

# Boundless Potential

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**REPORT**  

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**2022**

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# GLOBAL Impact

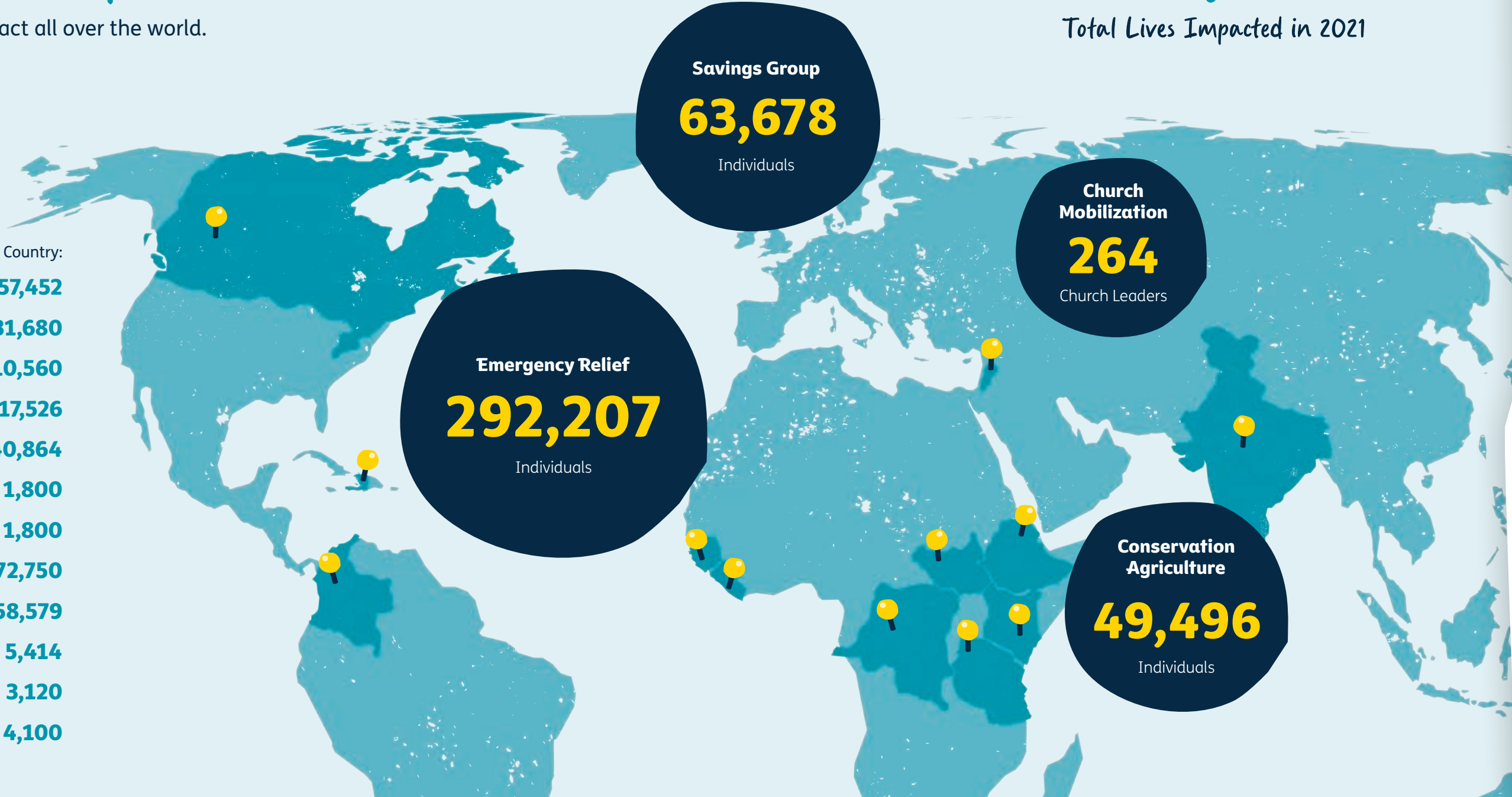
You are having an impact all over the world.

# 405,645

Total Lives Impacted in 2021

Individuals Impacted by Country:

- Ethiopia 57,452
- India 31,680
- Tanzania 10,560
- DRC 17,526
- Kenya 40,864
- Liberia 1,800
- Sierra Leone 1,800
- South Sudan 72,750
- Lebanon 158,579
- Colombia 5,414
- Haiti 3,120
- Canada First Nation 4,100



## Message from the CEO

Immense, unfathomable, limitless. How can we describe the magnitude and awesomeness of our God? And for some reason, in his wisdom, God chose us to participate with him in his grand redemptive story.

The church is unstoppable because God is unstoppable. It isn't perfect—by no means! But God is using you and the local church to change the world.

Over the last year you have been part of changing lives. By equipping and empowering local churches across Africa and Asia, families are realizing a future free from physical and spiritual poverty.

You have helped us to respond to more disasters at once than ever before in our history. Helping save lives through the provision of food, water, and other necessities.

We continue to hear countless stories of personal transformation in the lives of families around the world. They thank you for the tools and training you have provided so that they can lift their families out of poverty, send their children to school, and look towards a future of hope and possibility.

It's impossible to pack all the impact you've helped create into a single report. But we hope that it gives you a taste of the difference you are making. And together, with you, with local leaders, and the local church, we look forward to seeing more lives changed in 2022.

*We can't wait to see what God will do.*

With deep gratitude,



*Wayne*  
**Wayne Johnson**  
Executive Director & CEO

# YOU'RE STANDING Alongside the Local Church

The church is unstoppable because God is unstoppable. Through Tearfund, you're partnering with local churches to create real change and lead their communities to a future of hope and opportunity.

## Stories of Change Life in the Desert

There is dust everywhere and the land is dry. But surprisingly, there are plants around Mghalhelezi parish. "By God's grace I have been here for 3 years now." Reverend Mathayo Mika says.

Last year your gifts played a crucial role helping churches in central Tanzania meet the physical and spiritual needs beyond their walls. Because of the arid landscape, families struggle to have enough to eat. The dry season lasts for 8 months, but the food only lasts six. In the midst of this, the local church is providing hope.

**'We began with 3 people in the church who were trained in conservation agriculture. But now there are many more. The church is continuing to mobilize the community and more people have been joining in.'**

With your help, churches like Reverend Mathayo's have established example farms to model the benefits of conservation agriculture to local villagers. Specifically designed for dry climates, the training pays off, helping farmers grow 2-3X more food for their families. In doing so, the church starts taking a leadership role in the community, meeting not only physical needs, but showing the love of Christ as well.

"Some people we serve struggle to keep the faith." But because of the church, people are realizing that it isn't just about saying the right things, but living a life transformed.



📍 A local congregation leaving church after Sunday service in Tanzania. Last year, donors like you partnered with churches around the world to help lead families out of physical and spiritual poverty.

Photo: Brian Ongoro

In 2021:



122

churches were empowered to reach out into their communities



264

church leaders were equipped in holistic ministry



20X

churches in Ethiopia were 20X more likely to display acts of compassion after training

## Bringing Back the Buffalo A Ministry of Reconciliation and Love

On December 13th, the Buffalo returned to the Cote First Nation in Saskatchewan for the first time in over 150 years. In partnership with a ministry of YWAM, called Loko Koa, the initiative aims to initiate reconciliation and long-term friendship with our First Nation neighbours by helping restore an important symbol of cultural identity while also providing a nutritional source of lean protein. Cote First Nation is providing 900 acres of land, fencing, and feed for the project.

**'Seven years ago, a herd of 22 buffalo were given by Loko Koa and a group of non-native Christians to the Peepeekisis people. This really softened people to hearing the message of Jesus. And has opened doors.'**

**The buffalo have become a tangible symbol of reconciliation for our people. It has given our people, both young and old, a sense of pride. It has helped us lift our heads up.'**

**Pastor Bill Desnomie**

First Nation Pastor of LOV Ministries & Former Peepeekisis First Nation Band Council member.



# YOU'RE HELPING Feed Families

Last year COVID-19, conflict, and a changing climate reversed progress made in recent years and pushed many families back into extreme hunger and malnutrition. But thanks to your help - we're pushing back. Last year you helped us not only meet immediate food needs but also set families on a path to having enough food for the future.

## In 2021:



**1,644 metric tons**

of food was distributed to families in disaster situations - that's the weight of **138** fully loaded dump trucks!



**13,900 farmers**

were trained in new farming methods - increasing their yields 2 to 3 times



**7,000 acres**

of land were farmed - nearly the same area as **4,000** soccer fields



**45,396 people**

had access to more food - **5** people every hour throughout the year.



📍 A farmer in the DR Congo harvesting her thriving cassava. Nutritious and easy to grow, cassava farms are helping many families have more to eat and escape poverty.

Photo: Arlette Bashizi

## Stories of Change

### Dancing For Joy

"Wooo!" the cheers ring out as Ndikilii performs one of Kenya's traditional dances for us. She gives a big smile. Although advanced in years, the dancing makes her feel young again. She is happy to celebrate and tell the dramatic difference the market gardens and savings groups have made in her life.



Until recently, Ndikilii has lived in poverty. She lives in Makueni county, a region which has one of the highest poverty rates in Kenya. Most live off the land as farmers, but the area is prone to frequent droughts and food shortages. Families cope by skipping meals, selling belongings at reduced prices, foraging for roots, or selling charcoal.

Although elderly and a widow, Ndikilii is tenacious. With the help of donors like you, she enrolled in Tearfund's new gardening and savings group project and began to learn how to grow more vegetables in the arid region. She started selling those vegetables and through saving in a savings group eventually was able to buy goats and even build a bigger house! "Many other group members have also bought goats," she tells us.

Thanks to you, families across Kenya and other places are being provided with opportunities to lift themselves out of poverty and towards a future of hope.

🗨️ 'Canadian people, we're so grateful for the gifts and support you've given to our group. I've grown bigger and smarter as a result of the group. I've laughed and my eyes are filled with tears of joy.'

Ndikilii

# A FUTURE OF OPPORTUNITY

Thanks to you!

Every single person has been created with gifts and potential. But poverty can trick people into feeling like there is no way out. Through savings groups, business mentoring, and farmer co-ops, you provided families with the tools to help them slowly climb out of poverty using their own two hands and see a future of hope and opportunity.

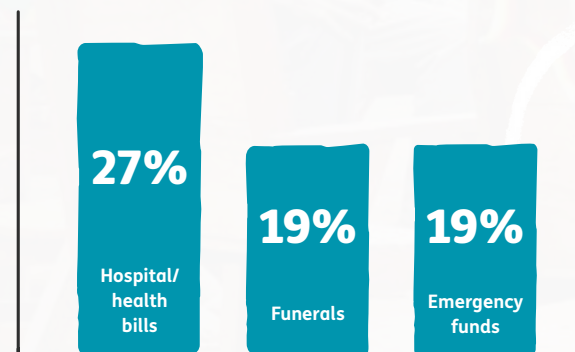
## Daring to Dream

Savings groups are more than just a place to save, they bring newfound hope. Not only do groups focus on the participants but also have a social fund to help others in their community. Below are the top three ways funds are used.

### Individual Funds



### Social Fund



☑ Saving groups in Ethiopia like this one have helped members start new businesses, build new homes, expand their farms, and send children to college. Thanks to you, these groups have quietly transformed hundreds of villages.

Photo: Arete Photography

### In 2021:



**1,202**

new savings groups were organized



**10,613**

families were enrolled in savings groups



**63,678**

individuals took their first steps out of poverty

## Stories of Change

### A Smile That Shines

Masika's smile bursts through the colourful cloth as she tells us how the savings group changed her life. "I used to go work in the field every day but all we could get was just enough to eat. Since I took part in the group, I have been able to buy a sewing machine," she says.



Only 24 years old, Masika's life has already seen more hardship than most. She lives with her husband and four children in the province of North Kivu in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Here, 75% of families survive on one meal a day and 68% of children are chronically malnourished. But through savings groups, donors like you are helping Masika change her future.

The groups are incredibly popular. Our original goal was to organize 70 savings groups last year in the area, but families were so eager for savings that 130 groups were formed! Masika heard about the group through a friend who had her own life transformed.

"In the group we learn how to save money, how to grow crops efficiently, and how to breed and raise small livestock. At the end of this year we plan to buy a goat with our savings. And after that, we will buy a plot of land where we can live," she tells us.

Thanks to your donations, over the last three years 6,500 households in North Kivu have been changed by these simple, cost effective groups.

☞ 'Thanks to the group, my children are able to study without any problems. I ask God to bless the people who started these groups, because it helps us a lot.'

Masika

# THANK YOU FOR INVESTING IN Women and Girls

Gender imparity cripples communities. Gender abuse, violence and disrespect contravenes God's idea of partnership. Last year you helped equip and empower thousands of women and girls, providing them with confidence and putting them on a path to abundance. When women thrive, the community thrives.



**314,740**

women and girls were empowered in 2021



**51,720**

women were part of savings groups



**23,460**

individuals were involved sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) reduction programs in South Sudan and Colombia



**206**

church and community leaders have been trained in SGBV trauma rehabilitation

Time and time again studies have shown that when women are equipped and provided opportunity the whole community benefits. Through Tearfund, you've helped thousands of women provide their children with a brighter future.

Photo: Arlette Bashizi

## Stories of Change A New Roar



A roaring gas motor may be annoying for some but to Hanna Kamara it is the best noise in the world. It is the sound of empowerment.

With a brutal legacy of civil war, Ebola, and extreme poverty, life in Sierra Leone is painful. And it is particularly difficult for women and girls. Often treated as inferior, women are silenced and denied decision making authority. Often they are abused, conflicting with God's idea of image-bearing and partnership. "Before the project I was not able to make any decisions. I used to quarrel with my husband about his lavish lifestyle."

Donors like you helped turn the tide. Earlier this year your gifts provided 25 cassava processing machines to villages in Sierra Leone and Liberia. Easy to grow and nutritious, cassava is an ideal staple to help families escape hunger. Unfortunately, the roots are toxic unless processed properly.

Hanna used to spend 3 days grinding the roots by hand in order to make cassava flour. It was backbreaking work. Her hands would often be bloody with sores and her whole body would hurt. But with the machine processing only takes 1 HOUR! "The machine empowered me to process my raw cassava to gari and foofoo. I can even operate the machine by myself as a woman," Hanna says.

Along with training in gender equity, the machine facilitated a more equal and harmonious relationship in the family.

**'The training changed my husband's behaviour towards the family. Now he cares much more. We now have even planted more cassava on the farm due to my suggestion and because we can process it and get more money.'**

Hanna Kamara

# YOU'RE PROVIDING Life-Saving Aid

Last year, donors like you helped us respond to more disasters in a single year than ever before. In total, you provided 269,294 people with life saving aid - emergency food, water and sanitation, medicine, and essential supplies.

## A Record Year for Disasters

Sadly, last year was a record year for disasters. You gave us the ability to respond.

### Ethiopia

Tigray Food Assistance:

**9,120**

Wolaita Food Assistance:

**12,760**

### India

COVID Food Assistance:

**27,780**

### DRC

Volcano Food Assistance  
& Essential items:

**2,804**

### South Sudan

Aweil Food Assistance:

**13,720**

Kajo Keji HERD:

**35,997**

Now in its 11th year, the Syrian crisis still drags on. For this young boy, the refugee camp is all he's ever known. With your gifts, you are there with him; providing needed health care.

Photo: Helen Manson/Tearfund NZ

### Lebanon

Health:

**158,579**

### Haiti

Earthquake Assistance:

**3,120**

### Colombia

Venezuelan Refugee  
Assistance:

**5,414**

## Stories of Change

### A Long Journey

She carried no clothes, no food, and no money. Nothing but her baby in her arms. Ablrhet\* is one of millions that had fled the escalating violence between the Ethiopian Army and Tigray Defense Forces. She tells our team that armed forces used their machine guns to kill the people in her village. Among them was her entire family. Her husband, other children, and siblings.



As the war in Ethiopia rages on, donors like you are providing urgently needed food and hope to over 9,000 vulnerable people. The biggest need is food. We found as many as 71 people living in one room, only eating once a day. Starvation is being used as a weapon of war. The UN estimates that 5 million are in desperate hunger, while 400,000 are in famine.

With frequently blocked roads and bridges, getting the food to where it needs to be is challenging. But thanks to the resilience and adaptability of our local church partner, we have been able to provide hungry families with a lifeline. Families like Ablrhet.

As Ablrhet entered the camp she was greeted by partner staff and enrolled into a food assistance program based in the church. She tells us that she has been fed three times a day and been given a supplement called Famix, helping her produce healthier milk for her baby. Her baby is now gaining weight. Thank you so much. Donors like you have provided 202 metric tons of food to 9,000 vulnerable families.

The impact of the conflict is devastating, but we will not look away. We will travel with the people of Ethiopia for as long as it takes.

\*Pseudonym

📍 In the hills of Jharkhand, India, donors like you have helped thousands of people from the remote Malto tribe.

Photo: Lambard Regulus/EFICOR



# Thank You!

From food to sanitation, savings to emergency relief and building resilience, you're helping improve the lives of thousands throughout the world.





## INVESTING IN Local Partnership

Together we can do more than alone. Last year you equipped and empowered a network of local, grassroots partners to lead long-term change. It is the family of God, working together in love.

### Benefits of Partnership



#### Adaptable

When many NGOs had to pause their work because of COVID-19 travel restrictions, we were able to pivot and continue our life-changing work.



#### Empowering

When locals lead the change they create solutions that are owned by their communities and are long-lasting.



#### Cost Effective

Less money goes towards expensive Canadian salaries and more money goes into the local communities we serve.



#### Long-Term Change

Local partners have cultural understanding, local trust and influence, and are embedded in their communities. Working through partners is the best way to achieve long-term change. Our goal is that one day we're not needed.

### Our Partners

Last year we partnered with 14 church-based organizations across the globe. We invest strategically in a small number of partners to multiply the impact you make. All of our partners have a proven track record and are leading experts in their countries.

- Terepeza Development Association *Ethiopia*
- Ethiopian Kale Heywet Church Development Commission *Ethiopia*
- Evangelical Fellowship of Sierra Leone *Sierra Leone*
- Community of Baptist Churches in Central Africa *DRC*
- Fadhili Trust *Kenya*
- Evangelical Fellowship of India Commission on Relief *India*
- Diocese of Central Tanganyika *Tanzania*
- Centre for Emergency and Development Support *South Sudan*
- Tearfund South Sudan *South Sudan*
- Association of Evangelicals of Liberia *Liberia*
- Medair *Lebanon*
- World Renew *Haiti*
- Tearfund Latin America *Colombia*
- YWAM Loko Koa *Canada*

India's second COVID wave killed thousands and left many more without work. Thanks to you we were able to provide food and relief to thousands of vulnerable families.

Photo: Manoj Paateel/Shutterstock

### When The World Stopped – We Kept Going

The phone continued to ring. Ramesh, Executive Director of our partner EFICOR, in India, didn't want to answer. Over the last few days the calls kept coming, delivering the heartbreaking news that another person he knew had died of COVID-19. "Throughout the crisis what I was afraid of most was my phone." Ramesh said.

In April, thousands of dead bodies piled up in the heart of India. Crematoriums were unable to keep up with demand so large public burnings were created. The smell of burning hair filled the air. The glow from fires lit up the night. It was hell on Earth.

As COVID-19 wreaked havoc across the world, many charities were forced to reduce or suspend their operations. But through our partners, we picked up the pace.

In partnership with EFICOR, we responded immediately to the crisis. With your support, local churches provided food to the most vulnerable - daily labourers, the elderly, and families who'd lost the main breadwinner. Your gifts helped create cash-for-work programs in remote villages, providing those who had lost their jobs an alternative source of income while also building up needed community infrastructure. Win-win.

Our original goal was to provide \$200,000 towards this life-saving project. **But due to your incredible generosity within 72 hours we had already reached this goal. We doubled it. At the end of the day we were able to send \$615,000 to save lives.**



## MAXIMIZING YOUR Impact

With a focus on partnerships and new program innovations, through Tearfund you're expanding what is possible.

### Our Partners

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Family

#### Tearfund Family

In 2021 we took significant steps forward coming together as a global Tearfund family, helping us increase efficiency by sharing resources and expertise, create more impact through larger projects, and gain access to more funds.

**Integral:**

#### Integral Alliance

As one of 21 member organizations, the alliance allows us to respond to emergencies fast. When the Haiti earthquake struck in August, we were able to deliver urgently needed food to affected families immediately through another member.



#### Canadian Foodgrains Bank

Thanks to the Government of Canada and farmers across the nation, we're able to access leveraging funds that multiply the impact of your donations 2:1, 3:1 and even 4:1.

### Copycat Farmers

Unlike your old high school teacher we love it when farmers copy each other. In fact, we plan on it! In 2021 we expanded our innovative "landscape" approach to farmer training. Instead of using the widely used "confetti approach" (training farmers spread apart over distances), we focus on training 40% of farmers in targeted communities. When untrained neighbours see the incredible results they ask about it and begin to practice it themselves. By training only 40% of farmers, it is possible to see near-total village transformation take place.

**'By training 40% of farmers it's possible to see near-total village transformation take place.'**

## Your Impact, Multiplied

GI<sup>🇨🇦</sup>NG TUESDAY 2021

On Giving Tuesday donors like you saw their donations multiplied 4X to help families living with extreme hunger in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Thanks to you, we raised an incredible **\$96,578!** And through our partnership with Foodgrains Bank we were able to send a total of **\$386,312** to life-changing projects. **Nearly 1,500 families were trained in better agriculture methods that grow 2-3X more food ensuring thousands of children have access to sufficient food and have a brighter future.**

📌 On Giving Tuesday you helped provide nearly 1,500 families with training in sustainable farming methods that grow 2-3X more food.

Photo: Arlette Bashizi



## CREATING LONG-TERM Change

We aren't interested in Bandaid solutions. Through Tearfund, you're creating change that is long-lasting.

### Pivoting Towards Permanent Change in South Sudan

John Katosa and his wife Ester Juan have never known security. But when they fled their village in Kajo Keji because of conflict it took on a new meaning. They lived in the refugee camp for years, anxious for the chance to return home. "Life is difficult in the refugee settlement, especially with a family," John tells us. "We had to return to Kajo-Keji. We wanted to have our own land."

Years of war and political strife has meant that 9 out of 10 South Sudanese suffer with extreme hunger. And over half of children between the ages of 2 and 5 eat only one meal a day.

John and Ester returned home with thousands of other refugees seeking to rebuild. But when they arrived, they found the land had been laid to ruin and struggled to get started.

But thanks to your gifts, we are midway through a new innovative project called HERD. This project is helping returning refugee families move away from handouts and towards a future free from poverty.

First, 700 vulnerable families were provided with urgently needed food. Next, 6,000 families received seed kits, farming tools, and training in sustainable farming practices. The land in Kajo Keji is very fertile, with the training families have been able to grow thriving gardens full of okra, tomatoes, eggplants, onions, beans, peanuts and cassava. Through the project, women's inequality is also addressed, encouraging families to keep girls in school, prevent child marriages, and allow for greater decision making in the home.

“We’ve harvested my okra crop 4 times and sold it in the market!” Ester tells us.  
 “My family now has plenty to eat and can afford to buy necessities from the sales.”

As part of the project, John and Ester joined a savings group and are starting to save some of their earnings. Collectively, these groups have saved over \$10,000 so far! Through Tearfund you are helping families find real, lasting change.



9 out of 10

people are suffer from food insecurity in South Sudan



60%

of children between the ages of 2 and 5 eat only one meal a day



6,000

families are on a path out of poverty with your help

### Long-term Savings

In 2021 you helped establish hundreds of savings groups – one of the most powerful ways to bring a family out of long-term poverty. Made up of 20 to 30 members, usually women, the groups provide a place to save small amounts of money and take loans. We only set-up groups in an area for 5 years. Then we leave, allowing the groups to replicate and run on their own. In a recent study we found that nearly 95% of groups continued to run 5 years after we’ve left!

Many saving groups, like this one in Tanzania, meet within the local church and pray before and after each meeting. Over the last 10 years, these groups have been helping thousands of women start new businesses and lift themselves out of poverty.

Photo: Brian Ongoro



## CLIMATE Adaptation

A changing climate may be an inconvenience to us but to many families living in extreme poverty it is a matter of life and death. Droughts, floods, and disasters are making it more difficult to farm and are destroying homes and livelihoods. But together, you're bringing hope. Last year donors like you helped equip our network of local churches with the tools they need to adapt to these new challenges. Through farmer training, tree planting, and better water management, you've helped thousands of people see a brighter future.

### Adapting to a New Normal

In much of East Africa the predictable gentle rains that brought life to farms and abundance has disappeared—replaced by unpredictable drought or torrents.

This is how you're helping farmers adapt:



### Climate Resilient Agriculture

Through mulching, crop rotation, and no-till agriculture you're helping farmers dramatically reduce the amount of water their crops need to thrive. Farmers are sometimes provided with new crop varieties that are drought resistant.



### Tree Planting

In 2021 your donations helped plant 272,577 trees in strategic areas. Clear-cutting for land and firewood has desolated landscapes and led to massive erosion in many areas. Trees help hold onto the soil, cool down the surrounding region, and provide clean oxygen for all.



### Water Management

Reservoir digging, irrigation, and steeped farming are just a few of the techniques you're helping farmers use to prevent flooding in the rainy season and ensure a supply of water in times of drought.



# 272,577

Trees Planted in 2021

Climate change is significantly eroding many people's ability to thrive in the world's harshest places. The good news is that living life to the full in the face of a changing climate is possible. With a renewed mindset and more sustainable practices using local resources we can co-create a future of opportunity and hope.

Anja Oussoren  
Program Manager - East Africa & South Asia

## A Voice of Hope – COP26



In November 2021 Tearfund Canada attended COP26 to advocate on behalf of the most vulnerable and provide a voice of hope in the midst of a changing climate. During the conference we advocated that more money be allocated to helping the most vulnerable adapt to the realities of a changing climate while shifting towards a more sustainable future.

# FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

Tearfund Canada exists to provide relief and development assistance to the world's most oppressed, poor, and suffering people by partnering with churches and other Christian agencies and organizations. We trust God for our finances. Our operations depend on the generosity of individuals, churches, foundations, businesses, as well as contracts from Global Affairs Canada and through Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Audited financial statements are available upon request and on our website at: [www.tearfund.ca/financial-integrity](http://www.tearfund.ca/financial-integrity)

	2021		2020	
	\$	Percentage	\$	Percentage
<b>Revenue</b>				
Donations	\$ 2,371,943	29.8%	\$ 2,080,333	27.4%
Government	\$ 2,056,456	25.9%	\$ 2,009,676	26.5%
CFGFB	\$ 3,188,228	40.1%	\$ 3,288,832	43.4%
Other	\$ 338,437	4.3%	\$ 200,363	2.6%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 7,955,064</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$ 7,579,204</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Programs	\$ 5,832,619	73.3%	\$6,063,574	80.0%
Fundraising	\$ 692,881	8.7%	\$705,546	9.3%
Administration	\$ 289,720	3.6%	\$256,892	3.4%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 6,816,220</b>	<b>85.7%</b>	<b>\$7,026,012</b>	<b>92.7%</b>
<b>Reserved For Future Programs</b>	<b>\$ 1,139,844</b>	<b>14.3%</b>	<b>\$553,192</b>	<b>7.3%</b>

*Note: All of Tearfund Canada's development programs and some relief are multi-year. We regularly carry funds over from one fiscal year to the next.*



Many Tearfund Canada initiatives receive funding through the International Humanitarian Assistance program of Global Affairs Canada, which directs Canada's official international development and humanitarian assistance and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Such projects build on significant support from Tearfund donors, giving individual and church donations a greatly amplified impact. Tearfund Canada, adheres to the Core Humanitarian Standards as set out by the International Red Cross, as well as the SPHERE Humanitarian aid standards and Integral Alliance quality standards.



Tearfund Canada subscribes to the Seal of Financial Accountability as a member of the Canadian Council of Christian Charities (CCCC) and are subject to their requirements and recommendations pursuant to their annual review. Spending of funds is confined to Board approved programs and projects. Each contribution directed toward an approved program or project will be used as restricted with the understanding that when the need for such a program or project has been met or cannot be completed for any reason as determined by the Board, the remaining restricted contributions will be used where most needed. CRA Charitable Registration #10822 2191 RR 0001

# LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE

Tearfund Canada is run and governed by men and women who are passionate about seeing God glorified and seeing an end to extreme poverty. Our board consists of individuals from different walks of life who possess varying skill sets and God-given gifts.

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# GOING

# Forward

God has done immeasurably more than we could have imagined in 2021. Over the next year, we are committed to continuing following him to help those in greatest need. Your support is critical to our work.

## Expanding our work with the local church

Like you, we believe that God uses his local church to transform communities. In 2022 we will continue our commitment of working with the local church in the places we work to lift families out of physical and spiritual poverty. Our goal is to equip and empower many more congregations and church leaders with the tools they need to go beyond their walls to offer families a future of opportunity and hope.

## Transitioning more families in South Sudan from Relief to Self-sufficiency

One of the most exciting new projects we have is our South Sudan HERD project. Funded by the Government of Canada and donors like you, this project aims to take families in South Sudan dependent on relief handouts and transition them to long-term self-sufficiency. Usually projects are either relief or development; this project covers both. It is a truly unique project we're excited to partner with you on.

**We are relentlessly committed to following Jesus where the need is greatest; serving the most vulnerable: widows and orphans, the elderly, the marginalized and those least likely to get help.**

Photo: Arlette Bashizi

## New Projects in the Democratic Republic of Congo

Over the last 5 years donors like you have helped thousands of families in the DR Congo farm more food, generate more income, and take their first steps out of poverty. We are thrilled to say that 2 of our projects have come to an end allowing us to start new projects which will help more families.

## Expanding our work with climate adaptation and advocacy


Our partners and the families we work with continue to tell us how a changing climate is affecting their lives. It is pushing many families back into poverty and for some it is a life or death situation.

We believe that the church has a role to play and aim to be the leading Christian voice in this area. In 2022 our goal is to help farmers adapt to changing climate conditions while also encouraging Canadian churches and Christians to consider what the Bible says about this topic.

## Strengthening partnerships with the Tearfund Family, Local Partners, and Canadian Foodgrains Bank

The strength of our many partnerships is how we are able to change many more lives with fewer resources - stretching your dollar further. In 2022 we will strive to work closely with our partners in new innovative ways to change more lives and become ever more effective in transforming communities.






## Our Vision

 To see people freed from poverty, living transformed lives, and reaching their God-given potential.

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