

Your Impact Report 2023 – 2024

Local Church, Lasting Transformation: how your faithful giving transforms lives

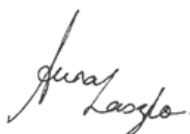
Thank you for your incredible generosity. This report shows how you're changing lives in communities through the power of local churches. Your prayers and donations support churches to become transformation centres, enabling extraordinary impact and forever changing their communities. This collaboration, made possible by your prayers and donations, allows us to have a far greater impact than working alone.

Your investment is making a real difference. Our study, *Local Church, Lasting Transformation*, shows that for every £1 you invest in communities through the church, communities invest £7 worth of their own resources. For example, nine out of ten communities receiving our innovative training improve or build vital facilities like water points, schools and health clinics.

As a result, a staggering social value of £211 is created. At every level, you're building hope, changing lives, and enabling people to flourish economically, socially, personally and spiritually. Thank you.

Your continued support is resourcing this groundbreaking work and ensuring even more communities can be transformed. This report details this amazing success story. Churches and denominations worldwide increasingly invite Tearfund to support and resource them to enable this transformative approach. This wouldn't be possible without your commitment to make a lasting difference.

Thank you.



Anna Laszlo,
Tearfund's Chair of the Board

📍 Valerie, a Transforming Communities facilitator from Zambokro village, Ivory Coast

Photo: Thiombiano Diouadibi Emmanuel Benjamin/Tearfund



Your support is transforming communities

Transforming Communities through local churches is at the heart of so much of what we do: Encouraging the global church to be active and work alongside people hit hardest by poverty.

Your committed support enables churches to drive long-term change, restore families, reawaken hope, reinvigorate communities and build sustainable economic growth. Thank you.

This is how:

- Churches become active, vibrant and live out an integral mission theology in their communities.
- This means community members experience whole-life transformation, restoring their relationship with God, themselves, each other and creation.

* We're still gathering data; the numbers here are from March 2023 to October 2023.

In just the first six months of the year,* your support has led to:

4,131

more local churches actively engaged in transforming their community

412

more denominations and church networks now running Transforming Communities programmes

39

theological training organisations integrating community transformation into their teaching

‘Nobody is too poor here now. Since we started the group, nothing bad has happened to anyone. Never! I pray that God will bless our church and that we will grow.’

Svay Yon from Cambodia, whose life has greatly improved by being part of a Transforming Communities savings and loans group

Photo: Roun Ry/Tearfund



You are helping to care for God’s creation

Environmental and Economic Sustainability: Calling for a world that lives fairly and sustainably, in which everyone can meet their basic needs and extreme inequality no longer exists.

Your support is making sure that environmental protection and economic development go hand in hand in the places where we work. You’re enabling churches and communities to tackle environmental and climate challenges while creating green jobs to improve people’s livelihoods and allow them to prosper. Thank you.

This is how:

- Creating jobs that generate long-term, sustainable income.
- Visibly restoring and enhancing the environment at local, national and global levels, using resources in the most sustainable ways.

This year, your support has led to:

33

changes in policy and practice to better protect the environment

46

countries working on sustainable environment-related projects

10

research papers and resources, 9 events and 2 theological consultations in Africa promoting environmental sustainability

‘Before Tearfund’s partner came, we used to throw away or burn the plastics. They told us how important it was. So we started gathering plastics for them. May God bless and prosper you for helping us! We are grateful.’

Amina from Nigeria, who was given a new source of income collecting discarded plastic

Photo: Anthony Nanmet/Tearfund



Your support is promoting peace and forgiveness

Reconciled Peace-filled Societies: You're training and supporting people to tackle the root causes of conflict to create lasting peace for themselves, their communities and the world.

Your support helps communities to work together across divides to peacefully resolve conflict and violence. By supporting Tearfund, you're equipping churches, faith groups and local communities to address the effects and systemic causes of conflict and bringing lasting peace for themselves, their neighbours and the wider society. Thank you.

This is how:

- Churches and faith communities carrying out effective conflict resolution and driving lasting change at a local level.
- Reducing gender-based violence through awareness and education and increasing women's and young people's participation in community decisions.
- Supporting initiatives that help increase trust and reduce violent conflict.

This year, your support has led to:

3,836

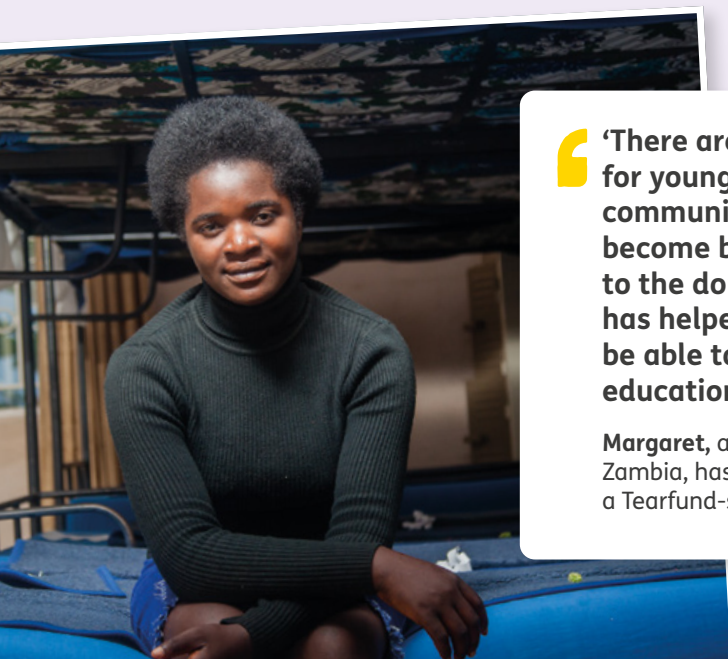
local churches building resilient, peace-filled societies

280

active projects focused on peacebuilding and gender justice

594

community projects focusing on peacebuilding and gender justice



‘There are dangers for young girls in the community. My life has become better since I came to the dormitory because it has helped me a lot. I will be able to complete my education here.’

Margaret, a schoolgirl from Zambia, has found a safe home at a Tearfund-supported dormitory

Photo: Chipema Chinyama/Tearfund



You are helping communities facing disasters and emergencies

Crisis to Resilience: Equipping communities with the skills to prepare for and respond to crises and disasters, and building shared resilience and hope together.

By supporting Tearfund, you're enabling communities to be restored by equipping churches and local communities to be better prepared for disasters. You're helping them respond to emergencies, investing in building resilience in the long term. Thank you.

This is how:

- Local churches and communities are prepared for crises, with plans in place so they can respond better and quicker when disaster strikes.
- People of faith are increasingly recognised as a crucial part of disaster response work.

This year, your support has led to:

923

local churches understanding disaster risks, preparing for crisis and mobilising in response

27

partners trained through our capacity-strengthening programme

119

disaster responses in 28 countries

‘Tearfund was amazing. They financially supported our small business. Now I can buy more items for the store. This will increase the number of customers. The business course covered everything from the first step till the last one.’

Aseel from Syria, whose retail business is now thriving thanks to a Tearfund loan



Photo: Raymond Salloum/Tearfund

Income 2023/24

Thank you for your support!

Here's how generous you have been, and how we have invested your gifts



General donations – 52%
 Gifts donated to Tearfund to support all of our work. This includes money from fundraising events and activities, individuals and churches.



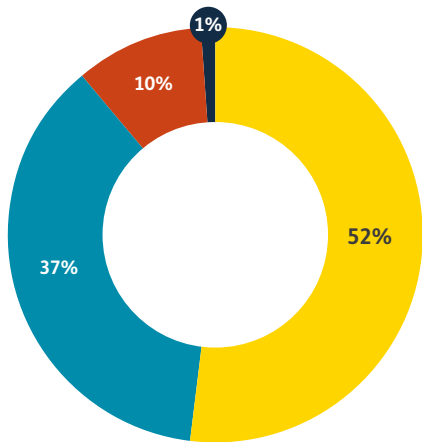
Government grants – 37%
 Grants awarded to Tearfund from sources such as the UK Government and the US Government to carry out work overseas.



Emergency appeals – 10%
 Gifts donated through fundraising events and activities, individuals and churches in response to emergency appeals and disaster situations.



Other income – 1%
 Income from contracts awarded to Tearfund, trading activities and interest from investments.



Total income £82.6m

Expenditure 2023/24

For every pound donated

Your gift follows Jesus to the place of greatest need. This is how we invested the money you entrusted to us...



Transforming Communities
 Local churches releasing whole communities from extreme poverty.



Crisis to Resilience
 Making sure communities are prepared and ready for emergencies.



Environmental and Economic Sustainability
 Helping communities to care for creation and get sustainable jobs.



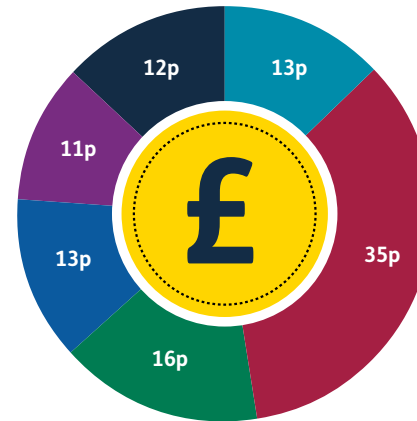
Fundraising
 Raising even more money and support to fund our transformation work.



Reconciled Peace-filled Societies
 Promoting, peace and reconciliation to enable communities to thrive.



Support costs
 Putting robust systems and processes in place, and improving our effectiveness.



Total expenditure £82.7m

‘Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.’

Hebrews 10:23



Thank you

so much for your faithful
support and prayers

'I want to thank all of you who support Tearfund and ask that you continue doing the good work. Because your efforts are not in vain, many lives have been transformed.'

We have seen and heard the impact of the work that has been done in their communities because of your support.'

Carolyn Chinyemba, National Coordinator for Jesus Cares Ministries, a Tearfund partner in Zambia

Poverty is not God's plan. You are.

Every pound you give provides emergency support and life-changing community transformation that move us closer to the end of extreme poverty as we know it. Thank you.

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