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## AID AGENCIES FOR WOMEN IN THE PACIFIC (2)

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.

### NEW ZEALAND

#### CATHOLIC COMMISSION FOR JUSTICE, PEACE AND DEVELOPMENT

**Types of assistance:** The New Zealand Catholic Commission for Justice and Development is an agency of the New Zealand Catholic Bishops' Conference and as such demonstrates that the Catholic Church in New Zealand is committed to the principle that all people have the right to live with dignity, responsibility and community freedom. The Commission works on development projects in the Pacific area with a consortium of Catholic development agencies, the Pacific Partnership for Human Development. This Partnership funds projects through the CEPAC (Pacific Conference of Bishops) Commission for Justice and Development based in Suva, Fiji and the Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development based in Port Moresby. All projects received are referred to these bodies for consideration.

**Applications:** To be sent to the office nearest you:

*In Fiji:*

CEPAC Commission for Justice and Development  
P.O. Box 12343  
Suva  
Fiji

*In New Zealand:*

The Executive Officer  
Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development  
P.O. Box 12-193  
Wellington  
New Zealand

Telephone: (04) 848-035  
Fax: (04) 854-290  
Telex: NZ 31323

*In Papua New Guinea:*

Catholic Commission for Justice, Peace and Development  
 P.O. Box 5676  
 Boroko  
 Papua New Guinea

**NEW ZEALAND COUNCIL OF ORGANISATIONS FOR RELIEF SERVICES OVERSEAS  
 (CORSO)**

**Types of assistance:** CORSO responds to overseas requests for emergency relief where possible. It seeks to work in partnership with people and organisations overseas on development projects directed towards eliminating the causes, rather than the symptoms, of poverty and injustice. Programmes must involve local participation and be designed to promote self-reliance.

In making a request for aid from CORSO the requesting organisation should describe the project in detail and its relation to other plans for relief and development within the area.

**Applications:** Application forms can be obtained from the General Secretary or the Projects Officer at the following address:

CORSO  
 P.O. Box 9716  
 Wellington  
 New Zealand

Telephone: 856-229 or 850-104  
 Cable: RELIEF WELLINGTON

**NEW ZEALAND COUNTRY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE (NZCWI)**

**Types of assistance:** NZCWI supplies aid to Pacific Islands in various ways. It provides sewing machines, handicraft and sewing materials and educational books as well as funding 'grass roots' projects. It also offers a number of scholarships, one of which is an annual medical research scholarship.

**Applications:** For inquiries or requests contact the following address:

Secretary  
 New Zealand Country Women's Institute (NZCWI)  
 P.O. Box 12.007  
 Thorndon, Wellington  
 New Zealand

**SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND**

**Types of assistance:** The Fund provides grants and field administrators to projects which fall within its objectives. It aims at helping children in need by providing medical services, food, clothing and education. Although it is not a funding agency, in certain circumstances it has sometimes funded programmes other than its own. It is important to understand that in requesting financial assistance from the organisation, one is also required to use the agency's technical personnel in the design, implementation or evaluation of any project.

**Applications:** For further information or requests contact officers of Save The Children Fund in your country or at the following address:

The Executive Officer  
NZ Save the Children Fund  
P.O. Box 6584  
Wellington  
New Zealand

Mr C. Francis Folz  
National Director  
Save the Children - Canada  
3080 Yonge Street  
Toronto, Ontario  
Canada

Telephone: (416) 488-0306  
Fax: (416) 483-4430

Joe Wingfield  
Divisional Director  
Pacific Area  
Save the Children Fund  
17 Grove Lane  
London SE5 8RD  
United Kingdom

#### **TRADE AID (N.Z.) INC**

**Types of assistance:** As an alternative trading organisation, Trade Aid endeavours to work with small producer groups in developing countries to assist them in marketing their handicrafts and commodities.

Trade Aid has established producer criteria which all suppliers must meet before purchases take place. Trade Aid does not provide support for large commercial ventures but rather works for small co-operative groups of producers, purchasing handicrafts and providing markets for them in New Zealand. Trade Aid endeavours to build a partnership in trading with its producer groups and gives advice and support on marketing, design and commercial documentation.

**Applications:** For enquiries or information on the criteria, write to:

General Manager  
Trade Aid (N.Z.) Inc  
P.O. Box 18620  
Christchurch  
New Zealand

Telephone: 03-887-016  
Cable: FAIRTRADE CHRISTCHURCH

## THE NETHERLANDS

### DUTCH BISHOPS' LENTEN CAMPAIGN

**Types of assistance:** Providing cash aid (raised partly from an annual campaign), through direct contact with project holder and in consultation with competent local or regional institutions/experts, for the realisation of development projects: agriculture, small industries, preventive health programmes, adult education, technical training, literacy programmes, training for leadership, people's organisation, promotion and development of women and youth activities. Priority is given to micro-projects of a socio-economic nature in which participation and the self-help attitude of the local population is guaranteed and promoted. The Campaign sets great value on promotion and participation of women in all socio-economic projects.

**Applications:** For further information or requests contact:

Dutch Bishops' Lenten Campaign  
 Vastenactie-Nederland  
 P.O. Box 587  
 3800 An Amersfoort  
 The Netherlands

Telephone: (31) 33.612957  
 Telex: 79.326 VANED NL

### INTERCHURCH CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (ICCO)

**Types of assistance:** Financial and professional support to various projects and programmes. Such projects may lie in many fields, including primary health care, agriculture, education, communications, social and community development. ICCO has a Protestant-ecumenical orientation.

ICCO supports projects all over Asia and the Pacific. Priorities are given to activities which are initiated by the people for whom the project exists; are directed towards the development of local leadership and self-reliance; give primary attention to the poorest groups; and promote social justice.

**Applications:** Questionnaires and other information can be obtained from the following address. Applications can be made at any time.

Interchurch Co-ordination Committee for Development Projects (ICCO)  
 Zusterplein 22A  
 P.O. Box 151  
 3700 AD Zeist  
 Netherlands

Telephone: 03404-24844  
 Cable: DEVELOP  
 Telex: 47644  
 Fax: 03404-25614

## UNITED KINGDOM

### CHRISTIAN AID

**Types of assistance:** This organisation provides financial support to selected projects in the fields of development, children and youth, social welfare and education. Its work is carried on with the support and approval of the British Council of Churches.

**Applications:** Application forms are available on request. Contact address:

The Projects Officer  
Christian Aid  
P.O. Box 100  
London SE1 7RL  
England

Telephone: 01-620 4444

### GIRL GUIDES ASSOCIATION

**Types of assistance:** Trains Guide adult leaders from the Commonwealth and other countries in leadership skills. The Association also works at fund-raising for specific needs of its members - disaster, emergencies, etc.

**Contact address**

Commonwealth Headquarters  
Girl Guides Association  
17/19 Buckingham Palace Road  
London SW1W OPT  
England

### GLOBAL VILLAGE CRAFTS

**Types of assistance:** Global Village Crafts began as an effort to create jobs in developing countries. It buys handmade goods, from clothing to kitchen equipment, produced by people of the developing world. The organisation works in partnership with any groups. At the moment it imports from 20 countries and sells wholesale, retail and mail-order. Global Village Crafts would be interested in receiving information about any handmade articles produced in any developing country.

**Applications:** For more information contact the following address:

Global Village Crafts  
South Petherton  
Somerset  
England

Telephone: 0460 40194

## HELP THE AGED

**Types of assistance:** Founded in 1962, Help the Aged is a British charity which campaigns on behalf of elderly people in need and raises funds to be used in support groups working with them.

Its Overseas Division, known as *HelpAge*, channels some of the money raised to developing countries around the world, in order to make grants to indigenous bodies who work for elderly people in need. At times of disaster and in refugee situations money can be made available for general relief and rehabilitation. Otherwise grants are made to self-help schemes for elderly people; for establishing programmes of community care; for various schemes directed to meet the medical needs of elderly people, including programmes of cataract operations, and occasionally to repair and improve the facilities at Homes for elderly people. Grants are given towards capital needs and do not normally cover extended running costs.

**Applications:** To be sent to the following address:

Help the Aged  
Overseas Division  
St James' Walk  
London EC1R 0BE  
United Kingdom

Telephone: 01-253 0253

## INTERMEDIATE TECHNOLOGY (IT)

**Types of assistance:** IT assists local organisations to develop and spread improved, more productive technologies and techniques that enable rural communities to produce more of their basic needs, such as food, clothes, housing and farm equipment.

IT carries out its work in partnership with Third World development agencies, adding to local knowledge by providing technical information and advice, training, equipment and financial support. Its operations are focused on field technology programmes in the following sectors: food production and processing, rural industries, engineering and transport, energy systems.

IT's projects generally begin in response to requests from local groups who need assistance in one or more stages of their planned work. The organisation can help from the initial project appraisal, through developing appropriate innovations, to ensuring the widespread application of tried and tested technologies

**Applications:** Contact the following:

Intermediate Technology  
Myson House  
Railway Terrace  
Rugby CV21 3HT  
England

Telephone: Rugby (0788) 60631  
Telex: 317466 ITDG G  
Fax: 0788 540270  
Cable: ITDG RUGBY

## **METHODIST CHURCH OVERSEAS DIVISION**

**Types of assistance:** The sharing of resources and personnel for work in the fields of health, education, agriculture, pastoral work, theological and lay training, social welfare. Financial assistance is given to Methodist member Churches overseas and to regional Councils of Churches.

**Applications:** Grants are considered only at the request of and with the endorsement of the national Churches concerned.

### **Contact address**

Methodist Church Overseas Division  
25 Marylebone Road  
London NW1 5JR  
England

Telephone: 01-935 2541  
Cable: WESLEY LONDON NW1

## **OXFAM**

**Types of assistance:** A voluntary British organisation, OXFAM provides emergency relief and grants for development, primarily in the areas of agriculture, medical and family planning services, vocational training and community welfare. It also funds projects of other agencies and on occasion, makes grants through government departments.

**Applications:** Applicants should contact headquarters at the following address:

OXFAM  
274 Banbury Road  
Oxford, OX2 7DZ  
England

## **OXFAM BRIDGE**

**Types of assistance:** Oxfam Bridge is a marketing organisation for Third World crafts which aims to help create a better life for producers. It does not buy from private commercial businesses and rarely from governmental organisations. Occasionally it makes purchases from charity/welfare projects, but usually only when the organisers are anxious to involve workers more and prepare them for taking over increasing responsibility. It often buys from workers' co-operatives and associations. Bridge's principal aims are to provide employment, increase low incomes, buy direct from producers and increase the markets and capabilities of generating income in Third World small industries sectors. Ninety-five per cent of Bridge profits are ploughed back into the Third World for development.

At present Bridge concentrates its purchases on two main categories of goods: home goods including furniture kits, containers, kitchen utensils, children's toys, mats, rugs and textile products like bedspreads, table cloths and towels; and personal accessories such as scarves, ties, belts, gloves, footwear, jewellery, bags, baskets, wallets and purses.

Bridge is interested in extending its purchases to selected groceries like tea, coffee, nuts, honey and dried fruit.

**Applications:** Producers wishing to sell to Bridge should write first, giving a history of their organisation, descriptions of the people involved, number of workers and remuneration paid, the aspirations and hopes for the future, any social development aspects of their project, products, prices and productive levels. Contact address:

Oxfam Bridge  
Murdock Road  
Bicester  
Oxon OX6 7RF  
England

### **SALVATION ARMY**

**Types of assistance:** The Salvation Army's aim is to spread the gospel to all and to minister by every means at its disposal to the needy, offering food, shelter, clothing and hope of rehabilitation. It provides social services; medical services (hospitals, clinics, mobile clinics, primary health units, etc); education services (primary, secondary, vocational training schools, training farms); rehabilitation centres (for physically and mentally handicapped, alcoholics); disaster relief; community development programmes (including rural development projects); development training and technical assistance programmes (aimed specifically at Third World countries); publications.

**Applications:** Should be sent to the local branch in your country or to the following address:

The Salvation Army  
International Headquarters  
101 Queen Victoria Street  
London EC4  
England

Telephone: 01 0236 5222

### **TRAIDCRAFT**

**Types of assistance:** Traidcraft buys a wide range of handicrafts (jewellery and accessories, household items, baskets, jute products, toys, small gift items and cards) and some commodities such as tea and coffee. It is keen to hear from producer groups all over the Third World. A 'library' of useful contacts, including sources of technical and financial aid and general information for use of the producers, will be built up to provide a further link.

**Applications:** For further information write to the following address:

Product Manager, South East Asia  
Traidcraft PLC  
Kingsway  
Gateshead  
Tyne and Wear NE11 ONE  
England

Telephone: 091 4910591  
Telex: 53585 TRAI DC G



**VOLUNTEER SERVICE OVERSEAS (VSO)**

**Types of assistance:** VSO sends men and women to share their skills with the people of the Third World.

**Applications:** For further information and application forms write to:

Volunteer Service Overseas  
317 Putney Bridge Road  
London SW15 2PN  
England

Telephone: 01-780-1331

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