

Water for Cameroon - Annual Report 2017

Funding:

Total income in 2017 amounted to €16,120. Of this, over €8600 was received from funding partners who were funding specific projects. Other gifts and offerings raised nearly €3800. Three fundraising events took place during 2017 in Ireland: a ladies mini marathon, a car boot sale and a BBQ, together raising €3680.

Expenditure amounted to €21,280, of which

- €4277 was sent to Water For Cameroon Ngoketunjia who support Health Promoters in the Ndop area and sponsor the production of bio-sand filters for needy families and schools etc.;
- €8095 was given to implementation partners for specific projects;
- Team visit costs (including flights from Ireland and in-country travel and accommodation costs for our project manager) amounted to €4474;
- €3561 was spent in the purchase of pumps and other supplies needed for well-digging;
- €874 was spent on administration costs, including skype calls to Cameroon, bank service charges and rent for a store in Ndop for equipment.

Overall, expenditure exceeded income by €5162, resulting in a balance of €8,498 on hands at the end of 2017.

Governance:

The Board met on 3 occasions during 2017. A public meeting was held in Grace Bible Fellowship's building in Pearse Street, Dublin 2 on 6 February 2017 to report on the work to date of Water For Cameroon (WfC).

Visits during year:

The project manager visited Cameroon twice during the year visiting various communities and following up on the work that takes place throughout the year. He has now visited Cameroon 25 times in all.

- March for 26 days
- November for 28 days

Well construction:

A total of 3 wells were constructed in 2017: 2 in Boyo in partnership with Covenant World Relief, and we assisted in the construction of another well and latrine in Boyo which was privately funded by American friends. 3 hand pumps were supplied and fitted for existing wells.

Bio Sand Filters:

The Bio Sand Filter micro businesses in Cameroon are progressing. It is estimated that 40 filters were constructed during 2017. The filters are constructed and installed by Cameroonians who have been trained by Water for Cameroon.

Health Promotion:

Health promotion is an important part of the work of Water for Cameroon. Health promoters (funded by WfC through Water for Cameroon Ngoketunjia) visit householders in rural settings. An independent consultant, who has been approved by WfC, reports a positive impact within households where health promotion training has been given.

The Ndop Shop:

This shop carries a stock of quality materials for sale to well technicians and continues to make steady progress as a centre for demonstrating clean water and drip-irrigation technology.

Other places in Cameroon:

This year Water for Cameroon has received more invitations to participate with communities in other Divisions and Regions of Cameroon. The project manager visited a number of these places in 2017.

Cameroon Medical:

Cameroon Medical partners with WfC. During 2017, Cameroon Medical helped 15 individuals / families to have medical treatment that they would not otherwise have been able to afford.

See www.waterforcameroon.com for more information.

CRA No 20081799

CHY No 20583.