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# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

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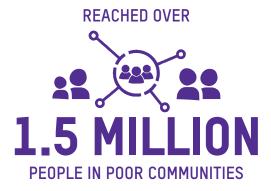


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PARTNER ORGANISATIONS













#### **CLIMATE FINANCE IN ASIA**

In 2022, we worked with 0xfam in Asia to conduct a regional study on the projected needs of and climate finance received by vulnerable countries in Asia. The report highlighted the urgency for adequate, equitable, gender-responsive and locally-led climate adaptation financing in the continent. Working with partners, the key findings of the report were brought to national, regional and international policymakers. This included the side meetings of COP27 in Egypt and Civil 20 Summit in Indonesia, where 0xfam and our partners urged all nations to contribute or mobilise adequate and equitable climate finance.





### SUPPORTING PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITIES IN MAINLAND CHINA

Thanks to the European Union, we were able to work with 183 Disability-focused Civil Society Organisations in mainland China and enhance their capacity to better support people with disabilities. Together with local partners, we nurtured 23 mutual support groups to serve this community, and improved access to different rehabilitation services for more than 8,000 people with disabilities.

### **OUTSTANDING PROJECT EARNS HIGH RECOGNITION**

Our 'Foundation Certificate in Early Childhood Care and Education for Non-Chinese Speaking Learners' was awarded the Social Capital Builder Logo Awards by the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau's Community Investment and Inclusion Fund. The project not only gives ethnic minority youths the opportunity to explore a career path in early childhood education, but also helps ethnic minority children receive better support at school and improves communication between schools and parents. Our project to support ethnic minority children's Chinese language learning, Start from the beginning – Chinese Supporting Scheme for Non-Chinese Speaking Students in Kindergarten (2020 – 2023), was also awarded the 2021 Best Practice Awards in Social Welfare last year. And in early March 2023, we met with Jeff Sze, Under Secretary for Education, Education Bureau; and Ivan Lee, the then Commissioner for Efficiency at the Innovation, Technology and Industry Bureau, to discuss possible ways to work together and address the challenges underprivileged ethnic minority children in Hong Kong face in their education.





### HONG KONG POVERTY REPORT

We released the 'Hong Kong Poverty Situation Report' last year and found that the city's poorest made 47 times less than the richest, which had a lot to do with local wage levels. We submitted a position paper to the government and proposed relevant policy recommendations, which were received positively. They're now studying the review period for the minimum wage and - for the first time - have included the living wage in the reference index for the minimum wage consultation.

# FOREWORD

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#### DEAR FRIENDS,

Partnership is at the heart of our work at Oxfam, and the past year has demonstrated the power of partnership between the people we work with, supporters like you and partner organisations. Together, we've been able to empower and positively impact over 1.5 million people across the globe. Here are some highlights of our work:

- We responded to the devastating earthquake in Turkiye and Syria and rushed lifesaving humanitarian relief to over 80,600 survivors. This includes distributing hot meals and hygiene kits, as well as installing toilets and showers in Turkiye, and trucking clean water, installing water tanks, processing solid waste and more in Syria. And in response to the disastrous food crisis in East Africa, we reached roughly 723,000 survivors in Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia and South Sudan through our humanitarian response. We've not only reached people with clean water and food, but also distributed water treatment kits, rehabilitated boreholes, and offered cash assistance to affected households.
- We worked with 12 communities in rural China to fight climate change especially drought by amplifying affected communities' voices on international platforms like COP15, and collecting and preserving 933 local seed varieties to grow drought-resistant crops, thus improving harvests and farmers' livelihoods. The value of this work in Wangjinzhuang, Hebei Province, for instance, was highly recognised globally. At COP15, our project was selected as one of the '100+ Global Typical Cases of Biodiversity'. Our project even enabled the Shexian Dryland Stone Terraced System there to be certified as a Globally Important Agricultural Heritage System for its contribution to food security, agro-biodiversity, traditional knowledge, cultural diversity, and sustainable equitable development for present and future generations.
- We released the Hong Kong Poverty Situation Report, which revealed that the city's poorest decile of households made 47 times less than the richest decile during COVID, and the government has responded positively to our policy recommendations; for instance, they're now studying the review period for the minimum wage. The government has also included the living wage – something Oxfam Hong Kong has been advocating since 2018 – in the reference index for the minimum wage consultation for the first time. Paying a living wage would ensure that workers earn enough to lead dignified lives for both themselves and their families, thus alleviating working poverty.
- Our 'Start from the Beginning Chinese Supporting Scheme for Non-Chinese Speaking Students in Kindergarten' project has been so successful that the Education Bureau officially recognised it and listed our project website on theirs. The University of Hong Kong has also decided to offer the professional training course we developed as an elective for undergraduate students beginning in the 2024/25 academic year.
- The in-person Oxfam Trailwalker came back with a bang and participants raised over HK\$11 million in support of our work locally and across the globe.

Collectively, we've made incredible strides this year. And as you read on in this annual report, you'll read stories of empowerment and resilience, and how our strong partnerships made them happen.

It's with that same spirit of partnership that we forge ahead with confidence, despite the many challenges that remain. We hope you will continue to work hand-in-hand with us to amplify the voices of the most vulnerable, and deliver immediate and long-term impact as we build a world without poverty.

June 2023



## WHO WE ARE



## OUR MISSION AND VISION

At Oxfam, we believe that no one should live in poverty. That's why we envisage a world free of poverty and the injustices that stem from it; a world where all people are valued and treated equally, and can lead dignified lives.

Oxfam Hong Kong (OHK) is a member of the Oxfam confederation and is part of a global movement for change. Together, we're working with people to create a future that is secure and free from poverty, and we won't stop till our work is done.





## OUR CORE VALUES



We are committed to fighting the injustices of poverty.



We create space for people to become changemakers.



We embrace diversity and believe all are born equal in dignity and rights.



We are true to our mission and hold ourselves accountable in all that we do.



We believe innovation is key to finding solutions to create a world without poverty.

## HOW WE WORK

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At Oxfam, we understand that poverty is a complex issue that needs to be tackled using a sustainable and holistic approach, or what we call our one programme approach. This approach goes beyond simply patching problems. Instead, our programmes link development, humanitarian and influencing work in pursuit of common objectives to fight poverty.

We also take a rights-based approach to our work. This means we believe everyone has the right to live free of poverty.

We can't do any of this on our own though. We rely on strong partnerships and collective action in order to effect change. Partnering with people who experience poverty, partner organisations, donors and all of our supporters is indispensable to our work. In fact, building a strong network of collaborators is integral to realising a world without poverty.

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## MONITORING, EVALUATING AND LEARNING

To ensure our work is effective, we regularly monitor, evaluate and learn from our projects and programmes. At the core of this process is the participation of various stakeholders, especially the vulnerable groups with whom we work. Aside from relying on the expertise of our programme staff and local partners, communities themselves identify their needs and give feedback, and we work together to find sustainable and innovative solutions.

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

DONE PROGRAMME APPROACH

ADVOCACY & DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION

# THANK YOU, OXFAMILY!

Partnership is crucial to empowering people to overcome poverty. Thanks to our incredible allies, we were able to reach over 1.5 million people this year and make strides in the fight against poverty!



#### TIMOTHY SUN – STAUNCH SUPPORTER AND MOBILISER

In 2017, Nancy Loo – Oxfam Musical Ambassador and my mentor – invited me to join the Oxfam Musical Marathon. Since then, I've brought my students with me every year to raise money for Oxfam Hong Kong because I really identify with what they're doing for those from grassroots communities. My students' parents have also been incredibly supportive. Together, we not only raise a significant sum each year for Oxfam, but also empower the kids that take part to help others if they have the ability to do so.

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#### NG KA IAN JO – DEVOTED DONOR AND VOLUNTEER FROM MACAU

'To give is more blessed than to receive' sounds like a cliché, but it is absolutely true to donors and volunteers of Oxfam in Macau, including me. Thanks to Oxfam,



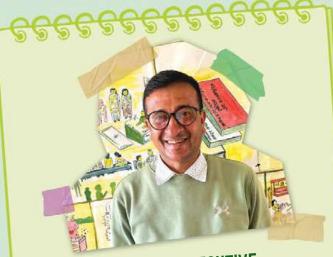
our donations and voluntary work become more influential and meaningful. During my donor trip to Ethiopia 2016, I was particularly impressed by the dairy project, which empowered women in Jijiga financially by setting up cooperatives (mainly run by women), which were in charge of milk production. They gained market access, financial literacy and enhanced their overall capacity. We—mankind—are all entitled to human rights, regardless of gender and race. It's collective and collaborative action that has a positive impact on poverty and injustice of all kinds!

### LOUIS WONG - UNWAVERINGLY COMMITTED VOLUNTEER

I've been volunteering with Oxfam for over 20 years. I've been helping with a whole range of things: from photography and taking videos, to driving Oxfam staff to different Oxfam Trailwalker checkpoints to ensure a smooth event, to selling rice at the Oxfam Rice Event. My involvement here all started with the Oxfam Trailwalker. I felt Oxfam's work was incredibly meaningful, so offer my

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meaningful, so after my second Oxfam Trailwalker, I signed up as a volunteer. I've taken part over 10 times and absolutely love the atmosphere among staff, volunteers and participants. More than that though, by volunteering, we can help others, and that's why I've been a volunteer for so long!



### GOVIND RAJ JOSHI, EXECUTIVE Director of Rudes - Partner and Ally in Nepal

RUDES has been working with Oxfam over the past few years. We're glad that Oxfam shares the same goals with us in strengthening women economic empowerment and sustainable climate resilience livelihood in communities. After partnering with Oxfam, we are able to expand the project to remote areas of the district where the government hasn't covered.

We work closely with Oxfam staff. With their support, we learnt how to connect better with communities. Different tools were provided by Oxfam – they are now mainstreamed in our project implementation. Women in the community have broadened their horizons and their leadership skills have improved. Together with Oxfam, we are striving for positive changes in communities!

#### LI XIAOFENG, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF XIAOJINYAN COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER, PANYU DISTRICT, GUANGZHOU – PARTNER IN MAINLAND CHINA

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Oxfam is a long-term partner that has accompanied us as we have continued to grow over the years. We have served and accompanied more than 5,000 migrant children over the past decade; some of whom are now our monthly donors and are giving back to the community. We believe that the best way to support a child is to create a community full of love and beauty. Through activities such as festivals for migrants to build community, allowing migrant children to borrow games and books, and organising a variety of classes, as well as storytelling sessions led by migrant mums, we're working with over 2,000

migrant worker families to explore ways to help children have happy childhoods as we continue to grow together as a community.



#### DELOITTE OXFAM TRAILWALKER TEAM - LONG-TIME PARTICIPANTS AND SUPPORTERS

Deloitte has a long history of participation in the Oxfam Trailwalker, with consistent participation since 1988; our current team leader of Deloitte 0001, Perry Wong, has even participated in the OTW since 2005.

The OTW allows us to bring a competitive spirit to what we love, plus we are able to raise funds and give back to society, and make an impact that matters. Oxfam's commitment to the fight against poverty also involves a lot of planning and trust amongst teams from all walks of life – we believe such values are aligned and we will continue to support the OTW and their great cause.

## HUMANITARIAN RELIEF



#### REACHING SURVIVORS THROUGH STRONG PARTNER NETWORK IN POST-EARTHQUAKE TURKIYE

A devastating earthquake hit large parts of southern Turkiye and northern Syria on 6 February. We quickly responded in both countries with food, clean water and hygiene items.

In Turkiye, Oxfam has been working with women's cooperatives in some of the worst impacted provinces to support survivors. Having a solid network of partners made up of women's groups before the earthquake, we were able to quickly set up community kitchens staffed by women affected by the earthquake. Through these kitchens, the women have been cooking and distributing 750 hot meals a day.

Some of the elderly women in the cooperative experienced two major earthquakes in their life. Some of them are Syrian refugees who escaped conflict and fled to Turkiye, but once again lost everything. Can you imagine losing everything again and again?

Despite this, the ladies displayed incredible strength and compassion. They chose to cook meals and make bed sheets for those in need. One woman shared, 'I am here because I need to be, we need to show solidarity.'



REACHED MORE THAN 80,600 PEOPLE with lifesaving aid in turkiye and syria

'Forming partnerships may take longer at the beginning, but they help improve understanding and enhance collective relationships, which is essential to helping survivors rebuild their lives.'



Kate Lee Senior Officer -Humanitarian & Disaster Risk Management





#### UNLEASHING THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIP IN AN EMERGENCY

Since June 2022, many places in southern China have been hit by torrential rains, which have caused severe floods. Lingchuan County, Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, was the worst affected last summer, with a population of 160,000 and more than 12,000 hectares of crops affected. In response, Oxfam and its partner Guizhou Blue Sky Rescue Team immediately rushed emergency relief to the area. We also obtained HK\$1,688,000 from the Disaster Relief Fund of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government to distribute rice to more than 22,800 survivors. Ma Minggou, a villager in Lijia Village, Daxu Township, said with a smile, 'This is the best local high-quality rice I've received. It's very fragrant!'

In addition to emergency relief, we also provide training for partners and volunteers to enhance their emergency response capacity, and their understanding of international humanitarian standards. With the strength of our partners, we can reduce the risk of disasters in the community in the long run.



MORE THAN **253 TONS** OF HIGH-QUALITY RICE WERE DISTRIBUTED TO VILLAGERS

'With the strength of our partners, we can reduce the risk of disasters in the community in the long run.'



Lei Guangqing Programme Officer

## SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS IN JUST EC



#### EMPOWERING ETHNIC MINORITY INFLUENCERS

In recent years, more and more ethnic minorities have become popular influencers on social media. They're not only influential, but have also been able to encourage people to learn about different cultures and break down cultural barriers. To empower more ethnic minority youths to expand their career horizons and enhance their social mobility, 0xfam Hong Kong partnered with Social S to provide 40 ethnic minority youths with sports influencer training and internship opportunities. More than half of the participants became sports ambassadors and performers at local large-scale events, which gave them valuable work experience.

I appreciate this innovative project because successful graduates will have broader career development opportunities, and by becoming ambassadors, will more proactively share their experiences with others. They'll also be more confident in working with different people and break through the barriers many ethnic minorities face in their career development in Hong Kong.



**86%** of participants increased their job search and job skills

'By becoming sports ambassadors, ethnic minority youths will be more confident in working with others, and break through barriers many ethnic minorities face in their career development in Hong Kong.'



Crystal Lam Senior Manager -Hong Kong Programme

# ONOMIES



#### BUILDING STRONG PARTNERSHIPS TO BOOST INCOMES AND KEEP CARDBOARD OUT OF LANDFILL

Despite its small size, Macau generates more municipal solid waste per capita than neighbouring cities Hong Kong and Guangzhou. In 2022, Macau produced 109,644 metric tons of paper/cardboard waste, with only 22.5 per cent being recycled – in part thanks to cardboard collectors. These collectors are often elderly individuals supporting loved ones affected by illness or job loss. It's tough though. They can lose what little they've earned when they're fined for blocking the street with their cardboard. The narrow sidewalks also force them to push their carts amid traffic.

Seeing this, we launched the 'Project for Paper Recycling and Supporting the Paper Recycling Workers' in September 2022 to bring recycling companies, businesses and cardboard collectors together to boost recycling rates, reduce landfill waste, and increase cardboard collectors' incomes. By building a network of cardboard collectors and learning about their work, we hope to create safer 'recycling routes' with recycling companies. They'd receive the cardboard at agreed times and lend carts to collectors while they wait for their cardboard to be processed, so they can gather more cardboard and increase their incomes. Building invaluable partnerships like this would create a win-win situation for people and planet.



DEVELOPED NETWORK OF **32 CARDBOARD** COLLECTORS TO KEEP PAPER/CARDBOARD OUT OF LANDFILL

'We aim to bring recycling companies, businesses and cardboard collectors together to improve the recycling rate, decrease what's going to landfill, and increase cardboard collectors' incomes.'



Esther Ng Assistant Education Manager

## CLIMATE EMERGENCY



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#### COLLABORATION CRUCIAL TO TACKLING CLIMATE CHANGE WITH CLEANERS

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Extreme weather is becoming increasingly common, but this poses a serious threat to the health of workers who work outdoors for extended periods of time. Concerned about the rights and interests of workers from lower-income backgrounds, we published our 'Sanitation Workers' Working Conditions at Refuse Collection Points (RCPs) in Extreme Heat' report in 2022, which revealed that the average temperature inside refuse stations is higher than it is outside, and more than 65 per cent of workers often feel unwell working in these stations because of the stifling heat.

To address this, we urged the government to revise its 'Prevention of Heat Stroke at Work in a Hot Environment' guidelines and have successfully worked with other organisations to lobby the government to establish a heat index. We also worked with businesses and donors to distribute portable fans to more than 4,000 cleaners. These efforts helped draw attention to the working conditions of more than 40,000 outsourced cleaners in Hong Kong. Further, our study not only offered deeper insight into the impacts of climate change on workers, but also highlighted the importance of cross-sector collaboration to help vulnerable communities adapt to climate change.



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THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HEAT INDEX HAS DRAWN ATTENTION TO THE SITUATION OF **OVER 40,000** OUTSOURCED CLEANERS IN HONG KONG

'Cross-sector partnerships are crucial to addressing increasingly complex social issues.'



Photo: Isaac Chan / Oxfam

Terry Leung Assistant Research and Advocacy Manager



## SMALL SEEDS, BIG WISDOM: COPING WITH CLIMATE CHANGE

Villagers from Wangjinzhuang Village have long lived in a challenging natural environment, but have developed a sustainable way of life. However, in recent years, climate change has posed enormous challenges to local agriculture. To address this, OHK and its partner, Farmers' Seed Network, have supported the establishment of the Wangjinzhuang Farmers' Seed Bank, which stores more than 170 locally adapted varieties. The villagers consider the establishment of this public space to be a showcase of their achievements in preserving seeds. They also see it as a reminder that old seeds are quietly becoming scarce. It is essential for everyone to work together to inherit survival wisdom, strengthen the farmer seed system, and safeguard the future. On this basis, we have developed a set of planting and management methods that adapt to climate change. We shared these sustainable agricultural practices at the 15th Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity, where the 'Montreal Declaration: Small Women Farmers Promoting Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Use' was released. Given the fact that the majority of small farmers are women, the declaration calls on countries to recognise the role of smallholder women farmers in maintaining seed diversity, protecting ecological diversity, and addressing climate change.



### SUPPORTED

12 COMMUNITIES AND ECOLOGICAL FARMS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO COLLECT AND PROTECT 933 LOCAL VARIETIES

'Protecting seed diversity has not only empowered rural communities to protect their livelihoods but has also given them the power to fight climate change with confidence.'



Hong Liwei Programme Officer

# GENDER JUSTICE



#### 27 MINDFUL MOMS EMPOWERED TO IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH

It's no secret that being a mom can be challenging at times. But being a mom from a poorer background can add another layer of anxiety for many. With the rise in mental health issues among children and the pressures of school, their kids often feel it too. Access for these families to mental health services is limited though given how unaffordable they are. That's why together with our partner Childhood Is Limited, we've empowered 27 moms with mindfulness techniques through activities like mindful stretching and handcrafting. With these skills, they not only learn to address their own anxiety, but also lead workshops to support kids' mental well-being while earning an income.

It's also improving parent-child relationships. One mom said: 'I used to feel helpless taking care of my autistic son. After going through mindfulness training though, I've learnt to accept him. Now, when he misbehaves, I choose to hug him first so he knows that I still love and accept him. This has really helped our relationship.'



**200+ KIDS** FROM LOWER-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS JOINED MOMS' MINDFULNESS CLASSES

'We're empowering moms holistically: from taking care of their mental health to improving their relationships with their families to boosting their incomes.'

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Enoch Ng Project in-charge





#### EMPOWERING HUNDREDS OF WOMEN IN NEPAL TO FIGHT GENDER INEQUITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

With their husbands working abroad but unable to earn enough, women in Baitadi district, Nepal, are left to grow crops to support their families. With climate change though, this is becoming increasingly challenging. The resulting lack of income, however, means a lack of agency and adds to the vulnerability many women there already experience.

To address this, we have been supporting the Gender Responsive Economic Empowerment Project in Nepal since 2021. Together with our partner RUDES, we're running the Women Empowerment Center, where women learn how to combat climate change and gender inequity through skills training, leadership and business workshops and such. Now, 381 women have learnt more climate resilient ways of growing crops, enabling them to earn an income instead of waiting for their husbands to bring money back. Thirty-eight women have also started their own businesses. One said, 'I'm now able to manage my own family finances, I can support my household expenses and my children's school fee, I can even save up for the future.' And with the women's empowerment training, women now understand the importance of having their own legal identities, speaking up for themselves and participating in community affairs.



**381 WOMEN** WERE EMPOWERED TO GROW CLIMATE RESILIENT CROPS AND IMPROVE THEIR LIVELIHOODS

'RUDES and Oxfam share the same vision of empowering women in remote areas, and have brought women communities together; women are now willing to speak up and fight for what they need.'



Mandy Leung Programme Officer -International Programme

# ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY



### **OXFAM TRAILWALKER 2022**

Unable to hold an in-person Oxfam Trailwalker (OTW) in November 2022, we quickly created a two-part event: a virtual event in November 2022, and an in-person event in February 2023. We held the virtual event as a training ground for participants in the leadup to the in-person OTW, which made an incredible comeback after three long years! We saw roughly 1,600 participants set off on the trail, and the first team (pictured below) came in at just 11 hours and 38 minutes, making them the fastest Hong Kong team since 2009!



### **OXFAM RICE EVENT**

Through the Oxfam Rice Event in 2022, we distributed four tons of rice to families living in poverty to alleviate the acute pressure they continued to experience in the wake of the most severe wave of COVID in Hong Kong. To help us make a bigger impact, Oxfam Ambassador Sammy Leung and our well-known friends JW, Chu Fun, and Ng Yip Kwan amplified our message on social media, which allowed us to reach around 800 families. Carrying on this spirit of generosity, Anson Lo's fans celebrated his birthday on 7 July by generously donating 400 one-kilogram bags of rice through Oxfam Hong Kong to those in need. One recipient said: 'Thank you, Anson, for taking care of the elderly!'







### **OXFAM MUSICAL MARATHON**

Through the Oxfam Musical Marathon, we encouraged musicians to fight poverty with us using their talents. As part of the event, we launched our first green NFT Art Jamming initiative as one of the prizes to encourage more participants to join us. Through the event, music lovers had the opportunity to showcase their talents, make a difference in the lives of people living in poverty in Hong Kong and around the world.

#### **OXFAM TOWERRUN**

Photo: CHAN I WUN

Photo: Soul

Over 460 people signed up for the Oxfam TowerRun, which took place on 16 October, and learnt about the impacts of climate change on those living in poverty. To raise awareness about this, Oxfam Ambassador, Siufay; well-known runner in Macau, Vivi Cheung; Miss International Macau, Dinelle Wong; and about a dozen sports/lifestyle influencers helped us get the word out. Through their efforts, we received widespread support from the community in Macau!

## **RETHINK POVERTY • EMPOWERMENT MARKET**

To mark the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, we launched Rethink Poverty • Empowerment Market – a continuation of our Rethink Poverty campaign in 2021. The event, which ran between 18 and 23 October, not only raised awareness about Oxfam's work, but also featured eight local partners to highlight the importance of partnership and show what empowerment looks like.

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SEE HOW WE'RE EMPOWERING OUR PARTNERS TO FIGHT POVERTY



Photo: Oxfam

oto: Sunsun Leur

### OXFAM'S LIFE WIDE LEARNING PROGRAMME

Photo: Enoch Ng/C

Over the past year, we've tailormade learning programmes for close to 1,600 students in 10 primary and secondary schools. Through interactive games, dramas, and human-library like activities, students not only learn about poverty more holistically, but are also empowered to come up with solutions, take action, and care for low-income communities locally and globally.

Ms. Kong, a teacher from the Po Leung Kuk Wong Wing Shu Primary School, said, 'Through this service-learning activity, students not only gained a deeper understanding of poverty in Hong Kong, they also realised that those from lower-income backgrounds aren't just in need of financial assistance, but also respect and care.'

### EXPANDING WORKSHOPS TO EDUCATE GLOBAL CITIZENS

To help more students broaden their horizons and be empathetic global citizens, we redesigned two workshops: 'A Girl Without a Home' – a simulation workshop about refugees, and 'The Story Behind Chocolate' – an interactive workshop that helps students learn about ethical consumption, child labour and globalisation. This enabled students from the same grade to participate in the workshops at the same time; through these efforts, we reached about 300 students.

After joining 'A Girl Without a Home', one student said, 'I only just learnt that refugees experience many challenges, including the lack of access to toilets and clean water. I had never thought about how refugees felt [before joining this workshop].' Speaking about 'The Story Behind Chocolate', one teacher said, 'The workshop can be used in conjunction with the Primary Six curriculum and allows students to understand the relationship between the rich and poor.'





### THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE

Using design thinking tools, we worked with La Violet Education to help 143 students from six secondary schools learn about the challenges poor communities in Hong Kong and around the world face because of climate change. With the guidance of a multimedia teacher, the students created videos to raise awareness about climate change and poverty.

WATCH SOME OF THEIR VIDEOS HERE!



Photo: Oxfam

## THANK YOU

#### **GROUPS/ASSOCIATIONS**

Associação Nacional dos Calígrafos de Macau CHI HA YUEN LIMITED Chinese Medicine Professional Tui-Na Association, Hong Kong Crossroads Foundation General Association of Athletics of Масац Himalaya Sports Candy and Hong Kong Sport Academy Hong Kong Adventure Corps Hong Kong Air Cadet Corps Hong Kong Amateur Radio Transmitting Society Hong Kong Hiking Meetup Hong Kong Physiotherapy Association Hong Kong Podiatrists Association Hong Kong Professional Chinese Calligraphers Association Hou Chon Sports Club lao Hon Sun Tou Tong Macau Artistes Association Macau New Media Cultural Association Macau Pageant Alliance New Opportunity Company Limited PILnet Hong Kong Po Leung Kuk Jockey Club Pak Tam Chung Holiday Camp Po Leung Kuk Jockey Club Tai Tong Holiday Camp Scout Association of Hong Kong Sunset Peak Volunteer Unit Swire Properties Community Ambassador The Boys' Brigade, Hong Kong The Green Earth The Royal Hong Kong Regiment (The Volunteers) Association Trailwalker Teaching Room Voluntary Mount Search Team 杜佩玲書法基金會 ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS/SCHOOLS AOG St. Hilary's College (Primary Section) Assembly of God Union Church Kindergarten Buddhist Hung Sean Chau Memorial College Buddhist Wong Cheuk Um Primary School Canadian International School of Hong Kong Colégio de Santa Rosa de Lima -Secção Chinesa

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Shek Lei St. John's Catholic Primary School

Singapore International School (Hong Kong)

Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Wong Tai Sin Kindergarten Cum Day Care Centre

St. Edward's Catholic Primary School

St. Hilary's Primary School

St. Patrick's School

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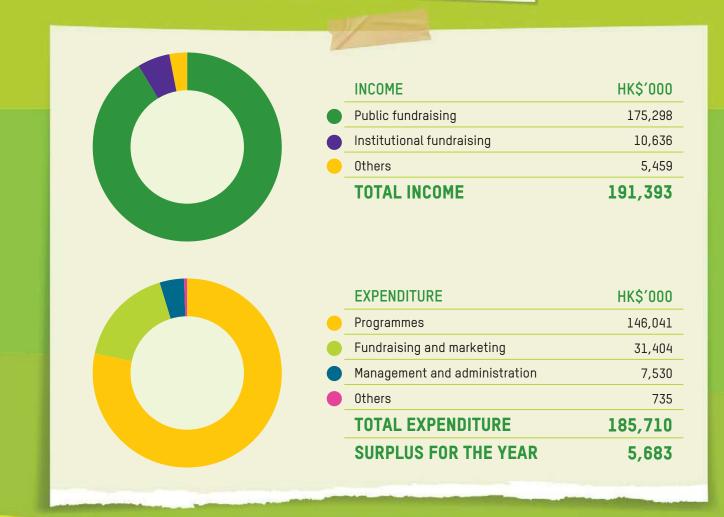
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## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## **INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**



### **PROGRAMME EXPENDITURE**

### **BY EXTERNAL CHANGE GOALS**

EXPENDITURE	HK\$'000
Sustainable Livelihoods in Just Economies	77,080
Gender Justice	17,591
Climate Justice	20,039
Humanitarian Relief	31,331
TOTAL	146,041

## FINANCIAL POSITION

Assets and Liabilities	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	50,927
Property, plant and equipment	50,927
Current assets	121,278
Inventories	4
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	6,416
Cash and bank balances	114,858
Current liabilities	32,841
Accounts and other payable	22,206
Grants payable	1,949
Deferred revenue	8,686
NET ASSETS	139,364

Reserves	HK\$'000
Restricted funds	16,103
Operation reserve	123,261
TOTAL RESERVES	139,364

These financial highlights are based on Oxfam Hong Kong's financial accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023. The full audited financial statements by KPMG are available on our website, www.oxfam.org.hk. All figures are in Hong Kong dollars.



# FINANCIAL REPORT

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#### CONTINUOUS PUBLIC SUPPORT

We are grateful for the generosity of our donors who have continued to support us under this challenging fundraising environment.

Donations from the public amounted to HK\$175.3 million, which represented 92% of our total revenue.

This year, we raised HK\$5.2 million from the public for disaster relief work. This included HK\$3.8 million for the earthquake in Turkiye and Syria, and HK\$1.2 million for the East Africa Food Crisis.

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Disaster Relief Fund granted us HK\$5.5 million to provide disaster relief support of HK\$3.8 million and HK\$1.7 million for the floods in Bangladesh and Guangxi province in mainland China respectively. Furthermore, we received HK\$3.1 million from the Government to support projects in Hong Kong and a subsidy of HK\$2.1 million under the Employment Support Scheme.

#### **INVESTMENT IN PROGRAMMES**

A total of HK\$146.0 million was spent on programmes this year, which represented 79% of our total expenditure.

With regard to emergencies, we spent a total of HK\$22.6 million on our humanitarian responses, including HK\$8.2 million for the floods in Bangladesh, Pakistan and mainland China, HK\$3.1 million for droughts in Kenya and Ethiopia, HK\$3.5 million for the humanitarian crises in Bangladesh and Colombia, and HK\$1.8 million for the earthquake in Syria. Moreover, HK\$6.0 million was spent on recurrent emergencies such as public health, cyclical and climate-related disasters in mainland China and other places around the world.

We categorise our programme expenditure by External Change Goals; the goal we invested in the most was Sustainable Livelihoods in Just Economies, which amounted to HK\$77.1 million, or 53% of our total expenditure. Through this goal, we aim to secure and enhance sustainable livelihoods in a just economy. We also spent HK\$31.3 million on the goal Humanitarian Relief. Through this goal, we aim to support vulnerable communities to build resilience to disasters and provide life-saving support during emergencies. Highly concerned about the climate, we spent HK\$20.0 million on the goal Climate Justice this year. Our work in this area aims to mitigate the impacts of climate change on vulnerable and poor communities, and support them as they adapt to it. We also spent HK\$17.6 million on the goal Gender Justice this year. Through this goal, we aim to advance gender equality and eliminate gender-based discrimination.

#### RESERVES

In 2022/23, we recorded a surplus of HK\$5.7 million. At the end of the financial year, our reserves stood at HK\$139.4 million, representing an increase of 4% from last year. The surge was brought about by saving in expenditure and the receipt of a bequest in the last month of the year. The reserves include HK\$16.1 million in restricted funds and HK\$123.3 million in operation reserves. This demonstrates that we have been able to maintain and ensure our financial health.

#### ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES

Whenever we make an appeal for a humanitarian disaster, we cover the core operational costs using our central funds, thereby ensuring that every dollar donated by the public goes to the urgent work at hand. A separate account is established for each emergency. We are also committed to accountability in terms of governance, compliance and controls, codes and standards, and transparency and communication (with further details on the next few pages).



# OUR COMMITMENT TO ACCOUNTABILITY



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#### OUR COMMITMENT TO ACCOUNTABILITY

We are true and loyal to our vision and mission. We are committed to principles of integrity, good governance systems and best practices, and hold ourselves, stakeholders and partners accountable.

LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW WE HOLD OURSELVES ACCOUNTABLE

#### GOVERNANCE

OHK's governing body, the Council, is responsible for the organisation's legal, ethical, strategic and administrative governance, as well as risk management. The Council helps formulate our strategies, guide and monitor our work, and oversee the expenditure of our programmes. The Council has also formed and delegated specific powers to several Committees.

#### **COMPLIANCE & CONTROLS**

As a company limited by guarantee registered in Hong Kong, OHK complies with the relevant requirements set out in the Companies Ordinance. We are also a tax-exempt charity pursuant to Section 88 of the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112). Our charitable status is regularly reviewed and confirmed by the Inland Revenue Department.

OHK strictly adheres to the financial standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Oxfam Confederation Financial Standards. Our financial statements are audited in accordance with the Hong Kong Standards on Auditing and the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards.

Internally, we devise robust systems and processes to hold ourselves and those we work with accountable. The Finance, Risk and Audit Committee, chaired by the Treasurer of the Council, meets regularly to review all financial, risk, auditing and internal control issues related to the organisation. Moreover, the Committee supervises the internal audit function within the organisation. This enables us to evaluate and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our risk management practices, control frameworks and governance processes.

#### **CODES & STANDARDS**

OHK upholds the highest ethical standards to protect our employees and the communities we work with, and have zero tolerance for sexual harassment, exploitation and abuse in our organisation. Our staff, partners, governance members and volunteers are all bound by Oxfam's Joint Code of Conduct. We have a comprehensive set of safeguarding policies, which include our Whistleblowing Policy. Oxfam staff and members of the public can report misconduct through our whistleblowing channels. In the 2022/23 fiscal year, no safeguarding cases related to OHK were reported.

OHK also adheres to international standards, charters and best practices that guide the principles of our work on humanitarian response and disaster relief, as well as in the monitoring and evaluation of our strategies and programmes.

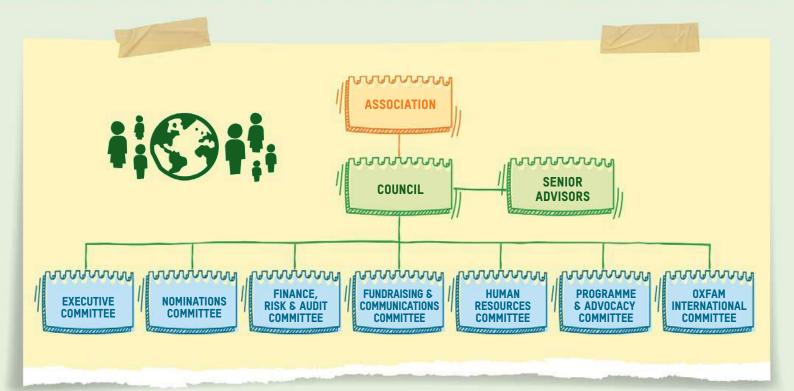
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#### TRANSPARENCY & COMMUNICATION

Every year, to ensure transparency in our work and use of funds, we publish our Annual Report and post it on our website together with the Audited Financial Statements. We also communicate actively and regularly with our donors and supporters through our newsletter – the Oxfam Express – and other publications, direct mailings, social media platforms, and public engagement events.

## OUR GOVERNANCE



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OHK is governed by a Council. The Council members are elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Association of OHK. The Council appoints members to its Committees, which are chaired by Council members. All Council, Committee and Association members serve on a voluntary basis.

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# Formerly a Member

- <sup>^</sup> Regained Member Status thereafter
- (until 10 December 2022)
- <sup>8</sup> Formerly the Vice Chair
- \* Formerly an Observer

## OXFAM CONFEDERATION

OHK is one of the 21 Oxfam Affiliates that are working together as the Oxfam International Confederation. All Oxfam Affiliates are independent entities that have their own governing boards and are managed and financed independently. The Oxfam International Secretariat coordinates and facilitates collaborations among the Oxfam Affiliates for greater impacts on combating poverty and injustice worldwide. Currently, there are also two prospective affiliates.

Oxfam is working in about 90 countries and regions. These include where our Affiliates operate and where we run our humanitarian/development programmes and advocacy and public engagement campaigns. Apart from contributing and sharing our knowledge and experience on various fronts collectively and as part of the Confederation, in FY2022/23, OHK focused its funding support on 23 of these countries and regions.

- 1. Oxfam America (USA)
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- 3. Oxfam in Belgium
- 4. Oxfam Brasil
- 5. Oxfam Canada
- 6. Oxfam Colombia
- 7. Oxfam Denmark
- 8. Oxfam France

- 9. Oxfam Germany
- 10. Oxfam Great Britain
- 11. Oxfam Hong Kong
- 12. Oxfam India
- 13. Oxfam Intermón (Spain)

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- 14. Oxfam Ireland
- 15. Oxfam Italy
- 16. Oxfam Mexico

- 17. Oxfam Aotearoa (New Zealand)
- 18. Oxfam Novib (Netherlands)
- 19. Oxfam Québec
- 20. Oxfam South Africa
- 21. KEDV Foundation for the Support of Women's Work, Turkey
- 22. Oxfam Pilipinas (Prospective Affiliate)
- 23. Oxfam in the Pacific (Prospective Affiliate)

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