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Together we can change the world

Fusion

Hanging in a tree to get a mobile phone signal? That is the order of the day for many in Senanga in the Western province of Zambia. Villages have designated trees to climb in order to catch a mobile phone signal. But as batteries run out these same villagers walk for hours to a nearby town blessed with a generator to charge their precious phones.

Most will use the “Please Call Me” system, a popular cultural form of mobile communication in African society. This practice of calling someone and hanging up after a ring or two are a signal for the recipient to call someone back when the caller is low on airtime or, most likely, to save money.



This is the new Africa. A fascinating fusion of old style rural subsistence with elements of modern day technology. But things are changing. With the help of ADRA some of these poorest families have set up bank accounts to receive their quarterly cash injection, part of an innovative poverty alleviation project implemented with the European Commission. Next to their precious mobile phone they now carry a new vividly coloured plastic bankcard, even though the nearest ATM is 500 kilometres away. While charging their mobile phone the beneficiaries will visit the local bank to draw out money that is now used to buy live stock, seeds, tools to work the land, food, to help children go to school, and set up micro businesses – things that can help them to escape the cycle of poverty.

Fusion is a process of blending things together to create something new. Perhaps development is also a process of fusion that helps create a new existence for those in need. By giving poor people the resources, skills and opportunities they need to meet their basic needs, they can then transform their lives. Fusion at its best.

Bert Smit CEO

Who are we

The Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA-UK) is an independent humanitarian agency established by the Seventh-day Adventist Church for the specific purpose of individual and community development and disaster relief. The registered office is located in Watford, Hertfordshire. ADRA-UK is a registered charity in the UK and Scotland.

ADRA-UK partners with agencies in over 25 countries as well as projects in the United Kingdom. In 2008, we provided development and relief programmes valued at £1,943,362 pounds. ADRA-UK uses its resources effectively, keeping administrative cost down.

ADRA recognises the dignity that is inherent in each person and is committed to improving the quality of human life. It serves people without regard to their ethnic, political, or religious association. It helps those in need, especially those most vulnerable such as women and children.

ADRA-UK is part of the ADRA international network operating in approximately 120 countries. As one of the leading non-governmental relief and development organisations in the world, the Agency was granted General Consultative Status by the United Nations in 1997.



What we do

ADRA works in more than 120 countries. Our relief and development programmes have the following focus:

Disaster Relief
Community Farming
Water Resources
Enterprise Development
Environment
Civil Society Development

Maternal/Child Health
Food Aid
Education and Training
Gender
Community and Institutional Development



Our people

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ADRA works with people in poverty and distress to create just and positive change through empowering partnerships and responsible action

Madagascar

Alleviating Poverty Through Improved Livelihood and Health in Fandriana

Donors: European Commission, ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 1,400 direct, 4,125 indirect
Start date: 1 May 2006
Duration: 36 months
Status: In progress

Papua New Guinea

Partnerships for Civil Society Adult Education Initiatives.

Donors: DFID, ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 1,500 direct, 28,500 indirect
Start date: 1 April 2006
Duration: 36 months
Status: In progress

Burkina Faso

Teng-Koglogo Project 'Protection of the Earth'

Donors: European Commission, ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 12,123 direct
Start date: 1 June 2007
Duration: 36 months
Status: In progress

Somalia

Somalia Energy and Livelihood project (SELP)

Donors: European Commission, ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 14,600 direct, 267,000 indirect
Start date: 1 November 2007
Duration: 36 months
Status: In progress

Burma/Myanmar

Food Insecurity Reduction

Donors: European Commission, ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 1,350 direct, 16,650 indirect
Start date: First quarter 2008
Duration: 36 months
Status: In progress

Burma/Myanmar

Labutta Cyclone Response Phase I

Donors: DFID, ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 30,000 direct
Start date: 4 June 2008
Duration: 2 months, extended to 4 months
Status: Project completed. Reporting in progress.

Zambia

Improving Food security of vulnerable people in Senanga District

Donors: European Commission, ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 1,000 direct and 6,000 indirect
Start date: February 2008
Duration: 24 months
Status: In progress

Burma/Myanmar

Labutta Cyclone Relief, Pond Cleaning in Pyinsalu

Donors: DFID
Beneficiaries: 65,000 direct
Start date: 21 July 2008
Duration: 2 months, extended to 4 months
Status: In progress

Sri Lanka

Ampara Community Empowerment (ACE)

Donors: ADRA International, ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 2,000 direct
Start date: April 2007
Duration: 24 months
Status: In progress

Mali

Water and Education for a Long Life (WELL)

Donors: ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 48,000 indirect
Start date: June 2007
Duration: 12 months
Status 31/12/07: Completed

Togo

Water for Health Project

Donors: ADRA-UK
Beneficiaries: 13,500 indirect
Start date: June 2007
Duration: 12 months
Status 31/12/07: Completed

UK

ASNA Educational Grant and Special Needs Camp support

Mali

DRIP irrigation pilot project

Burkina Faso

CAFORMA Agricultural Training Institute support

Lesotho

'Bruce Baisden Garden Project' support



Audited

We have audited the financial statements of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency – UK for the year ended 31 December 2008, on which the accompanying summarised financial statements, consisting of balance sheets and the related statements of financial activity, are derived.

The preparation of these summarised financial statements is the responsibility of the Trustees.

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether these summarised financial statements are consistent with the financial statements issued for the year.

Basis of our opinion

We conducted our annual audit in accordance with International Auditing Standards (UK and Ireland). In our report dated 24 June 2009, we expressed an opinion as to whether the financial statements from which these summarised financial statements are derived presented fairly in all material respects the financial position of ADRA-UK as at the end of each year, and the results of its operations for each year, in conformity with United Kingdom generally accepted accounting practice.

We have assessed whether the accompanying summarised financial statements are consistent with the annual financial statements for the relevant years.

Opinion

In our opinion, the summarised financial statements referred to above are consistent with the annual financial statements of ADRA-UK, for the year ended 31 December 2008.

Colledge Redfern
Chartered Certified Accountants
Registered Auditors
2 Nascot Street, Watford
Herts, WD17 4RB
Date: 24 June 2009

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2008 – ADRA-UK

Income and Expenditure	Total 2008 funds (£)	Total 2007 funds (£)
Incoming resources from generated funds		
• Grants received	1,165,821	1,358,173
• Other voluntary income	330,508	420,511
• Activities for generating funds	635,334	635,486
Investment income	58,709	46,548
Incoming resources from charitable activities	-	1000
Other incoming resources	-	19
Total incoming resources	2,190,372	2,461,737
Resources Expended		
Cost of generating funds	117,478	141,406
Charitable activities	1,943,362	1,697,723
Governance cost	4,980	11,724
Total resources expended	2,065,820	1,850,853
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of investments	(40,944)	(11,805)
Net incoming resources for the year	83,608	599,079
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2008	2,713,843	2,114,764
Balances carried forward at 31 December 2008	2,797,451	2,713,843

Balance Sheet 31 December 2008 – ADRA-UK

	2008	2008	2007	2007
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets		25,314		16,472
Fixed asset investments		125,000		165,852
Current assets				
Debtors	51,124		49,685	
Cash at bank and in hand	2,616,808		2,530,490	
	2,667,932		2,580,175	
Creditors				
Amounts falling due within a year	(20,795)		(48,656)	
Net current assets		2,647,137		2,531,519
Total assets less current liabilities		2,797,451		2,713,843
Charity funds				
Restricted funds		1,695,718		1,945,189
Unrestricted funds		1,101,733		768,654
Total funds		2,797,451		2,713,843

The full annual accounts, audited by Colledge Redfern are available upon request.

House to House Collection Audited Figures Year Ending 31st December 2008

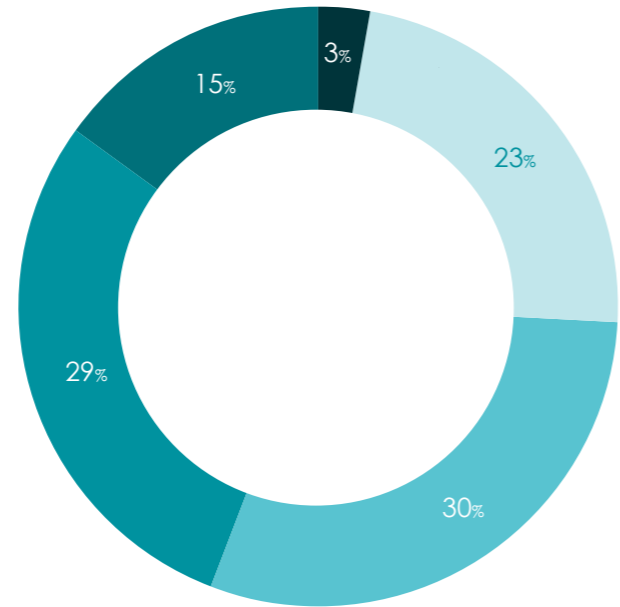
Income and Expenditure Account	2008	2008	2007	2007
Proceeds from collectors				
Donations sent to Office				
South England	358,911.86		355,654.91	
North England	225,803.69		237,854.73	
Wales	14,414.31		18,406.29	
Gift Aid	14,503.93			
Scotland	11,064.48		6,169.10	
Northern Ireland	10,635.11		17,400.83	
		635,333.38		635,485.86
Expenses				
Printing and Stationary		65,451.16		53,578.95
Available for Projects		569,822.22		581,906.91

The full statement, audited by Myers Clark is available upon request.



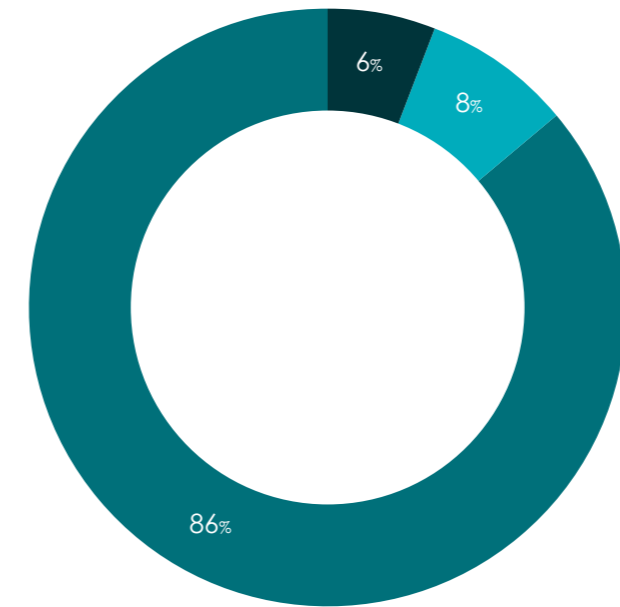
Income

DFID	£ 509,829
EC	£ 655,992
Annual Appeal	£ 635,334
Donations	£ 330,508
Other Grants	£ 58,709
Total	£ 2,190,372



Outgoings

Fundraising	£ 117,478
Management & General	£ 173,712
Programme Services	£ 1,774,630



Note worthy

ADRA-UK focuses primarily on sustainable, long-term development projects and on providing immediate relief to communities affected by disaster, by working in partnership with private donors and with government entities such as the UK Department for International Development (DFID) and the European Commission.

During 2008, the agency supported 24 development and relief projects benefitting directly over 200,000 people in 18 countries across the world.

In the aftermath of cyclone Nargis that hit Myanmar ADRA-UK participated in a network wide emergency response and secured funding from DFID for two projects in the delta.

The charity amended on the 18th of September 2008 the constitution making constructive changes to the governance and some adjustments to its objectives.

The principal object of the charity is to apply financial, material, and technical resources toward:

- the relief of poverty, sickness and distress of those in need, resulting from the effects of war, famine or any other natural or man-made disaster anywhere in the world;
- to address the long term effects of poverty;
- the education of the public concerning the causes, effects and means of alleviation of poverty and distress.



Thanks to ADRA

'I am very grateful to ADRA for the training that I received.

I would encourage my fellow women to insist on improved cook stoves since they are cheap, environmental friendly and significantly reduce charcoal consumption per family per month.'

Farah, Somaliland:

'Before I didn't know how to calculate the cost of the materials I bought, now I do and I know how to calculate the mark up I need to make a profit.'

Literacy student in Goroka, PNG:

'Now that I am literate, I now run a private taxi service for my community.'

Literacy project student, PNG:

'Thanks to ADRA and the goats we received we can now make a living.'

Farmer in Burma (Myanmar):



Places

Emergency Response:

Burma/Myanmar,
China,
Ukraine,
Nepal,
India,
Zimbabwe,
Congo,
Kenya,
Chat

Development:

Burma/Myanmar,
Papua New Guinea,
Niger,
Burkina Faso,
Togo,
Mali,
UK,
Somalia,
Madagascar,
Zambia,
Lesotho



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