

# 2017 ANNUAL REPORT



**Save the Children**

# Every Child Deserves A Future

In Fiji and around the world, we work everyday to give children a healthy start in life, the opportunity to learn and be protected from harm.

When crises strikes children are most vulnerable, we are always amongst the first to respond to and the last to leave.

WE ENSURE CHILDREN'S  
UNIQUE NEEDS ARE MET  
AND THEIR VOICES HEARD

WE DELIVER LASTING  
RESULTS FOR MILLIONS OF  
CHILDREN INCLUDING THE  
HARDEST TO REACH

WE DO WHATEVER IT TAKES  
FOR CHILDREN— EVERYDAY  
AND IN TIMES OF CRISIS -  
TRANSFORMING THEIR LIVES  
AND THE FUTURE WE SHARE

## OUR 2030 AMBITION

**We will do whatever it takes to ensure that all children Survive, Learn and are Protected by 2030.**

We won't inspire breakthroughs for children on our own. We will work hand in hand with children and their communities, our partners and our donors. Only then we will transform the lives of children and make a real difference.

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**There are currently 2.6BILLION children in the world.**

**5.9 MILLION CHILDREN**  
under the age of 5 die from  
preventable causes each year.

**59 MILLION CHILDREN**  
are not in school. Of the children in  
school, **250 MILLION** are not  
learning the basics in reading and  
mathematics.

**Up to 1.5 BILLION**  
**children** experience violence  
each year.

## OUR THREE GLOBAL BREAKTHROUGHS FOR 2030.

### SURVIVE

**NO CHILD DIES** FROM PREVENTABLE  
CAUSES BEFORE THEIR FIFTH BIRTHDAY

### LEARN

ALL CHILDREN LEARN FROM A QUALITY BASIC  
**EDUCATION**

### BE PROTECTED

**VIOLENCE** AGAINST CHILDREN IS NO  
LONGER TOLERATED



# Save the Children FIJI

## Our Vision

is a world in which every child attains the Right to Survival, Protection, Development and Participation.

## Breakthroughs by 2030:

- No child dies from preventable causes before their fifth birthday
- All children learn from a quality basic education
- Violence against children is no longer tolerated

## Our Mission

Is to stimulate breakthroughs in the way the world values children and to achieve immediate and lasting change in their lives.

## To achieve the breakthroughs:

**We will put the rights of the most deprived and marginalised children first in our work and advocate for others to do the same. This will be a key measure of our success.**

**Many factors will be critical to enabling our ambition for children 2030.**

**We will focus on people, innovative technology, our structure and governance as the areas where we need to change and invest.**

## Our Values

are  
Accountability  
Ambition  
Collaboration  
Creativity  
Integrity

# Building a Better World For Children

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



2017 was another productive and challenging year for Save the Children Fiji. February 2017 marked the anniversary of Tropical Cyclone Winston, which had such a devastating impact on Fiji and its people. Save the Children Fiji had been privileged to play a key role in helping to assist children and their families to rebuild their lives following the devastating cyclone. The focus of the first quarter of 2017 was on completing TC Winston response work which included the reconstruction of schools and WASH (hand washing and bathroom) facilities throughout Fiji. The start of 2017 was a time of transition as Save the Children Fiji's TC Winston response work came to a close, staff relocated back to their member countries and the Fiji office scaled back its response operations and staff numbers significantly.

Indeed, 2017 was a year of transition and fresh direction for Save the Children Fiji with a new Board Chair, a new Vice Chair and a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) whose first year had been an extremely demanding and rewarding one. It is always a challenge for Save the Children Fiji to balance the inherent challenges of running a Not for Profit organisation under an international brand- to prioritise the organisation's core work, to execute current projects transparently, submit proposals for new projects and bridge funding gaps. The tireless and dedicated efforts of Save the Children Fiji's staff and in particular its CEO, Iris Low-McKenzie, must be acknowledged.

Every year, Save the Children Fiji receives a steady and considerable number of requests for help from children and families in need. The beginning of each year is always busy, with the provision of school back packs (containing stationery) for hundreds of school children in Fiji. Save the Children Fiji works across its key focal areas which include Health, Disaster Risk Reduction, Education, Child Protection, Child Rights Governance, Child Participation and Humanitarian Response. In 2017, the Child Centred Disaster Risk Reduction project progressed into its second year and a new project, Resilience through Knowledge and Action in Agriculture and Food Security (KANa) project was launched.

Child Protection and Child Safeguarding remain core functions and priorities of Save the Children Fiji. The Child Protection team and the CEO have worked hard to incorporate Child Safeguarding into every project and every facet of its operations. Save the Children Fiji has increased the provision of Child Safeguarding training across the NGO and private sectors.

Save the Children Fiji could not deliver its services without the generous support it receives from its donor partners, including the Government of Australia, Government of New Zealand, corporate and individual donors in Fiji and Save the Children Australia and New Zealand. Save the Children Fiji looks forward to continuing to strengthen its relationships with its donors and partners (including suppliers and partner NGO's) who help to deliver services and support to Fiji's children. As the organization evolves, Save the Children Fiji must ensure it is fit for the future, stays true to its core principles and work and has sustainable income to support core staff and the organization's operational costs.

I feel privileged to work with people who give tirelessly and generously of their time, including the Board members of Save the Children Fiji, its staff, project partners and donors. Behind Save the Children Fiji are dedicated people and partners who are incredibly committed and hardworking. I extend my gratitude to you all and look forward to the challenges that 2018 holds.

Lorraine Reiher  
Board Chair

# ADVANCING OUR WORK FOR CHILDREN



For Save the Children Fiji, 2017 was a year of focusing on core programming and strengthening organizational culture. At the end of 2016, a staff planning workshop allowed us to reflect and recognise where Save the Children Fiji had come from, to identify where we could stand and be counted in the global family, to learn and plan for 2017. Reflecting on proceedings at the workshop, we were clear about the business we wanted “being the go to organization for child rights, governance, participation and protection work in Fiji”. Strengthening organizational culture was agreed to be the key to this and the foundation to do this was well in place.

In 2017, we experienced what it was like for a small Non-Governmental Organisation to scale down after rapidly expanding to respond to a Humanitarian Crisis. While our Tropical Cyclone Winston humanitarian programming continued in 2017, we had to reflect changes in the context, identify remaining gaps and opportunities to provide support for children and communities still suffering from the impacts of Winston. Therefore, a School Feeding program and Livelihoods recovery support program was initiated. Our response programming had a lot of challenges and we learnt a lot along the way and we will build on these to continue to be efficient and effective in humanitarian response.

Resilience to climate change and disaster preparedness are priorities for Fiji as we experience the impacts of climate change which is increasing the frequency and intensity of extreme events and threats to our communities and these have the most impact on vulnerable groups including children. With the need to strengthen the humanitarian to development nexus, Save the Children developed a Child Sensitive livelihoods project focused in two areas most impacted by TC Winston in 2016 – Ra and Koro. Supported through the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) Partnership for International Development Fund and Save the Children New Zealand, the five-year project is worth FJ\$3.9 million dollars and aims to increase the resilience of communities and improve children’s well-being through increased family income, food security and community disaster risk management.

Coordination and Collaboration with our Pacific Partners, Save the Children Australia and New Zealand continue to grow. As part of Disaster READY, a component of the Australian Humanitarian Partnerships (AHP) Program funded by the Australian Government, Save the Children Australia is implementing a regional program focused on building resilience through Cash Preparedness and Education in Emergency. Save the Children Fiji will be supporting the Cash Preparedness activities in Fiji and with the local partners in Fiji, supporting them with Child Safeguarding training and technical support.

With public appeals necessary for many NGOs, it is important to share with those that support our work, how their contributions are making a difference in the lives of children on the ground. I was invited by Save the Children New Zealand in April 2017 to present on the partnership with Save the Children New Zealand at a fundraising event and at their Annual General Meeting in Wellington. We also had the privilege of hosting Save the Children New Zealand’s new CEO, Heidi Coetzee to Fiji in November.

Save the Children Fiji is being increasingly recognised for bringing to the forefront the voices of Children and we continued to take up opportunities to be the voice for children and we will continue to demonstrate how children can participate meaningfully in discussions that impact on them if provided the right platform and adequate support to do so.

Save the Children’s success in positively impacting the lives of children and their communities would not be possible without the extraordinary contribution of our donors, partners, supporters, our committed Board and our enthusiastic team. We are in every way grateful for the support. Together, we can transform children’s lives and together we shall relentlessly endeavor.

In 2017, we will continue to build on these successes, we will focus on growing Save the Children Fiji within the global Save the Children movement, we will work on our business development and focus on our core programming and that is building our child protection programming.

We will continue to advocate that violence against children, wherever it happens, should never be tolerated!

Iris Low-McKenzie  
Chief Executive Officer



# Child Rights Governance and Participation

Kids Link Fiji is a child-led Initiative of Save the Children Fiji.

Child Participation is about valuing and listening to children and learning from them, providing opportunities for our youngest and most vulnerable citizens to voice their opinions about issues affecting their well being.



## Key Focus Areas

**Addressing “Violence Against Children” through Child Participation in Fiji in order to provide children with opportunities to voice their opinions in a respectful manner;**

**Assist children to have their own voices and be heard by the right people about issues that concern them and to strengthen the relationship between children and decision makers.**

## 2017 Activities

### March

- Children’s Symposium in Labasa

### April

- IEC Workshop in Suva
- Children’s Forum in Sigatoka

### May

- Children’s Rights and Leadership Forum in Suva.
- KLF Members and Parents Evaluation Session

### June

- Children’s Symposium in Lautoka
- UNICEF World Children’s Report Workshop in Nadi

### October

- Lami Fun Day with Department of Social Welfare
- KLF representative at National Coordinating Committee for Children

### November

- Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Day held in Nakasi with Department of Social Welfare
- Workshop on draft legislation on Juvenile Act.

### December

- Participation in Voter Education Curriculum Video.



# Policy and Advocacy

Save the Children Fiji's Child Protection program is focused on ending violence against children and Advancing children's rights. In 2017, Save the Children initiated its "Fee for Service" program with the delivery of Child Safeguarding training for NGOs and the Private Sector.

## CIVICUS CONFERENCE

Save the Children, in partnership with ECPAT International facilitated a session on Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) at the CIVICUS conference in Fiji in December 2017. The session included presentations and a panel presentation by Lynnie Roche from Homes of Hope on the Supply and Demand of CSEC, Amita Prasad from Save the Children on research, data and statistics, Rebekah Koefoed from ChildFund on Actions to build technical capacity in the Pacific, and Sarah from Homes of Hope who is an advocate and shared her personal story. Participants agreed that regional cooperation is needed to "choke the demand" for CSEC, that there is a need for consolidation of resources and evidence, for a mapping of actors working on CSEC for strengthened collaboration, for empowerment of women and children, support for victims, need to build a cadre of male advocates and collective action – including Women's groups and Faith based Organisations and most importantly, development actors recognizing that child safeguarding/child protection is not just a cross cutting theme but a huge development issue that requires separate funding.

## KIDS LINK FIJI'S REPRESENTATION ON NCCC

Kids Link Fiji member, Abbas Jiwanji was approved as a member of the National Coordinating Committee for Children (NCCC). He attended his first meeting on Friday 27 October 2017. This was a momentous occasion for Children in Fiji to have a representative speak for the Children at a national Committee.

The NCCC is mandated to oversee the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child in Fiji.

## TALK SHOW ON TV

In August, Program Manager, Amita Prasad appeared on FBC TV's "Speak Your Mind" programme together with Lynnie Roche from Homes of Hope. The programme was focused on Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC). It involved two surviving victims (adults) sharing their experiences as victims (during their childhood).

The objective of our participation was to create awareness on issues of CSEC and to advocate for the prevention and holistic care for the well-being of the surviving and silent victims, pre and post CSE traumatic experience.

## CHILD INCLUSION OFFICER

Save the Children Fiji's Child Protection Officer, Uraia Levaci was seconded to the Ministry of Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation in May, 2017 as Child Inclusion Officer. This secondment is for a period of three years. It provides a good link to government policy work. The Child Inclusion Officer role is to ensure that the child rights based approach is embedded in the disaster risk management and Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation Policy.





# VALUING VOICES - 2017 HIGHLIGHTS

**Valuing Voices Project was launched on 2016 and is a 30 month project funded by European Union and delivered by the British Council in partnership Save the Children Fiji.**

**Overall the project seeks to contribute to democratic process by enabling greater breadth of voice in mainstream media and social media through creative arts.**

## SONG WRITING WORKSHOP



**2 DAY SONG Writing Masterclass workshop was held on 22 and 23 November, 2017.**

**37 participants focused on improving the writing skills using expressive approach.**



## ACTIVE CITIZENS FIJI TRAINING

The British Council, in partnership with iTaukei Trust Fund Board launched the global leadership training programme, Active Citizens Fiji, in May 2017. Active Citizens is the British Council's global leadership training programme which builds skills in intercultural awareness, problem-solving and mentored community engagement.

Working with partners around the globe, the British Council trains participants in the skills and knowledge they need to affect change in their communities. A particular focus of the training was social enterprise and youth leadership and on retaining and revitalising traditional language and culture.

**32 participants from 17 communities around Fiji.**



## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE THEATRE TOUR

From 3 – 15 July a theatre for advocacy workshop was held at the University of South Pacific. This workshop was led by The Conch, an internationally accredited theatre company. The workshop was designed to deliver training to 12 drama students in physical theatre and movement, advocacy training regarding human rights issues, and community theatre leadership. The training culminated with a VIP performance held at the Oceania Centre and a two week tour around Viti Levu, Fiji.

With the support of the iTaukei Affairs Board, the group was granted permission to visit four villages for the purpose of raising awareness on the epidemic of silence around violence against women and children through drama.

**The theatre for advocacy tour was seen as a powerful tool to communicate strong messages such as domestic violence.**

# DISASTER RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM

## CHILD CENTRED DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (CDRR) PROJECT

The five-year CDRR project is focused on institutional strengthening, technical support and community-based Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR). The project takes a child centred approach to strengthening resilience within national and local disaster preparation and management policies and processes, and it is supported by New Zealand's Partnerships for International Development Fund.

The long term outcome of the project will be *Children and communities are more resilient to shocks and able to recover from disasters*. The concrete resilience work in the 30 at-risk communities will advise the national level advocacy and policy work throughout the project.

### TARGET

**30**

Vulnerable Communities

**5,594**

Direct Beneficiaries

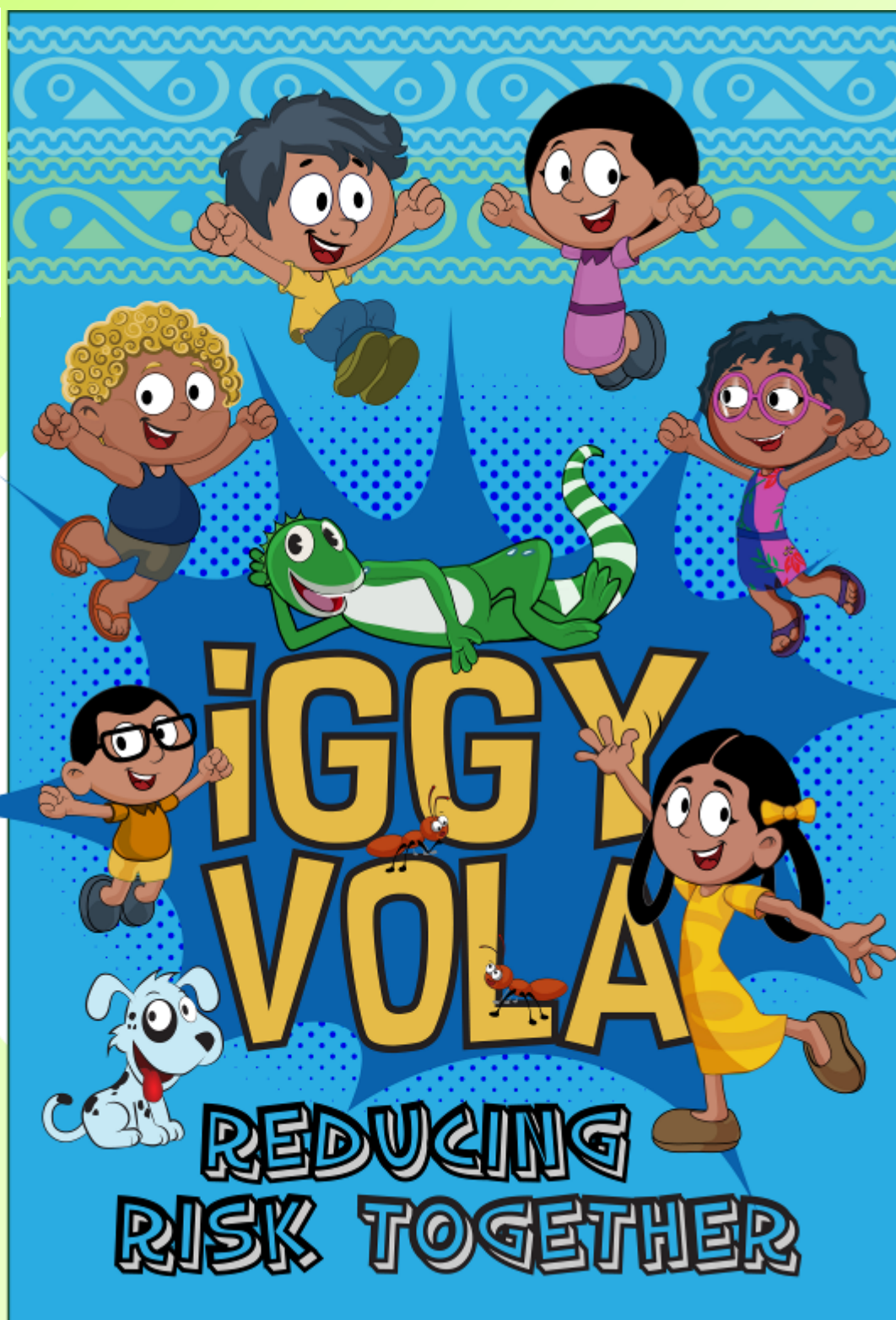
**40,000**

Indirect Beneficiaries

**SC Fiji** was one of the two agencies invited to make a presentation during the National Disaster Awareness Week 13-18 October; the other one being the Fiji Red Cross. Team members attend Fiji cluster meetings (Education, Health and Nutrition, Shelter, WASH, Protection) regularly; advocating for stronger coordination and preparedness.

**Digitalised School Safety** Self-Assessment Survey (SSSAS), was developed in partnership with Ministry of Education to cover all schools in Fiji; providing them automated feedback on how the safety of their own school should be improved. Digitalising the community Hazard, Vulnerability and Capacity Assessments (HVCA) was conducted in 2017. HVCA workshops were already completed in 28/30 communities, which are now in the process of selecting their Community Disaster Management Committee and finalising Community Disaster Plans.

**IEC materials** ("IggyVola" workbook, DRR card game, badges and facilitators' cards) were developed with HealthSongs International and will be rolled out in the DRR clubs during 2018. In addition, two child-friendly pocket brochures containing DRR key messages were printed and disseminated to all our target communities, schools and other stakeholders.





# DISASTER RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM

## CHILD CENTRED DISASTER RISK REDUCTION (CDRR) PROJECT



### Other Activities

CDRR team was also actively involved in the drafting of the DRR policy; to enhance its child centredness.

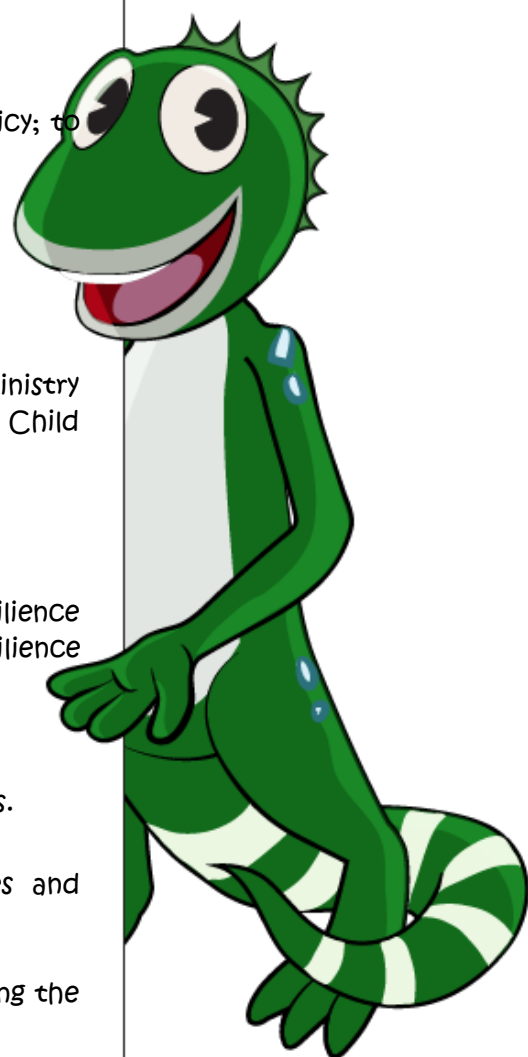
Six trainings on Child Protection in Emergencies (CPiE) were organised in collaboration with Ministry of Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation; the first one as national Training of Trainers and the following ones for inter-agency protection working groups; particularly government departments at district and divisional level. In addition, Ministry of Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation covered the costs of one Child Protection in Emergencies training in the Northern Division and two in Western Division.

Research-into-Practice brief and baseline survey with children were developed. To understand how disasters impact children and how resilience can be built, CDRR project is conducting a long-term research on resilience together with University of Auckland and University of South Pacific.

Collaboration with the Fiji Disabled People's Federation (FDPF) and their members for HVCA trainings and other events in the communities.

30 DRR clubs for children were established in target communities and schools, with twice-monthly meetings and child-initiated activities.

There is already evidence of increased confidence and DRR skills among the 10-17-year-old members.





# DISASTER RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM

## EDUCATION AND WASH ASSISTANCE

With the financial support from the Australian Charter-Organisation Mondiale pour l'Education Laire Project (OMEP), Save the Children Fiji was able to support Nasaucoko Village Early Childhood Education Centre (ECE) with the installation of a 10,000 litre Water Tank, learning materials, tables and chairs and renovated the ECE

The community approached Save the Children Fiji and we sourced funding to meet this request.

### Water Supply

While water source was reliable and could supply the village throughout the day, the ECE experienced no water supply in the day and during school hours. Students often were advised to bring a bottle of water for their usage during school hours.

Even though there was a flush water system available in the toilet, it was often not used because of no water and students had to go back home each time to use the toilet. The ECE teacher and management often had to bring water from the village to fill the water tank for emergencies.

### Learning Centre

There was no ECE furniture for the children, children normally did their activities on the classroom floor.

6 Low Tables and 16 children's chairs were supplied for the school, this now makes learning more conducive and child-friendly for the children.

A Early Childhood Education Kit was supplied and is a box filled with games and learning materials. In the event of a natural disaster, the teacher is able to fill the box with all the learning materials so that they are safe.



# DISASTER RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM

## DROUGHT PROOFING

FORD foundation Global Giving supported kindergartens in the western and northern division two ECE centres in Ra, namely Nausori village Ra and Burenitu and Wailevu Sanatan and Shree Ganesh in the Northern division in Labasa.

A total of \$FJD 30,000 was granted by Ford Foundation. An initial consultation was held with two Early Childhood Education Centres (ECE) in the Northern Division and two in the Western division to determine which ECE centres will be supported with implementation of Disaster Risk Reduction and Drought Mitigation activities.

Save the Children Fiji also consulted Ministry of Education to identify some ECE centres where drought would be an issue and water was a need to ensure children are able to attend classes during drought and are not prone to sickness and diseases. During the initial consultation, drought mitigation awareness raising and trainings were held with School management and kindergarten teachers and in some villagers the Turaga ni Koro when completing the water tank assessment forms during the initial assessment in all the four ECE centres. The training and awareness raising was conducted to a total of twenty people including the teachers in the following ECE centres in the four ECE centres.

Assessments were carried out in all the four ECE centres to ensure that access to clean drinking water and water for use in wash rooms was an issue highlighted in the assessment. The assessment was carried out using a standard questionnaire, analysis on the questionnaire was carried out following which support was provided to these centres. Following which an agreement was made between the ECE centres and SC Fiji. The agreement was signed by both parties. The agreement clearly outlined that upon installation of water tank, labour costs through a payment of FJ\$250 will be made to each community. Following which, water tanks and materials were delivered to each of the centres, the community members along with the ECE management and Ministry of Education got together and installed the water tanks in all the four ECE centres.





# HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

## TROPICAL CYCLONE WINSTON 2016-2017

Our Tropical Cyclone Winston Humanitarian Response programming continued in 2017 working in schools and communities across Viti Levu, Vanua Levu, Taveuni, Lau and Koro islands. In 2017, Save the Children provided:

- **Education** support through Temporary Learning Spaces (TLSs), School Furniture and School Feeding;
- **Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)** support through the rehabilitation of school water and sanitation systems and peer-to-peer hygiene promotion activities; and
- **Livelihoods** recovery support through trainings and community-based co-operative livelihood activities.

Due to ongoing assessments and coordination with key stakeholders, including donors, the private sector, the Government of Fiji and throughout implementation, Save the Children's response was revised in 2017 to reflect changes in the context, and the identification of remaining gaps and opportunities to provide support.

This included:

- **Expansion of livelihoods activities:** Following the first round of implementation of Cash for Work activities in communities immediately after TC Winston, an assessment was conducted to determine the ongoing needs of target communities and whether Cash for Work was still the preferred and most appropriate method of implementation. Given the diversity of geographical and environmental features and existing income generating activities between the communities Save the Children was working in, further livelihoods activities were determined on a case-by-case basis. An In-depth market assessment and extensive community consultation and engagement were carried out to develop livelihoods activities based on the opportunities and strengths present in each location. Initiatives included Bee Keeping (including training), Poultry, Piggery and Canteens.
- **School Feeding Program:** Save the Children re-assessed the needs of our target schools twice in 2017 and continued engagement with other stakeholders to ensure the interventions were meeting the needs of children and teachers. This resulted in the addition of School Feeding activities, including the development of school-based food gardens, to the response.





# HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

## TROPICAL CYCLONE WINSTON RESPONSE, FIJI – SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAM

### Summary

After Tropical Cyclone Winston, Save the Children worked quickly to provide families, teachers and schools the tools needed to allow children to return to class as soon as possible. However, the extensive damage to crops meant that families did not have adequate food or a reliable source of income, which meant that many of those children returning to school were arriving without lunch.

Understanding how crucial nutrition is for concentration at school, Save the Children implemented a school feeding program to help more students get back in to the classroom and moving on with their education. Thanks to support from the Australian Aid program, Save the Children provided 17 schools with funding and support that allowed nutritious lunches to be cooked on site each day for over 2,000 students. Not only did this mean children were able to concentrate better in the classroom, it alleviated financial burden of providing lunch for children on school days, freeing up funds to help families rebuild their lives.



**Name:** Kasaya Dumar, 18 (left, in photo with friend Ateca Shirley, 17)  
**Location:** Ra High School

### Kasaya in her own words:

"Since this is a rural area most families rely on food from the plantation, so when Cyclone Winston struck, most of the crops in the area were damaged. For most families, that's their source of income and their source of food. I remember that after Cyclone Winston, some children came to school with no food. Some of the students last year couldn't come because they had no food. This year we are so fortunate that Save the Children has solved that problem for families."

The school feeding program started at the end of last year. We were provided with lunch every day. For the food, the school buys food that consists of the three food groups with a beverage, which is juice. It's a balanced diet. We have a madam who prepares the food. She has vocational students that help with the preparation. Most students left school after cyclone Winston, as they were ashamed of coming to school without food, but for this year enrolment has increased and more students are coming in."

**Name:** Litiakele, 12

**Location:** School Prefect, Namuniwaqa Village School

### Litiakele in her own words:

"Some of the children were coming to school with little food, because of the cyclone. It destroyed the farms. They had crops and vegetables.

They make chicken and sausages. I have more energy after having food. Food helps children to listen well in the classroom. Lunchtime is my favourite time."



# HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE



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## CASE STUDY

### TROPICAL CYCLONE WINSTON RESPONSE, FIJI – LIVELIHOODS PROGRAMMING

**Name:** Losana Divikaraci, 62  
**Position:** Community Canteen Keeper  
**Location:** Nasau Village, Koro Island



#### Summary

The communities of Koro island were among the worst affected by Tropical Cyclone Winston. The storm caused major damage to the food security and livelihoods of every community on Koro – an island that relied largely on farming for both subsistence and income.

Following extensive community consultation and thanks to funding from the Australia Aid program, Save the Children supported 56 communities to establish co-operative income generating communities, including bee-keeping, fishing equipment and community canteens, such as the one managed by Losana Divikaraci in Nasau Village, pictured.

#### The new Nasau Community Canteen supported by Save the Children:

Before Tropical Cyclone Winston hit Koro Island, Nasau village had five functioning canteens owned and operated by different members of the community. One of these canteens was managed by Losana Divikaraci, 62. Following the cyclone, however, only two of the canteens remained standing. Substantial damage to both stock and structures was suffered.

Save the Children carried out consultations with the Nasau community to determine what livelihoods activities would prove most useful and sustainable to help the community regain and strengthen their livelihoods. With financial and technical support from Save the Children, the community decided to re-establish a community canteen, including assisting with official registration as a Co-Operative through the Ministry of Agriculture. As a Co-operative venture, profits from the community will be shared among community members and items sold in the canteen are bought – and sold – at a cheaper rate to encourage patronage. The canteen is currently set up in Losana's house while the new premises is under construction and is being operated under Losana's existing licence.

The new Nasau Community Canteen has increased access to basic necessities for the households of Nasau village and has also attracted patronage from other nearby communities. In its first week of operation, Losana's canteen sold FJD1500 (AUD960) worth of stock.

Given the short-term nature of Save the Children's involvement in these activities, registration with the Government of Fiji is critical for the sustainability of the project as this allows communities access to government support initiatives such as training schemes, technical support (including bookkeeping) and annual visits to each community.



# CHILD SENSITIVE LIVELIHOODS PROGRAM

## Resilience through Knowledge and Action in Agriculture and Food Security

### KANA PROJECT

Save the Children Fiji was awarded FJ\$3.9 million in November, 2017 by New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT). The five year project aims to increase the resilience of communities in Ra and Koro; improve children's well-being through increased family income, food security and community disaster risk management.

## TARGET

**20**

Rural Communities

**3,512**

Beneficiaries



The Project was launched in December, 2017 by Jonathon Rowe, Counsellor Development Corporation, New Zealand High Commission.

A Value Chain analysis was conducted in Ra and Koro Island by Massey University's consultant, Nick Roskrug with the project team in December, 2017 and January, 2018. This was to determine the current crop production and yields and possible opportunities for other crops to increase income plus supply to the markets.

The team convened stakeholder meetings with key Government Ministries and other stakeholders such as Ministry of Agriculture and its Extension Officers, Ministry of Education, National Disaster Management Office, National Food and Nutrition Centre, Partners in Community Development, Fair Trade, and the Food and Agriculture Office. The project team has established strong relationships with District Officers and Turaga-ni-Koro's in both locations.

A base-line survey will be conducted by the project team in January 2018 in Ra and on Koro Island. The base-line consultations will be led by the Senior Project Officer. The overall objective of this baseline survey is to provide an in-depth understanding on the types of subsistence and commercial agriculture practises that exist in these communities, specifically highlighting the types of crops grown, family income per household and type of food consumed by families.



Save the Children New Zealand's CEO, Heidi Coetzee at the launch



# KANA PROJECT - Launch Snapshots



# FUNDRAISING EVENTS

After a lapse of many years, the Communications and Marketing role evolved in March, 2017 with the appointment of a Communications and Marketing Manager. One of the key focus areas is Fundraising.

Through its good rapport, Save the Children Fiji was able to successfully partner with various corporate Organizations for its fundraising events. This created a very big visibility and branding presence for Save the Children Fiji.

The year started with Save the Children Fiji being confirmed as a charity partner for 2017 Island Chill Suva Marathon, our presence in this event gave us a big boost. While visibility and branding was at its peak, some events created opportunity for Save the Children Fiji to raise funds for the year.

The year saw some new corporates coming on board to assist Save the Children Fiji in its fundraising efforts. First time donations were received from Home & Living, Taubamans, Ba Motor Parts, Foods Pacific, Tri-pacific Limited and from the Chinese Embassy.

The highlight event of the year was the hosting of Save the Children Charity Golf held in August at the Suva Golf Club. Save the Children was humbled to have received a big sponsorship boost of \$5000 from Telecom Fiji Limited.

## FUNDRAISING SUMMARY

Merchandise	5 Types of Merchandise introduced <b>\$1,264.00</b> Total Income	Created the greatest visibility and branding presence for Save the Children Fiji
CHRISTMAS Cards	4 Types made available 3 Custom Designs <b>\$2,545.00</b> Total income	Cards feature children of Fiji
SUVA Marathon	<b>\$2,500</b> Total Income 7 Corporate and Individual Sponsors 45 Runners for Save the Children Fiji	Increased visibility and branding presence for Save the Children Fiji
TENT Hire	17 Hires <b>\$2,950</b> Total Income <b>\$173.53</b> average income per hire	100% of business through social media
CASH Coin Box	<b>\$3,500</b> Launch Donations 3 Locations <b>\$650</b> Collected post launch	Launched with Life Cinema
EDUCATION Assistance	119 students were assisted Fiji Wide	Stationery Kits provided to children whose parents have a single income or combined income of below \$150.00 per week
CHARITY Golf	<b>\$25,390.00</b> Total Income 20 sponsors 24 teams	Biggest revenue earner Great Publicity



## EVENTS THAT RAISED OUR PROFILE



# GOVERNANCE AND ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## GOVERNANCE

Save the Children Fiji is governed by Trustees and a Management Board whose chair is Lorraine Reiher.

## MANAGEMENT BOARD

In 2017, Save the Children Fiji Management Board comprised of Ten board members. Garry Wiseman was inducted as a new board member. Total of four board meetings were held in 2017.

## SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM

Iris Low-McKenzie	Chief Executive Officer
Ben Chand	Operations Manager
Alpana Maharaj	Finance Manager
Amita Prasad	Programs Manager
Vijay Krishna	Communications and Marketing Manager
Vivek Chemmancheri	Humanitarian and Response Program Manager

## LOCATIONS

HEAD OFFICE  
25 Pender Street, Suva  
LABASA OFFICE  
86 Sarwan Singh Street.



# OUR PARTNERS

We are immensely grateful to our corporate, international, private and local donors and partners. In particular we are grateful to Save the Children International members for their support and contributions to allow us to complete the TC Winston Response program.

## INTERNATIONAL DONORS

- Australian Aid Program
- Direct Aid Program
- New Zealand Aid Program
- European Union
- New Zealand Private Trust
- Packard Foundation
- Prem Rawat Foundation
- Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency
- British Council

## GOVERNMENT

- Ministry of Education
- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation
- Ministry of Environment
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of I-Taukei Affairs
- National Disaster Management Office
- Ministry of Local Government

## CORPORATE PARTNERS

- Abbys Faith Rental
- Aon
- Ashpri
- Australia and New Zealand Banking Group
- Ba Motor Parts
- Bank of South Pacific
- Digicel Fiji Limited
- Embassy of China
- Fiji Airways Limited
- Foods Pacific Limited
- Gulabdass
- Home & Living
- Kasabias Limited
- Kims Furniture and Joinery
- Kontiki
- Max Marketing & Publishing Limited
- Motibhai & Company Limited
- R.B.Patel
- RC Manubhai Limited
- Shreedhar Motors
- Standss
- Taubmans
- Tri Pacific
- Telecom Fiji Limited
- Tents and Awnings
- University of the South Pacific
- Vinod Patel & Company Limited
- Vodafone

## CIVIL SOCIETY AND

## DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

- Scope Global
- Australian Volunteers International
- Access to Quality Education Program
- Fiji Early Childhood Teachers Association
- Fiji Disabled Peoples Federation



# The Team Behind Our 2017 Humanitarian Response



Vivek Chemmancheri



Natasha Verma



Sakiusa Buarua



Manasa Niubaleirua



Bronwyn Soko



Benjamin Lee



Malakai Teana



John Bryan Mausio



Isikeli Maravu



Takape Baleiwai Kamunaga



Tieri Ratini



Filomena Soata



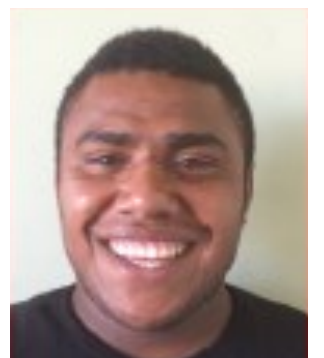
Eroni Wavu



Francis Denis Wele



Viliame Buarua



Vilimoni Nagurawa



# THE MANAGEMENT SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT TEAM



Iris Low-McKenzie, Chief Executive Officer



Alpana Maharaj, Finance Manager



Ben Chand, Operations Manager



Amrita Prasad, Livelihood Project Manager



Vijay Krishna, Communications and Marketing Manager



Kirsi Peltola, DRR Project Manager



Praneet Ram, Finance Officer



Umanglla Lingam, Human Resource Officer



Uraia Levaci, Child Inclusion Officer



Jessica Sukhu, Finance Officer



Jeremy Ah Kee, Logistics Officer



Leone Saumaki, Livelihoods Senior Project Officer



Isireli Roganivatu, DRR Senior Project Officer



Christine Nanise, Child Protection Coordinator



Pita Teana, Office Assistant



Jalesi Young, Logistics Assistant



Peni Bale, Livelihoods Project Officer



Suli Sarosaro, DRR Project Officer



Fuga Dawai, Administration Assistant



Mitu Osborne, Child Protection Officer



Courtney Innes, Child Protection Advisor



Atama Vurebe, Livelihoods Project Officer



Tevita Tokalauvere, DRR Project Officer



Kalpana Singh, Finance Assistant



Ioane Nawalkula, Child Participation Officer



Jofiliti Veikoso, DRR Project Officer



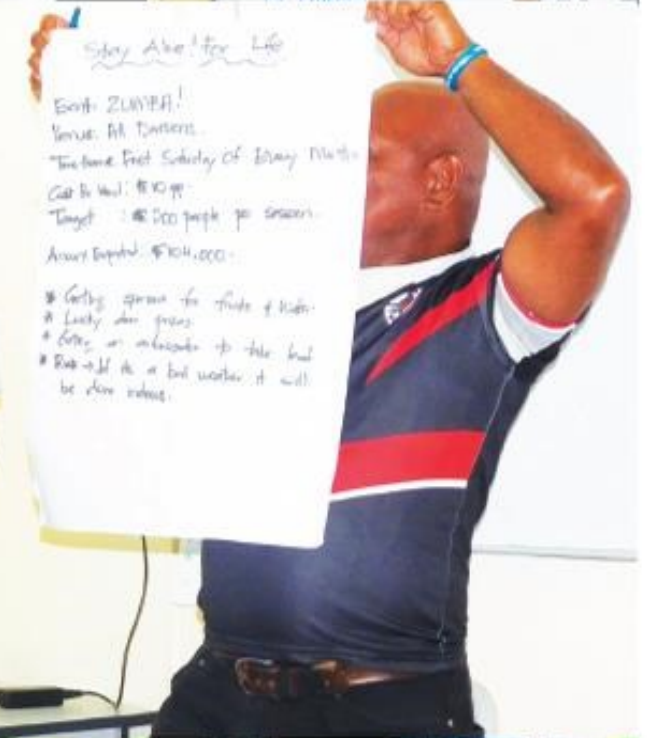
Viliame Wainiu, MEAL Officer



Emeli Anise, MEAL Officer



# PLANNING FOR 2018





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