



**Himalayan
Development
Foundation**
AUSTRALIA

ANNUAL REPORT 2018-2019



Our purpose

Securing a brighter future for children in remote Himalayan communities.

Our mission

By 2030, ensure access to education for all children in the remote Kanchenjunga and Indrawati communities of Nepal.

Our drivers of change

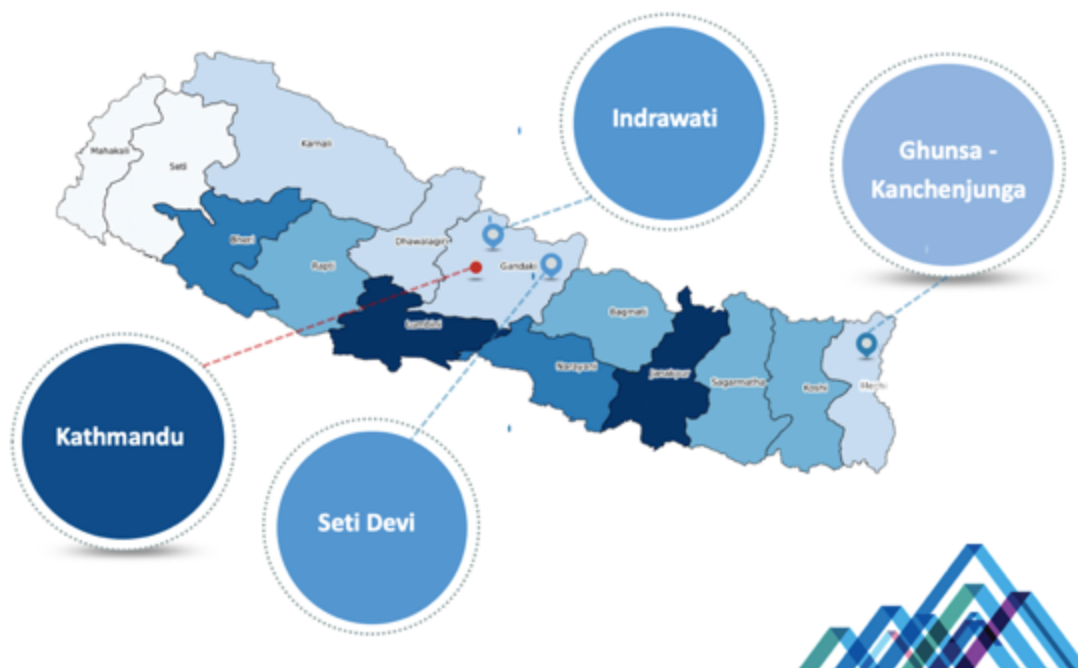
- Education
- Livelihood
- Healthcare

Our History

HDFA commenced working in Nepal in early 2014, co-founded by prominent South Australian mountaineer Duncan Chessell and Andrew Stace, an educator with international development experience and a passion for Nepal.

In 2013 Duncan first visited Ghunsa, the home village of the Sherpa mountain guides who had helped him on several expeditions. Located in the far eastern area of Nepal in the shadow of Mt Kanchenjunga, the 3rd highest peak on the planet, the journey took a one-hour flight from Kathmandu, followed by an 18-hour drive, and then three days of serious trekking. The extreme remoteness and poor living conditions were striking. Ghunsa was well off the tourist trail, overlooked by charities and barely receiving any government support. This is what motivated HDFA into being; a determination to help the people of Ghunsa and other very remote areas of Nepal give their children a better future.

We soon realised that to effect true lasting impact, a more holistic approach was required – involving the whole community in Education, Health and Livelihood programs. We also observed an inverse relationship between poverty and good governance in Nepal; this was a fundamental issue that needed to be addressed. In 2016 we started working in Indrawati, north of Kathmandu, a heavily earthquake-damaged region where human trafficking is rife. In 2017 we greatly enhanced health services to ~9,500 people through improved clinical outreach, family planning and awareness-raising. In 2018 we implemented an agricultural improvement program, equipping 200 of the poorest families with a year-round source of nutrition and income. From this strong base we are now moving into education work in Indrawati.



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ABOUT US

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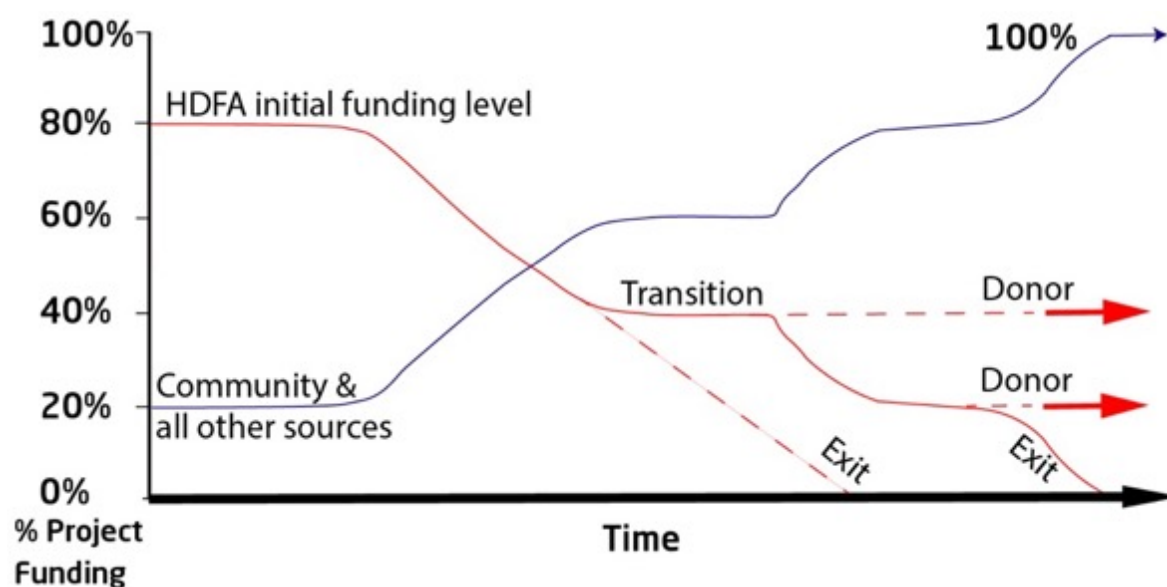
We believe giving children an education is the best way to break the illiteracy-poverty cycle and counter the risk of child trafficking. Our work also extends to health and livelihood improvement activities in order to give parents the capacity to send their children to school.

We are a small and passionate team, dedicated to working in very remote Himalayan areas that large-scale organisations overlook. Our aim is to engage with a community for 5-15 years, after which we hope to have equipped a community to manage their own future in a sustainable way.










Through holistic community development, we support communities in the areas of education, health and livelihood developments to assist them to reach higher. We believe in giving a hand up, not a handout, where the community are engaged in the projects from the start, providing their input, to assist their community. By providing opportunities within the community we aim to stem the flow of young people from villages moving to the cities and overseas where many of them end up working in poor unskilled positions (or worse) due to a lack of education and a background of poverty. We aim to develop skills and economic capacity within the communities, so they may take care of their own future with responsibility and a level of financial security. Health and livelihood developments are enablers within the communities we work with to allow children to go to school, gaining an education and a brighter future.

A fundamental tool to achieving these goals is to strengthen governance at the local community level such as school management and health post committees and to encourage local communities to take on the ownership of *their* future and remove the reliance on handouts from government and NGO's.

DEVELOPING SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES



OUR PEOPLE

		
Andrew Stace – Chair Nepal programs – sub-committee	Anne Skipper – Vice Chair Fundraising sub-committee	Dr Jo Arnold – Co Secretary
		
Melissa Westgate – board member Fundraising sub-committee	Chris Miller – Board Member	Duncan Chessell – Board Member CEO (Voluntary) – all committees
		
Ed Parker – Treasurer Nepal programs – sub-committee	Julie Marron – part time employee Fundraising & grants manager	Doreen Ho – Accountant (Voluntary)



SECTION 2

GOVERNANCE

STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT

The Himalayan Development Foundation Australia Inc (HDFA) is registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and is an incorporated association in South Australia.

The management committee (board) consists of seven board members with a variety of skills and experience in NFP work and boards, education, accounting, business and fundraising, and the majority are 'responsible persons'.

The Australian accounts are reported on by an external organisation (McCormack A&A) on a pro-bono basis directly to the board and annually independently audited by Oreon Partners – their report is included in this Annual Report. We conduct spot audits on our Nepalese supplier/partner organisations, regular monitoring and evaluation trips to the field and offices in Kathmandu, with annual independent audits conducted by local Nepalese firms. All bank accounts in Australia (HDFA) and Nepal (In Country Delivery Organisations: PHASE Nepal and KBSS) operate on a two-to-sign basis for all transactions. In line with AusAID and DFAT requirements, no board members receive board fees, in line with industry best practice. Duncan Chessell is a volunteer CEO and received no fees.

HDFA applied in late 2016 to DFAT (Department of Foreign affairs and Trade) for authorisation to operate an overseas public aid fund with deductible gift recipient status. This would enable the organisation to fundraise and issue tax deductible receipts to donors in its own right, and access a wider pool of funds from PAFs, corporate and government grants. The process requires 2 years of track record before application and is assessed by DFAT, ATO and Treasury and typically takes ~2 years to complete.

On the 7th of November 2018 the Federal Assistant Treasurer Mr Stuart Robert declared the Himalayan Development Foundation Australia Public Fund was declared under subsection 30-85(2) of the *Income Assessment Act 1997* as a developing country relief fund; and being an approved organisation declared by the then Minister for Foreign Affairs Julie Bishop (earlier in 2018).

This allows HDFA to issue tax deductible receipts directly to Australian resident donors and allows HDFA to apply for funds from a significantly wider and deeper pool of donors and greatly enhances the credibility of the organisation.

Australian Activities

Our volunteer Board plans, monitors and manages our development activities overseas. We also help our members and supporters to organise events such as dinners, quiz night and media coverage.

In 2019/20 we will be recruiting for more volunteers to lend a hand, please contact us if you believe you can help.

info@hdfa.org



In 2018/19 we have focussed on ensuring our projects in Nepal are working as effectively as possible to provide the best possible sustainable outcomes for the people we are supporting.

The board planned an in-depth monitoring and evaluation trip to be taken in the latter part of 2019. Monitoring and evaluation is an important part of the development process and this journey will mean that all HDFA board members have visited Nepal and the Indrawati community.

7 November 2018 saw the fruition of several years' work as the Himalayan Development Foundation Australia Public Fund was declared under subsection 30-85(2) of the Income Assessment Act 1997 as a developing country relief fund and awarded DGR1 (Deductible Gift Recipient) status. DGR1 status allows HDFA to issue tax deductible receipts directly to Australian resident donors (HDFA had previously partnered with World Relief Australia to utilise their DGR accredited Public Fund to raise tax-deductible donations, but this came at a cost).

DGR status also qualifies HDFA to apply for funds from a significantly wider and deeper pool of donors including Private Ancillary Funds (PAFs) which only offer grants to DGR accredited organisations. The attainment of DGR1 status also greatly enhances the credibility of the organisation.

To take up the funding opportunities that have become available to HDFA as a result of attaining DGR1 status we employed Julie Marron in the part time (0.5 FTE) position of Grants and Fundraising Manager commencing in May 2019 to re-activate fundraising, develop networks, write grants and cultivate relationships with major donors.



CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT



Andrew Stace BA(IntlStud), BEd, GCertEMS

Namaste!

The work done by those involved in the Himalayan Development Foundation Australia continues to inspire me. As a small but dedicated volunteer board, working with experienced and focused partners in Nepal, we have seen pleasing developments throughout the communities we work with.

We have continued to work hard to ensure we are having a deep and just as importantly, lasting impact in the communities we work with. Holistic consultative community development, building sustainable communities, is fundamental to the way we work. This has meant we have continued to develop our close working partnership with PHASE Nepal, where our Program Manager, Bikash Koirala leads a team of experts to ensure the communities of Bhotang and Balgoan in the Indrawati region gain the most from our relationship.

The last 12 months of the Indrawati Project has focussed on helping to improve livelihoods through the 'Seeds of Hope' project. This has assisted people to develop their agriculture practices to include new crops which they will be able to turn into a sustainable business product within their communities, providing an income and a brighter future. Our commitment to healthcare in the region continues and we have begun to turn our attention to development of education outcomes initially through teacher training and resources.

Mingma Dandu Sherpa, our representative in the Kanchenjunga Region has continued to provide excellent leadership and guidance in this area. Supported by the Kanchenjunga Buddhist Social Service, the community continues to thrive with governance and community engagement in the projects growing stronger. The introduction of a mobile phone tower to the area community has given the community greater connectivity and opportunities. Later this year we will hand over the funding of healthcare services to the Government because of the work we have done with the community in building capacity and governance structures. Excitingly, the education outcomes in the region continue to grow with students now graduating from Ghunsa and undertaking further education in Kathmandu, something they had only ever dreamed of but made possible thanks to our generous donors.

Our supporters, donors and volunteers are our greatest asset. These achievements would not be possible without the amazing support of our donors, those who provide us with pro bono services and those who have given their time volunteering in a range of capacities.

The year ahead is promising with further development of our programs and new opportunities for our supporters to see the work that has been achieved. We look forward to continuing to share our journey with you as we work alongside remote communities in Nepal to Reach Higher.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Stace', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Stace, Chair & Co-Founder

OUR OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

In 2018/19 we aimed to continue the existing programs whilst adding deeper layers within each of the communities.

Indrawati

Since 2016 we have been working with communities in the Indrawati region, in the Bhotang and Baruwa areas of Sindhupalchok, which borders Tibet seven hours north of Kathmandu. This is a remote and poverty-stricken part of Nepal, hit very hard by the 2015 earthquakes. In 2016 we undertook a scoping study to work out what was needed for this community to rebuild itself and give their children hope for a brighter future. We commenced working to address urgent health and financial needs in the community so that families would become stronger, and ultimately strong enough to properly support their children's education.

Healthcare

More than a thousand households have benefitted from increased access to healthcare facilities since we first started working in Indrawati. In 2018 alone more than 6000 patients received direct medical services in clinics supported by HDFA. In particular we have been able to greatly increase the services offered to young children, new and expectant mothers and those with acute health issues.

We support and augment the work of government health posts by providing separate outreach clinics, essential medicines otherwise in scarce supply, and auxiliary nursing midwives who offer 24-hour emergency services. Other important services made available with our support include immunisation, de-worming and family planning and contraceptive services.

Health promotion and awareness raising is another major priority, to improve hygiene and ensure people are aware of the healthcare services available to them. Teams of midwives, mothers' groups and female community health volunteers help with this, driving community education programs. We also work with traditional healers, respecting indigenous culture and practices while working for change, so that they redirect their patients to the health post after they have finished their prayers and rituals.

Being involved in running health posts in the region has been a valuable way of building strong community engagement, allowing us to really get to know the people we are working with and to undertake a deep dive needs analysis of the education, health and economic struggles families face.

Livelihood improvement

2018/19 has seen the rollout and expansion of our livelihood initiative in Indrawati, Seeds of Hope. This agricultural improvement initiative, which focuses on empowering women, serves to fill the gap in daily nutrition for families, especially for young children and pregnant and post-partum mothers.

With our help, more than 200 of the poorest families in the region have built greenhouses, providing a more reliable year-round food source and imparting important vocational skills in sustainable building and farming practices.

In addition to food security, Seeds of Hope enables income generation, helping families build small commercial farms to sell in the local market. More than 100 citrus orchards have already been planted, having been identified as good cash crops suited to the hilly terrain. A pilot mushroom farm has also proven very successful and is now set to be rolled out to more families, with the potential for a community coop micro-financing structure to provide an even greater ripple effect.

Education

Our work to date has focused on addressing the immediate health and financial needs of those most vulnerable in the Indrawati communities, so that families can regain strength in the wake of the earthquake and be in a position to properly support their children through school. Having seen significant positive changes to this end, we will be introducing new education objectives and activities in the 2109/20 financial year.



Indrawati Community Development Project – Current Operations		
Seeds of Hope Livelihood Program	Health Clinics and Outreach Programs	Every Child Educated, Indrawati
<p>Seeds of Hope helps poverty-stricken families (with a focus on empowering women) establish new and sustainable farming initiatives, addressing poverty, generating income and growing a new agri-industry.</p> <p>In 2018/19 we established greenhouses for 200 families, with new all-season crops providing good nutrition and yield.</p> <p>We have also successfully piloted commercial crops for high-nutrient, high-value citrus, kiwi fruit and mushrooms.</p>	<p>Two health clinics and roving outreach programs have been providing critical medical services and health education to the region supporting 9,500 people.</p> <p>In addition to clinical services and free medicines, we have been offering family planning, empowering female community health volunteers and mothers' groups, all for \$3/consult including medications.</p>	<p>Every Child Educated, Indrawati seeks to empower 1,200 of the neediest children and youth in the Indrawati region with better education opportunities and a brighter future.</p> <p>We hope to launch this initiative in early 2020, leveraging our success in school-building and education improvements in the Ghunsa region of eastern Nepal.</p>
<p>Future directions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishing a community co-op as a source of microfinancing, allowing greater participation in the scheme Strengthening the farmers' group Helping women develop agricultural and business skills Expand the current pilot mushroom plots into larger scale model farms Support more citrus, kiwi and tomato plantations Provide vocational training to young adults 	<p>Future directions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refocusing funding towards the Balgoan community health post which services a poorer community with less resources Delivering a girls' empowerment program covering health and social issues 	<p>Future directions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transforming eight schools for 1200+ children Adding early childhood development classes Equipping libraries, computer labs, AV classrooms and sporting facilities Conducting teacher training Providing vocational training for 45 young people to create employment opportunities Providing higher education opportunities for 20 outstanding but needy students Giving girls greater access to education
<p>Over three years we wish to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Significantly develop leadership and governance capacity Develop a strong agri-industry Establish community models of self-funding such as microfinance and co-operatives 	<p>Over three years we wish to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthen the health management committees and local governance structures Secure alternative sources of funding for clinical services 	<p>Over three years we wish to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop scholarship programs Build strong school management committees and governance structures Strengthen relationships with national education bodies Seek government sourced funding
<p>Funding required \$10,000 to \$80,000 pa</p>	<p>Funding required \$10,000 to \$120,000 pa</p>	<p>Funding required \$10,000 to \$120,000 pa</p>

Ghunsa/Kanchenjunga

In remote Ghunsa we have been working with the community since 2014 to improve education for local children. The Ghunsa Village lies at 3,400m altitude in the remote Mechi Zone in the far East of Nepal in the Taplejung District, bordering India further to the East. Ghunsa is the highest permanent settlement in the valley, immediately to the north lies Tibet.

When we first visited Ghunsa in 2013, up to eight students lived on a concrete floor with only a piece of wood and a 5mm foam mat between them and the ground. School attendance for students in the valley was at only 25%. Back in 2015 we worked alongside the people of Ghunsa to rebuild and refit their school and hostel facilities in 2015, providing a safe and inviting place for students to both live and study.

In 2018, the local community embarked on another building project at GLSS to meet the demands from the people of the valley who wanted to send their children to the school. This project saw a second story added to one of the three main buildings at the school, providing further accommodation for students whose families did not reside in Ghunsa.

In 2018, for the first time in the region's history, 100% of school aged children are attending school, giving them a better chance at a brighter future.

Ghunsa/Kanchenjunga Community Development Project	
Ghunsa model school	Ghunsa Health Clinic
<p>The Ghunsa school has continued to successfully operate with 100% attendance and been recognised as a model school by the Nepalese Government.</p> <p>56 children attend the school (40 boarders, 16 day students) which runs up to year 8. Four students are being supported to attend high school elsewhere in Nepal.</p> <p>The Government now paying for 2000NRs / month per child</p>	<p>The Ghunsa health clinic has been providing critical medical services and health education to the region since 2015, supporting 400 people.</p> <p>The clinic is now well established and increasingly supported by government and we are fast phasing out our participation, in accordance with our Developing Sustainable Communities development model which see us exit projects as quickly as possible.</p>
<p>Future directions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The success of the Ghunsa school has generated interest from the surrounding area, and we are now looking to conduct a scoping study in 2019/20 with the intention of rolling out the Ghunsa school model across the Kanchenjunga region. 	<p>Future directions</p> <p>Thanks to the successful lobbying of our HDFA team in Nepal, the Nepalese government will be fully funding and operating the health clinic from 2020</p>
<p>Over three years we wish to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll out the Ghunsa school model down valley Further development of the scholarship programs Strengthen relationships with national education bodies 	<p>Handed over to community</p>

**Independent Audit Report****Report on the Financial Report**

We have audited the attached special purpose financial report, comprising the Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2019, Statement of Income & Expenditure and Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended on that date of Himalayan Development Foundation Australia Incorporated.

The Responsibility of the committee for the Financial Report

The committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations). This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to the needs of the trust.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Auditor's Opinion

In my opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies, the financial state of Himalayan Development Foundation Australia Incorporated as at 30 June 2019 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

Ben Reynolds

Oreon Partners

Date: 21/ 10 /2019



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HIMALAYAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The Members of the Committee of Himalayan Development Foundation Australia Incorporated have determined the association is a non-reporting entity and the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies detailed in Note 1 to the Financial Statements. In the opinion of the Committee:

- The financial statements present fairly the state of affairs of Himalayan Development Foundation Australia Incorporated as at 30 June 2019 and its performance for the year ended on that date and are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.
- Complying with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.
- At the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.
- No officer of the association has received directly or indirectly from the association any payment of pecuniary value other than as disclosed in the Financial Statements.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



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Signed this 20th day of October 2019

Duncan Chessell - Volunteer CEO, Board Member & Co-Founder

HIMALAYAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

Account	2019	2018
Trading Income		
Events Income (Non DGR)	4,808	0
Donation Income (not to Public Fund)	0	12,038
Interest Income	8	0
Membership Revenue	40	300
WRA: Donations to WRA	169	25
Donations to Public (DGR) Fund		
1428 Ghunsa (Revenue)	0	26,768
1630 Upper Indrawati (Revenue)	2,073	100,000
Total Donations to Public (DGR) Fund	2,073	126,768
Public Fund (HDFA) Donations	151,935	0
Total Trading Income	159,032	139,131
Public Fund Fees (WRA)		
WRA: Public Fund Administration Charges	(212)	(7,927)
Total Public Fund Fees	(212)	(7,927)
Fundraising Costs		
Events Expenses	(498)	0
Marketing & Fundraising (for Donations)	(1,579)	(9,941)
Total Fundraising Costs	(2,078)	(9,941)
Gross Profit	156,743	121,263
Operating Expenses		
Overheads - general		
Bank Fees	0	(18)
Computers, Software, email & hosting	(1,610)	(994)
Insurance - Business	(1,683)	(1,683)
Printing & Stationery	(42)	0
Staff Training	(85)	0
Subscriptions	(101)	(1,343)
Superannuation	(697)	0
Wages and Salaries	(7,333)	0
Total Overheads - general	(11,552)	(4,038)
Nepal Project Delivery Costs		
Project Management & Evaluation	0	(5,041)
Project Management Nepal Staff	(1,830)	(5,124)
Project Scoping & Development	0	(7,864)
Monitoring Visits	(6,310)	(121)
WRA: Distributions to Nepal from Public Fund	(112,660)	(86,128)
Distribution Nepal in Country Delivery Organisation ICDO	(40,595)	0
Total Nepal Project Delivery Costs	(161,395)	(104,279)
Total Operating Expenses	(172,947)	(108,317)
Net Profit	(16,204)	12,946

These accompanying notes form part of the financial statements

HIMALAYAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED**Balance Sheet**

Himalayan Development Foundation Australia Incorporated
As at 30 June 2019

	30 Jun 2019	30 Jun 2018
Assets		
Current Assets		
1428 Ghunsa (WRA Public Fund)	\$0.00	\$18,897.20
1630 Upper Indrawati (WRA Public Fund)	\$0.00	\$106,084.55
Total Current Assets	\$0.00	\$124,981.75
Bank		
ANZ Business Advantage	\$11,357.10	\$3,926.17
ANZ Public Fund (HDFA)	\$101,348.07	\$0.00
DC/JA Visa	-\$1,291.47	\$0.00
Total Bank	\$111,413.70	\$3,926.17
Total Assets	\$111,413.70	\$128,907.92
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$0.00	\$3,333.54
PAYG Withholdings Payable	\$996.00	\$0.00
Superannuation Payable	\$1,047.40	\$0.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$2,043.40	\$3,333.54
Total Liabilities	\$2,043.40	\$3,333.54
Net Assets	\$109,370.30	\$125,574.38
Equity		
Current Year Earnings	-\$16,204.08	\$12,946.15
Retained Earnings	\$125,574.38	\$112,628.23
Total Equity	\$109,370.30	\$125,574.38

Notes to the Financial Statements

During the FY2019 HDFA established an Overseas Public Aid Fund and holds DGR1 status. During part of the year, which has been discontinued now, the WRA Public Fund which is controlled by the Trustees of "The World Relief Australia Overseas Public Aid Fund" is included in the Financial Statements of HDFA to better represent the overall business of HDFA.

These accompanying notes form part of the financial statements

HIMALAYAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report has been prepared as a special purpose financial report to satisfy the requirements of the constitution. The final report is prepared on the basis of historical costs and in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012. No Australian Accounting Standards have been applied. The financial report shows the receipts and payments of the association and its bank balances at year end.

Taxation

The association is exempt from income tax on income derived from members.

NOTE 2 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following people held positions on the Association's Committee of Management during the year:

Andrew Stace	Chairperson
(Kathryn) Anne Skipper	Vice Chairperson
Joanne Arnold	Secretary
(Edwin) Ed Parker	Treasurer (from 19/11/2018)
Brian Gilbert	Treasurer (Retired 19/11/2018)
Duncan Chessell	Board Member, Volunteer CEO
Chris Miller	Board Member
Melissa Westgate	Board Member

Except where stated, transactions with related parties are on commercial terms and conditions.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & THANK YOU

To all that have supported, donated, given time and effort – THANKYOU!

To our implementation partners KBSS, PHASE Nepal and Mingma Dandu Sherpa our Nepal coordinator for the Kanchenjunga/Ghunsa region, Bikash Koirala, our program manager at PHASE Nepal, Mr Chhowang Sherpa KBSS (Founding President) and Mr Himali Sherpa President of the School Management Committee in Ghunsa, your leadership and daily tireless on the ground efforts has ensured a successful outcome for these area.

Donors

To everyone who has supported us with donations in the past 12 months – Thank You! Without your support, we would not be able to complete the important and ongoing work that is needed to help secure a brighter future for children in remote Himalayan communities.

Corporate & Community Partners – pro-bono work

[McCormack Accountants and Advisors](#) – Accounting work

[Oreon Partners](#) - Ben Reynolds and Petar Tatic for conducting the annual audit

[Brighter](#) – Creative communications - Ben Murray and the team

[Big Heart Adventures](#) – Lisa Murphy for ongoing collaboration on treks in Nepal and fundraising activities.

[Piper Alderman](#) – for Legal Services

Volunteers

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Peter Stace

All Board Members

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