support – thank you!



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

Trained **5,000** children, women and men in critical water safety and sanitation practices



Constructed or improved **82** TOILETS, LATRINES, SOAKAWAYS and other sanitation facilities



90 clean water sources built or enhanced, including wells, water points, boreholes, rainwater harvesting tanks and taps



Health and Nutrition

DELIVERED **2,017,053** ANTI-PARASITIC MEDICATION CAPSULES TO CHILDREN



Provided **42,472** pregnant mothers with nutritional supplements, such as iron and vitamin A



39,969 CHILDREN RECEIVED NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT AND/OR FOOD RATIONS



35,232 people attended preventative health training sessions on topics such as malaria and HIV/AIDS prevention

GAVE **36,142** CHILDREN

AN ANNUAL HEALTH/DENTAL CHECK-UP



Education

PROVIDED **71,035 CHILDREN** AT **552 SCHOOLS**, WITH **308,726** PENS, PENCILS, UNIFORMS AND BOOKS



115,934 STUDENTS, PARENTS, TEACHERS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS WERE EDUCATED IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, CHILD RIGHTS, AND CHILD PROTECTION

75,879 CHILDREN & YOUTH

participated in after-school activities



Training in marketable skills and the importance of an inclusive education for all was given to

21,583 parents and community members

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538,000 children, youth and community members benefited from CCFC support

49,010 children sponsored



Photo by Philip Maher



Strengthening Community Organizations

5

COMMUNITIES GRADUATED FROM CCFC SUPPORT

TRAINED 5,357

community group members to improve living conditions at the grassroots level



Improved the ability of communities to respond to disasters — reaching **58,399** people through campaigns and



5,488 through training

Increased awareness of child rights and protection — reaching

197,424 people through educational campaigns



+8,822 children and youth



and **6,424** parents and community members through training



Sustainable Livelihood Development



PROVIDED INCOME-GENERATING ACTIVITIES TO **10,623**

YOUTH, WOMEN AND MEN

104

Income-generating activities created in communities, such as:

- **Youth Training Programs**
- **Village Savings and Loans Associations**

1,633 TOOLS, SUPPLIES AND PIECES OF EQUIPMENT PROVIDED TO YOUTH TO START THEIR OWN BUSINESSES



FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
APRIL 1, 2014 - MARCH 31, 2015



DISASTER RESPONSE UPDATE

It's been nearly two years, but the effects of Typhoon Haiyan (aka Typhoon Yolanda) continue to be felt in the Philippines where 14-million people were affected, more than 6,000 were killed and four million were displaced.

Following the initial response, Christian Children's Fund of Canada supported child protection, education and livelihood development initiatives in the Leyte province. This is thanks to \$63,000 in donations from Canadians and a \$950,000 grant from Canada's Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development. The grant has funded:

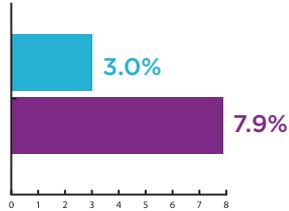
- More than **1,500** livelihood kits — namely sewing machines, tractors and more — which were distributed to **3,990** families
- The implementation of temporary learning spaces for **2,244** children
- The refurbishment of **34** daycare centres, including the distribution of benches, tables, fans and more
- The training of **224** educators to deliver elementary education in emergencies through multi-grade teaching and alternative delivery methods

MEASURING CHANGE

We collected baseline data (our starting point) in 2012/2013, and this year we followed up in every country we work. Below is a sample of the progress we've made:

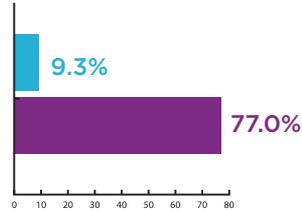
EARLY CHILDHOOD | 0-5 YEARS

BURKINO FASO



The number of children in CCFC-supported communities in Burkino Faso attending early childhood education programs.

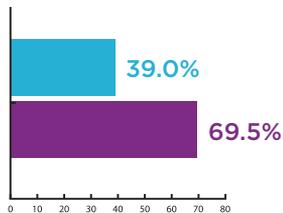
ETHIOPIA



The number of births attended by registered health professionals in CCFC-supported communities.

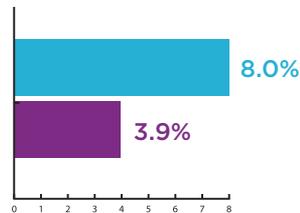
GROWTH YEARS | 6-14 YEARS

PARAGUAY



The number of children in CCFC-supported communities who report having opportunities to express their voice in decisions that concern them.

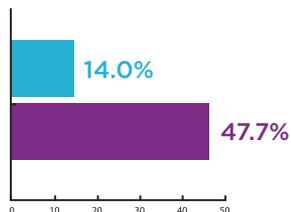
INDIA



The number of children who have reported experiencing social and systemic barriers to education in CCFC-supported communities.

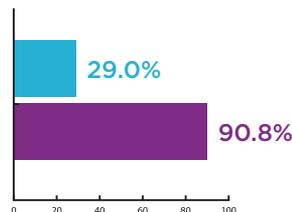
YOUTH | 15+ YEARS

GHANA



The number of youth in CCFC-communities who have successfully completed vocational training offered through our local partners.

NICARAGUA



The number of children and youth in CCFC-supported communities who belong or are welcome to join a club or social group.

■ 2012/2013 ■ 2014/2015

More than 30 partners deliver outstanding programs

CCFC works closely with local partners who help us deliver our programs. The children, family and friends we help are part of a country they love. Their understanding of community needs, and deeply personal investment in achieving change, is a big reason why our programs make such a positive, lasting difference. Below are some of our long-standing partnerships.

BURKINA FASO

- Eglise des Assemblées de Dieu (1987)
- Eglise Evangélique de la Société Internationale Missionnaire (1991)

ETHIOPIA

- Wolaitta Kale Hiwet Church Terepeza Development Association (1987)
- Bole Bible Baptist Church (1993)

GHANA

- Markaz Al Bishara (1997)
- Tuma Kavi Development Association (1997)

INDIA

- Society for Peoples' Education and Economic Change - SIVAKASI (1995)
- Deenabandu Fellowship (1999)

NICARAGUA

- Centro de Apoyo a Programas y Proyectos (1996)
- Movimiento Infantil Luis Alfonso Velázquez Flores (2008)

PARAGUAY

- Fundación Dequeni (1997)
- FortaleSer (2009)



In Paraguay, partners are part of the Free From Violence campaign

Children say THANKS... for the difference you've made!

"Thank you for making our Children's Dream Park come true!"

— CHILDREN ATTENDING THE CHILDREN'S DREAM PARK INAUGURATION



"I am happy that my mother no longer has to carry rocks at construction sites to [make money to] feed us; it used to make her very tired. Since she started working in the cafeteria she is happy."

— DAWIT, 9

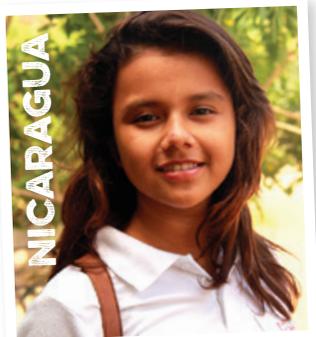
"I am thankful for the wonderful gift of water. It used to be so far away and dried up during the dry season. Now the water is in the community, and it is so clean. God richly bless (*nawuni deimi suhugu*) the donor."

— WARIHANA, 9



"If my family had not joined the fishing cooperative we would have been indebted to the moneylender for a very long time. Thank you for helping give me an opportunity to go back to school!"

— MICHAEL, 11



"I feel great [being a member of the Girls Network and Youth Council], because I can share the thoughts and positions of others. It's also great to realize that what we say can be implemented!"

— EMILY, 14



"Thanks to the Super Garden, we are taught how to grow vegetables. I thank all the people who helped us get this Super Garden. This is more than a garden for us."

— WAONGO, 15



Children thank you
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Give a Gift *and* Save a Life this Christmas!



If you're looking for a unique gift that provides help and hope, consider one of 37 selections from Christian Children's Fund of Canada's (CCFC) *Gifts of Joy* catalogue. Many of the gifts have **five times the impact** on children's lives, thanks to government-matching contributions.*

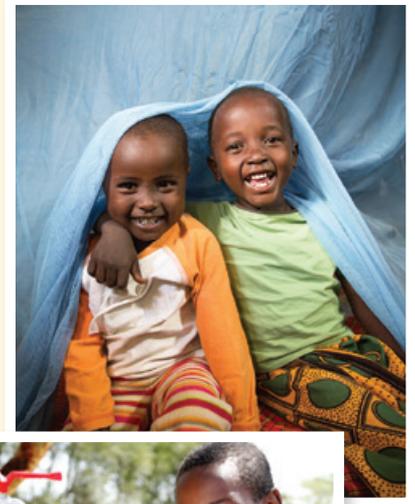
The new Anti-Malaria medicine and Bed-Nets bundle shields up to eight people from infections due to mosquito bites and offers life-saving anti-malaria medication for children who are most vulnerable to the disease. **This \$55 gift is multiplied 5X for a \$275 impact!**

Our Clean Water Project gives children, families and communities access to clean water in classrooms or at a community well. **For \$75, this gift is multiplied 5X for a \$375 impact.**

Also consider a share in a Motorcycle Ambulance, as every minute counts in an emergency. **This \$150 gift is multiplied 5X for a \$750 impact!**

▶ Visit ccfcanda.ca/gift-catalogue or call 1-800-263-5437, ext. 610, to purchase a gift through our catalogue today.

* The Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD) supports the international work of Canadian organizations, which reduce poverty in developing countries. Combined contributions from the Canadian government and CCFC supporters have five times the power to help families.



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