

Water For Cameroon - Annual Report 2015

Board membership:

John Young joined the Board in November.

Funding:

80% of the income of €29,561 in the year came from gifts and offerings and 20% from local fund-raising activities (ladies mini-marathon, a car boot sale and a BBQ). Expenditure was €25,059, resulting in an increase in funds in hands of €4502.

Visits during year:

The project manager visited Cameroon three times during the year, visiting various communities and following up on the work that takes place throughout the year.

- March 21st to April 28th Total of 38 days
- August 1st to August 22nd Total of 20 days
- November 30th to December 21st Total of 22 days

Volunteers:

Experienced development practitioners Jerry Ohz and Don Williams also visited several times during 2015. They conducted training on the use of Drip Irrigation for family gardens.

Additional Cameroonian partners:

Water for Cameroon continues to seek out like-minded Cameroonian NGO's to partner with. Discussions were commenced in 2015 with Rotary Canada and with the Cameroon Association for Bible Translation & Literacy (CABTAL) with regard to WFC partnering with them on specific projects they are working on.

Well construction:

A total of seven wells were constructed in 2015 including a narrow bore well trial in the quarter of Missi. It was decided not to use this type again. A rope and bucket well was constructed in the quarter of Bechu.

Pump fitting:

Afridev pumps were fitted to three existing wells which had been using a rope and bucket system to retrieve water from the wells.

Bio Sand Filters:

Filters were installed in a training centre in Bamenda and also in a number of rural homes. The filters are constructed and installed by Cameroonians who have been trained by Water for Cameroon.

Health Promotion:

The Canadian organisation Centre for Affordable Water and Sanitation Technology (CAWST) conducted a five day training workshop for Health promoters. More than twenty participants took part in the workshop. Many were from other NGO's and valued the opportunity to receive high level training. See video https://youtu.be/rZ_xPue8Sj8 in which Dr. Aaron Tanner explains the training.