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AID AGENCIES FOR WOMEN IN THE PACIFIC

In the Pacific, fund raising for community needs and projects has been and still is one of the major activities of women's groups and organisations. In an effort to assist Pacific women in this respect we have provided information on sources of funding and technical assistance and how to contact these sources. The listed foundations and organisations have responded to our request to update information in our Directory of Aid Agencies. Space restrictions will not allow for inclusion of all of the organisations in this issue. Future Information Circulars will include more entries.

AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (ACR)

Types of assistance: ACR endeavours to promote human development through the support of community development programmes planned and implemented by the local community. There is no sector of community development that is not eligible for ACR support, but low priority is given to projects whose only aim is to build up existing institutions. ACR does not directly fund projects in the Pacific. It has partnership arrangements with the CEPAC Commission for Justice and Development (P.O. Box 12334, Suva, Fiji) and the Papua New Guinea/Solomon Island Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development (P.O. Box 6576, Boroko Papua New Guinea). Enquires regarding project support should be addressed to these organisations.

For further information contact the following address:

National Executive Director
Australian Catholic Relief
154 Elizabeth Street
Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia

Telephone: 264-1592
Telex: PANAT 126669
Fax: 261.2223

AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES (ACC)

Types of assistance: ACC acts in partnership with churches and other organisations working from a Christian perspective to overcome injustice. Its major priorities are to support programmes which assist the poor and oppressed to become self-reliant and to alleviate the effects of emergencies which result from natural and human causes. Programme support is available particularly for refugees, health care and basic community development such as leadership training, agricultural skills and co-operatives.

Applications: Applications for assistance from church and community groups are generally made through the National Council of Churches in their country to the following address:

Loan no. 17898 (B)

The Director
 Commission for World Christian Action
 Australian Council of Churches
 P.O. Box C199
 Clarence Street P.O.
 Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia

Telephone: (02) 29.2215
 Telex: SYDACC 171715
 Fax: (02) 262-4514

AUSTRALIAN FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN (AFFHC)

Types of assistance: AFFHC works in partnership with local non-government organisations that work directly with the poor. It chooses partners which have development programmes that help people to help themselves by involving poor communities in project formulation and implementation, empowering the poor to define the type of development they want and to meet their basic needs.

Projects must involve local people and make a direct contribution to improving their nutritional, educational, health, economic and social status. AFFHC projects include developing and supporting co-operatives, village industries, nutrition and health programmes and adult education; provision of safe drinking water and irrigation systems; and improving crop pest control. Projects are expected to have long-term, ongoing benefits and to work with local skills, labour and materials.

AFFHC also responds to emergency requests for relief of famine and other disasters.

Applications: All project applications must be submitted to the following address:

National Director
 Australian Freedom from Hunger Campaign
 2-4 Bellevue Street
 Surry Hills, NSW 2010, Australia

Telephone: (02) 281 2188
 Telex: AA 127747 AFFHC
 Fax: (02) 281 4307

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (IWDA)

Types of assistance: IWDA provides funds, services and personnel for development projects managed by woman's voluntary organisations in other countries. IWDA provides consultancy services in Australia and overseas. It provides assistance in project design and evaluation and in the identification and management of projects. It also provides advisory services and training on women and development. IWDA provides practical advice to women's organisations on project development. It undertakes joint development projects and education projects with like-minded organisations in Australia and internationally.

Executive Director, Wendy Poussard
 International Women's Development Agency
 P.O. Box 372
 Abbotsford, Victoria 3067, Australia

Telephone: (03) 419 - 3004
 Fax: (03) 529 2663

OVERSEAS SERVICE BUREAU (OSB)

Types of assistance: OSB provides personnel through the following programmes:

Australian Volunteers Abroad

Through AVA, there is regular recruitment and selection of skilled Australians in a range of trades and professions who are interested in living and working in a developing country, under local conditions for a two year term. There are two AVA group departures each year - January and July. Requests from employers for AVA placements should be lodged with OSB by 1 April for the July AVA Group and 1 October for the January AVA Group.

Special projects

From time to time, OSB undertakes special projects, in which it will provide a greater input in terms of finance and personnel. The Bureau has particular interest in community development programmes. Special projects may be undertaken in response to a request from an overseas community, or in response to an urgent relief requirement.

Applications: Requests for placement of Australian Volunteers Abroad should be made by letter, telex, fax or phone to:

The Director
Overseas Service Bureau
P.O. Box 350
Fitzroy, Victoria 3065, Australia

Telephone: (613) 419 1788
Telex: AA 35633
Fax: (613) 419 4280

CANADA

PRIMATE'S WORLD RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT FUND

Types of assistance: The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund provides grants in support of community-based development in co-operation with overseas church partners. Grants are made to programmes of self-help amongst disadvantaged people and to programmes which promote community social, political and economic self-determination. Grants may include funding for training research and planning the fullest use of resources.

Grant applications must indicate how the programme will address root causes of underdevelopment or injustice and must indicate how the community has participated in developing the proposal.

Applications: To the following address:

Primate's World Relief and Development Fund
L'Eglise Episcopale du Canada
600 Jarvis Street
Toronto, Ontario M4Y 2J6, Canada

Telephone: (416) 924-9192
Telex: 06524128
Cable: MARTURIA

CANADIAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Types of assistance: Canadian Churches support Asian and Pacific projects through the Inter-Church Fund for International Development (ICFID). This usually funds relief projects and educational programmes.

Applications: To the following address:

Canadian Council of Churches
40 St Clair Avenue East
Toronto, Ontario M4T 1M9, Canada

Telephone: (416) 921-4152
Cable: CANOIKOS TORONTO

CANADIAN TEACHERS' FEDERATION (CTF)

Types of assistance: The specific aims of the CTF International Development Assistance Programme are to help teachers in developing countries upgrade their competence through in-service courses; to help overseas teachers' organisations improve and strengthen their structures and activities; to promote understanding and goodwill among teachers.

The Programme provides teacher training, particularly through the provision of well qualified teachers to assist with in-service training courses; provision of experts in organisational development and for programmes which teacher organisations wish to establish; provision of grants to teacher organisations for various purposes.

Applications: For further information or request for assistance, contact:

Director
International Programmes
Canadian Teachers' Federation
110 Argyle
Ottawa, Ontario K2P 1B4, Canada

Telephone: (613) 232-1505
Cable: CANTEACH

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE (IDRC)

Types of assistance: IDRC provides funds and expert advice to developing country researchers who conduct applied research on basic development needs in their own countries.

The programmes that the Centre supports help developing countries to build the scientific competence of their institutions and the researchers so that these countries can work to solve their own problems. Research projects supported by IDRC are therefore identified, designed, conducted and managed by developing country researchers.

The fields of investigation to which IDRC gives its financial and professional support include agriculture, food and nutrition sciences; health sciences; information sciences; training; earth and engineering sciences; social sciences and dissemination and utilisation of results of IDRC-funded projects.

Applications: For information on how to apply, write to the following address:

IDRC
P.O. Box 8500
Ottawa, Ontario K1G 3H9, Canada

Telephone: (613) 236-6163
Cable: RECENTRE OTTAWA
Telex: 053-3753
Fax: (613) 238-7230

CANADIAN ORGANISATION FOR DEVELOPMENT THROUGH EDUCATION (CODE)

Types of assistance: CODE supports schools, training centres and public libraries by supplying materials and assistance in setting up local publishing programmes. It also makes financial grants.

Applications: Institutions wishing to use services provided by CODE should apply to the following address:

Canadian Organisation for Development through Education
321 Chapel Street
Ottawa, Ontario K1N 7Z2, Canada

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA (UCC, DWO)

Types of assistance: Cash and material assistance and personnel in fields of medical, agricultural, technical education aid, community development, emergency relief, Church administration and evangelical social welfare.

Applications: To the following address:

Division of World Outreach
United Church of Canada
85 St Clair Avenue East
Toronto 7, Ontario M4T 1M8, Canada

Telephone: (416) 925-5931 Ext. 1454
Cable: WESLEYANA TORONTO

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

BREAD FOR THE WORLD

Types of assistance: The organisation aims to provide constructive forms of assistance so that the principle of helping people to help themselves is practised as fully as possible. About per cent of the funds go to long-term projects, mainly in the field of community-oriented rural development on self-help basis, including programmes of preventive medicine and non-formal education and training of skilled personnel. Other methods include the support of measures to rehabilitate refugees, of emergency relief, and of scholarship programmes, mostly initiated and carried out by local churches or church-related organisations.

Bread for the World does not itself implement projects. It financially assist projects that are planned and executed by local partners.

Applications: For further information or assistance guidelines contact:

Bread for the World
 Brot fur die Welt
 Postfach 10 11 42
 Stafflenbergstrasse 76
 7000 Stuttgart 10, Federal Republic of Germany

Telephone: 21 59-1
 Telex: 07-23 557 ddws-d
 Cable: DIAKONIE STUTTGART
 Fax: (0711) 2159-288

FRIEDRICH-EBERT FOUNDATION

Types of assistance: The Foundation's international activities cover a broad spectrum of developmental concerns, and its participation is achieved through collaboration with and financial support of trade unions, universities, international and regional organisations, co-operatives and the media, to name a few.

Applications: For information about funding, contact:

Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung
 Godesberger Allee 149
 D-5300 Bonn 2, Federal Republic of Germany

HANNS SIEDEL FOUNDATION (HSF)

Types of assistance: The Foundation is a non-government organisation, dealing with adult education, mainly in the socio-political field, in Bavaria and abroad. Its work in developing countries is funded by the Federal Government of West Germany as part of development aid.

There are offices in Rabaul, Manila and Suva. The Director of the Suva office acts as Regional Representative for the South Pacific, including Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Solomons, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Western Samoa.

Application: For further information or assistance write to:

Hanns-Seidel-Stiftung
 Lazarettstr. 19
 D 8000 Muenchen 19, Federal Republic of Germany

MISEREOR – Campaign against hunger and disease in the world - Bishop's Fund for Human Development

Types of assistance: Provides finance, in co-operation with other Catholic agencies, development agencies and other Christian Churches which work in the areas of agriculture, education, health, social and welfare activities and self-help movements.

Application: Write directly to the following address:

MISEREOR
 Mozartstrasse 9
 Postfach 1450, 5100 Aachen, Federal Republic of Germany

JAPAN

THE JAPAN FOUNDATION

Types of assistance: The Foundation operates on the income from an endowment contributed by the Japanese Government and private circles, and conducts the following activities world-wide:

- a) Exchange of scholars, writers, artists and other professionals;
- b) Support for Japanese studies and language programmes;
- c) Assistance to performing arts and cultural exhibitions;
- d) Preparation and distribution of materials (printed or audio-visual) presenting Japanese culture abroad.

In the Asia and Pacific region, it has offered fellowships, visiting professorships, library support and several types of institutional project support programmes. Most programmes are conducted on an annual basis.

Applications: For information and requests contact the following address:

The Japan Foundation
Park Building
3-6 Kioi-cho
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 102, Japan

NEW ZEALAND

CHRISTIAN WORLD SERVICE

Types of assistance: Christian World Service is the aid and development agency of the Conferences of Churches in New Zealand, which comprises eleven members. Funds are raised primarily through an annual Christmas Appeal to the member churches and channelled to areas of need throughout the world. Immediate responses are made to requests for assistance in disaster and emergency situations. Programmes and projects are checked by, and funded through, reliable international and regional Church partners.

In the Pacific, regional programmes are developed in association with the Pacific Conference of Churches and the Melanesian Council of Churches.

Applications: For enquiries or requests, contact the following address:

The Coordinator
Christian World Service
Conference of Churches in Aotearoa-New Zealand
P.O. Box 22-652
Christchurch, New Zealand

Telephone: 669-274
Cable: UNITY Christchurch
Telex: Tatler NZ4249
Fax: 652-919

LEPROSY TRUST BOARD

Types of assistance: The Leprosy Trust Board (previously known as the Leper's Trust Board) is a solely New Zealand organisation which assists leprosy victims in the South Pacific area only. It also supports some general health activities.

Applications: For enquiries on funding guidelines write to the following address:

The Secretary
Leprosy Trust Board
Private Bag
Christchurch, New Zealand

Telephone: 663.685
Cable: LEPROSY
Fax: (064) 3-667-771

NEW ZEALAND BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Types of assistance: Although the New Zealand Baptist Missionary Society's main area of concentration is in South Asia, it has also undertaken development projects in the Pacific. The Society works essentially through local Baptist Church organisations in the implementation of its assistance programmes. It gives grants and personnel to related Church organisations.

Applications: To the following address:

The General Secretary
New Zealand Baptist Missionary Society
P.O. Box 23-242
Papatoetoe, South Auckland, New Zealand

Telephone: (09) 277-6249
Cable: BAPTIST

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