

Impact Report

2024/25



Indonesia

In the remote mountains of Papua, Tearfund's local partner Yasera is working alongside local leaders like Pastor Yari, to help families strengthen communication and conflict resolution skills, enjoy enhanced health, nutrition and agricultural livelihoods, and achieve their God-given potential.

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Australia

Working for a just and compassionate world



Uganda

Loduk and his wife, farmers in Uganda, carry a plentiful supply of peanuts. They have been working with Tearfund's partner Vision Terudo to increase their family's food supply and adapt to the impact of climate change on their community.



As we reflect on 2025 we do so with deep gratitude for the faithfulness of our supporters, the dedication of our partners, and the resilience of communities we serve. This year has been one of transition, growth, and continued impact, which is reflected in this report.

In particular, we want to acknowledge the transition to a new CEO in January 2025, when Matthew Maury stepped down after 15 years leading Tearfund. We thank Matthew for his faithful service, the firm foundations he laid at Tearfund Australia and the legacy of deep commitment to justice and partnership he leaves behind.

Tearfund has continued to work alongside local Christian partners to address poverty, injustice, and disaster with our partners supporting communities in building sustainable livelihoods, improving health and education outcomes, and advocating for systemic change. We have also remained steadfast in our commitment to First Nations justice here in Australia, walking alongside Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders and communities.

Finally, we want to express our deep appreciation for the Australian Church. Our relationship with churches across the country is foundational to Tearfund's identity. Together, we are part of a movement that seeks to live out God's call to justice, compassion and restoration in a hurting world.

Internationally, with your support, we have:



supported
2,649,720
people



and
75
projects



through
41
partners

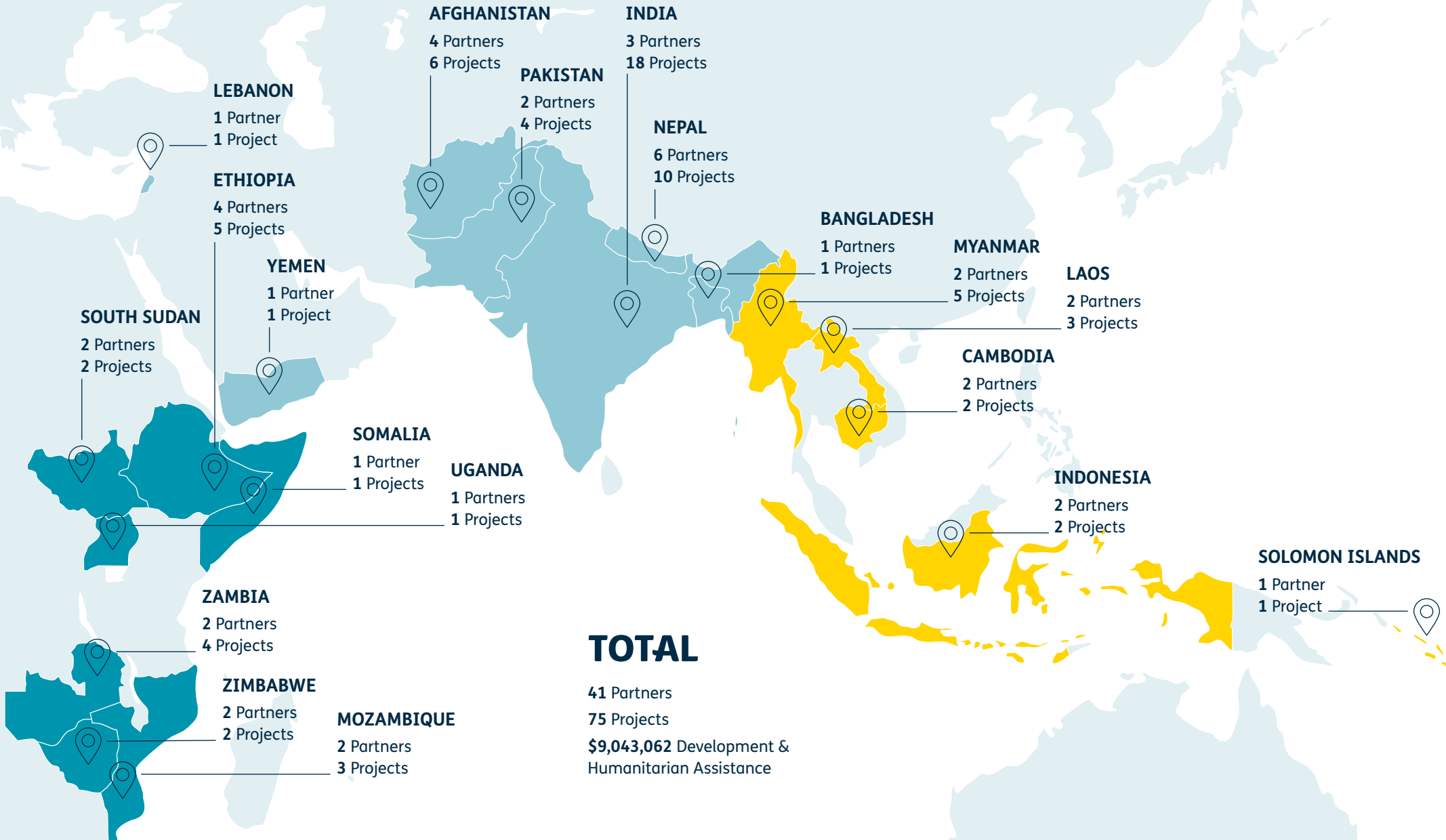


in
19
countries

Bec Oates
Chief Executive Officer

Joanna Lee
Chair of the Board

Following Jesus, we go where the need is greatest



TOTAL
41 Partners
75 Projects
\$9,043,062 Development & Humanitarian Assistance

We do justice together

In Australia we're celebrating:



879

advocacy actions taken by supporters



249

engagements with training resources



653

people attending Tearfund events



383

people trained to engage others with the message of justice



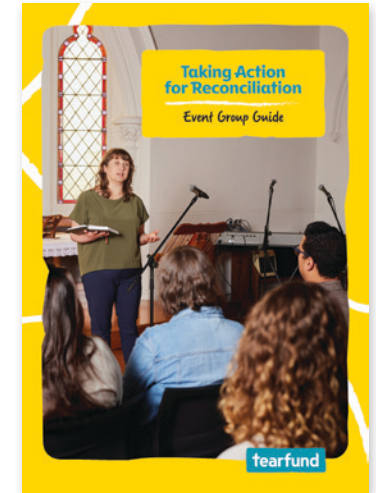
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registered Useful Gifts Shop campaigns



46

staff



In April 2025 we launched the Reconciliation Action Kit for churches and groups.

Through our First Peoples program, with your support, we:



supported **53** people



and **3** projects



through **3** Indigenous partners

Tearfund is proud to partner with Nungalinya College in the Northern Territory in its Faith and Family Wellbeing Program. Students at Nungalinya College share some worship dances in creation.



Your support is bringing hope to hard places



"The support... has brought 100% change to my life! The income has brought happiness to my family," asserts Ali*. Through Tearfund's local partner in Afghanistan, Ali received counselling to support his mental health and training to become a metalworker.

* Name changed

We wish people knew how powerful it is when communities come together, even in the darkest times. That unity, faith and shared humanity are what keep us going.

Tearfund's local partner in Myanmar

Our partners work in hard places, where people are facing the most extreme aspects of poverty and injustice.

Throughout the year, our partners have faced a multitude of compounding challenges, including escalating conflict, natural disasters and political instability. Despite growing complexity our partners continue to deliver life-saving support and long-term development to the communities they serve. Their work includes:

- access to clean water and toilets
- infant and maternal health
- food security
- income generation and support for livelihoods
- nutrition
- mental health support
- peacebuilding and conflict resolution
- climate and infrastructure resilience

\$2,342,577 in humanitarian funding was provided through Tearfund and with your support to partners in Afghanistan, Lebanon, India, Myanmar, Nepal and Zambia.

We're part of movements of change together



Tearfund Board member Esanju Maseka (far left) joins other Micah Women Leader Delegates as they meet with Michael McCormack MP to advocate for a Safer World For All.

In Australia and around the world, we partner with others so that we can create genuine movements of change.

This year, you've helped us to:

Support and equip our partners through strategic planning, accessing resources and training for staff, developing monitoring and evaluation systems, developing technical capacity and strengthening financial systems.

Advocate for systems change that tackles the root causes of poverty, inequality and injustice. We work alongside local, national and global organisations and coalitions to influence systemic change.

Work towards a more just society for First Nations peoples by partnering with three Christian organisations: Nungalinya College, Moorditj Keila and Strong Women Talking. These partnerships reflect Tearfund's holistic approach to justice, healing and empowerment.

Launching Tearfund's Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan, together with Reconciliation Australia we formally renewed our commitment and plan to work for reconciliation in this country.



Tearfund's Indian partners participate in a workshop, bringing together a rich tapestry of experience and skills.



\$123,523
provided to partners
to support capacity-
strengthening initiatives



\$188,339
to Tearfund's partners
supporting First Peoples
in Australia

With your support, we're broadening our engagement



A season of Hope begins. In 2024, Tearfund visited five Australian cities, sharing the good news that hope is not lost and is ever-present in the work of our local partners.

Broadening and deepening our engagement, including with Australian Christians and the church, is central to our mission and to true transformation.

With your support we have:

Equipped local representatives – ‘Reps’ – who lead others in responding to global poverty issues. Whether it’s running a Useful Gift Shop at Christmas, or leading a group using Tearfund’s resources, Tearfund supports Reps through regular online training and prayer gatherings.

Launched The Just Leadership Cohort to engage the next generation of Christian leaders with Tearfund’s theology of poverty, integral mission and justice.

Launched the season of hope. In 2024 we launched the first of our Global Hope reports, sharing the outcomes of research that we commissioned through NCLS Research.



Jocelyn Carolissen, Tearfund’s National Church and Volunteer Coordinator, meets with the church congregation at Earle Haven Retirement Village, which has been faithfully supporting Tearfund for many years.

“The Just Leadership Cohort has really given me a great holistic and integrated perspective of need, sustainability, engagement and partnership for a greater purpose.”

Jaiden Jude, participant in the 2025 Just Leadership Cohort

You're helping to promote climate justice



“These tomatoes have changed my life significantly. I thank HEFO that helped us realise the importance of water,” Servie explains. With the support of Tearfund’s local partner in Zimbabwe, Health, Education and Food Organisation (HEFO), Servie has access to a self-drilled solarised borehole and with horticulture training has harvested an abundance of tomatoes. HEFO is co-funded by the Australian Government through the Australian NGO Cooperation Program (ANCP).

Climate change is one of the greatest threats to global efforts to end poverty. We equip, empower and bring together Christians to engage in climate justice, both globally and locally.

With your support, we are working with partners to innovate, adapt and respond effectively to climate related risks:

Tearfund’s Climate Innovation Fund, enabled partners to pilot new ideas and strengthen climate resilience.

Our International Partnership Managers have played a key role in supporting partners to embed climate considerations into project design, contributing to a steady rise in climate-focused initiatives.

Capacity building efforts have equipped partners with tools to assess climate risks, enhance adaptive capacity and apply climate-smart agriculture practices.

How we are tracking:



As at June 2025, **41%** of longer-term development projects had a primary or secondary focus on climate change.

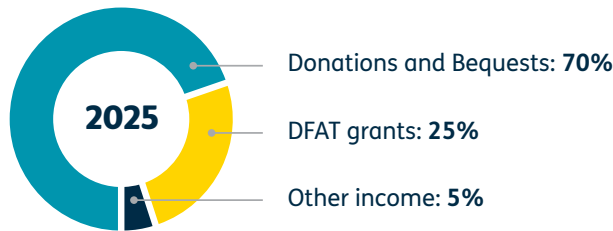


Last year, we spent **\$3,073** to offset 166 tonnes of carbon from air travel, supporting a solar energy project in rural India that combines carbon and microfinance to power homes.

Thank you for your generous support!

Here's how it's made an impact this year

Income 2024/25



Percentages of total income received for the financial year.

Donations and bequests

Gifts donated to Tearfund to support all of our work. This includes money from fundraising events and activities, individuals and churches.

DFAT grants

Funding from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) which manages the Australian Government's overseas aid program.

Other income

Income from investments, grants, rent and other minor activities.

Disbursements 2024/25

When you give to Tearfund, your funding is allocated towards a more just and compassionate world in three main ways:



Percentages of total expenditure for the financial year.

Projects and Community Education

Funding to local Christian agencies around the world that are working to address the root causes of poverty and marginalisation, and to First Peoples partner organisations in Australia. We also support education and discipleship within Australia, including through advocacy campaigns, church engagement, events and the production and distribution of educational resources.

The percentage for Projects and Community Education under Disbursements includes Funds to International Programs (59%), Program Support Costs (9%), Domestic Program Expenditure (2%) and Community Education (11%).

Accountability and Administration

Supporting the smooth and effective running of Tearfund by funding its executive, finance, administration, people and culture, IT and customer service functions.

Fundraising

A small amount from each donation is allocated to maintain and grow Tearfund's financial support, ensuring a sustainable organisation for the future.

Thank you

to all our supporters. Together, we work towards a more just and sustainable world in which all people have the opportunity to achieve their God-given potential.



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Uganda

Nakiru spent much of her childhood inside, watching life go by through the doorway of her home. Everything changed when Tearfund's local partner Vision Terudo provided a wheelchair for Nakiru. With it, Nakiru gained not just independence, but the joy of movement, friendship and learning.