We have a shared responsibility for each other and are committed to the common good.
Dear Friends,

Welcome to the first edition of the L’Arche Financial Aid Album.

This Album is for you, whether you are an individual, a L’Arche community, a business, or a foundation.

The purpose of the Album is to shine a light on the beauty and the financial need of 30 L’Arche communities that exist in financially resource poor parts of the world.

It is our deep hope that the Album will strengthen the unity and solidarity of L’Arche by giving both information and inspiration that will enable each of us to do our part to diminish the big gaps that exist in our world.

Each of the L’Arche communities in this Album is like a diamond that sparkles with joy, friendship, and mutual care. And they have some unique challenges. Some exist in difficult political and economic situations. Most of these L’Arche communities do not receive state funding and they are geographically far apart from other L’Arche communities.

These communities are at the heart of the global body of L’Arche. It is extraordinary that the mission of L’Arche exists in such very different cultures. It is a precious gift! And as we walk together with these sisters and brothers from faraway places we are living out our commitment to the whole of humanity.

We invite you to make bold and concrete choices to support these members of the Federation of L’Arche and to be nourished and inspired by what they are living. We need a strong community of people from all walks of life who are committed to funding the vision of L’Arche around the world.

Thank you for saying “yes”!

Patrick Fontaine, Eileen Glass

Solidarity is a core value at L’Arche. One of the ways that we express this value is through financial sharing.

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FACT SHEET

- It is the responsibility of the Federation of L’Arche to find the funds needed for the financial aid program.

- Financial Aid has two dimensions. 1. Direct funding to support operating budgets and some capital investments. 2. Services and supports provided to communities supported directly by L’Arche International. This includes salaries and related expenses for international envoys and various supports in the areas of spirituality, communication, administration and finances, human resources, development, solidarity, and fundraising.

- L’Arche International, on behalf of the Federation, implements the financial aid program.

- All members of the Federation have agreed to contribute to the financial aid program.

- In 2014 the Federation of L’Arche invested 2.4 M Euro in 30 L’Arche communities that receive financial aid.

- The financial aid program is currently underfunded.

- Funding for the financial aid program comes through fundraising that takes place at the local, national, and international levels.
CALL TO ACTION

> The Situation

This “Album” is designed to make the financial needs of L’Arche in the global south more visible and to inspire increased financial support from all people who are committed to the well-being of L’Arche in far-away places. The current situation is serious. L’Arche International does not have the income required to adequately support L’Arche communities in the global south. There is an urgent need for all members of L’Arche, individuals, communities and countries, as well as friends of L’Arche, to increase their financial support for the L’Arche International Financial Aid Fund (Solidarity).

The “L’Arche International” structure was created by the members of L’Arche to undertake special responsibilities. One of the most important responsibility is to ensure that L’Arche sisters and brothers in financially resource poor parts of the world have the resources they need to live the mission of L’Arche. It is well known that L’Arche communities in the global south do not receive state funding.

On behalf of the Federation of L’Arche, L’Arche International supports its members in financially poor parts of the world in three ways:

1. L’Arche funds a support system that provides training, crisis intervention, supervision, retreats, and other aids that cannot be locally accessed. The funds for these supports come from our International Financial Aid Fund.

2. L’Arche provides direct financial aid to help fund the gap between what L’Arche communities in the global south need each year, and what they are able to raise locally. This new Album highlights this funding gap.

3. L’Arche provides fundraising training and support so that countries and communities in the global south can maximize their own local fundraising.
The Money Facts

About 60% of the L’Arche International budget is dedicated to Financial Aid (Solidarity) for the communities that are in this Album. The number is actually even higher because L’Arche also provides financial aid to countries that are not included in this Album.

2015 L’Arche International Operating Budget — 4,048,000 Euro ($4,600,000 USD)
2015 Financial Aid Requirement as per the Album — 2,360,000 Euro ($2,700,000 USD)

The International Financial Aid Fund is not an endowment. Every year L’Arche must raise the funds needed to support people, homes and programs in the global south.

Today the Financial Aid Fund is underfunded by about 1,000,000 Euro per year.

The Opportunity

We know that there is huge economic “gap” in our world today. Supporting L’Arche in the global south, by giving to the Financial Aid Fund, is a concrete way of reducing that gap. The impact of this financial support is powerful; there are homes and programs for people with intellectual disabilities exist in 20 countries where L’Arche would not otherwise exist.

In the past several years L’Arche has discovered that it needs to provide more, not less, support for these L’Arche communities. It is an honor and a responsibility to share our financial resources with our L’Arche sisters and brothers who live in the global south.

Call to Action

Please help build a stronger base of financial support for the children, women and men who are living in L’Arche communities in the global south. It matters very much.
SUPPORTING L’ARCHE AROUND THE WORLD

> Donations may be securely made to L’Arche in your own country, or, if your country does not have a national L’Arche organisation, directly to L’Arche International.

For more details, click the following link.
www.larche.org/foundation/make-a-donation/

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An electronic version of this album is available in the solidarity section of the website.

This album is a fruit of a collaboration between the Solidarity, Communication and Fundraising International teams, with the support of Isabelle Pépin and Christine Higdon.
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**Gifts of L’Arche Buenos Aires**

- L’Arche Argentina is a young community with a vibrant atmosphere; its evolution is matched by that of the young adolescents with learning disabilities. It is a place of hope with a strong spiritual life.
- They have a wide network of friends and volunteers. The community is well integrated in the local neighbourhood.

**Work Activities**

- An arts and crafts workshop: jewellery and mosaics.
- A workshop for repairing toys, which are then given to children in need.

**Context and Challenges**

- Extend the community; welcome more people with intellectual disabilities, build another house and diversify the work programmes in the workshop.

**L’ARCHE ARGENTINA**

**Communities**

- **BUENOS AIRES**
  - **16**
  - **1 home**
  - **4 people with disabilities live in the home and 12 come to the workshop**

**Core members**

- **COUNTRY STATISTICS**
  - **BUENOS AIRES**
  - **43.024**
  - **Per capita income $17,297.00**
  - **HDI (Human Development Index) 0.808**
  - **HDI rank 49/190**

**L’ARCHE ARGENTINA IS 11 YEARS OLD: EACH DAY WE PERCEIVE THE WEALTH OF OUR DAILY LIFE AND THE POWER OF THE TRANSFORMATION AT PLAY IN CLOSE MUTUAL RELATIONSHIPS IN THE COMMUNITY.»

Maria Garciarena

**TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €175,000**
**Gifts of L’Arche**

**Mymensingh**

Inter-religious and inter-cultural life.

Simplicity and hospitality.

Friendship with the Taize community.

Twinning/friendship with L’Arche Les 3 Fontaines.

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**Work Activities**

- Workshop, where around 25 members make candles, greeting cards, bookmarks and different kinds of embroidery.
- Rainbow team (young adult day-care); day-care for children.
- Ten of the more vulnerable core members and their families are supported by weekly home visits by the residential core members.

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**Context and Challenges**

Poverty; huge gap between rich and poor.

High population density.

Social stigma and prejudice are still strong.

Government support for people with disabilities is non-existent.

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**COUNTRY STATISTICS**

- Total population (in millions): 156.59
- Per capita income: $2,713.09
- HDI (Human Development Index): 0.558
- HDI rank: 142/190

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**TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €276,644**
Gifts of L’Arca do Brasil

Unity: this community shares life together in a relatively calm and peaceful way.

Relationships: there is an authentic sense of family and friendship that is an inspiration to others.

Work Activities

- Creation of various crafts using recycled materials, including decorative boxes and ornaments, wine bottle holders, greeting cards and decorated garbage bins.
- Production of plastic garbage bags, an item that is very popular in the market!

Context and Challenges

Renovations: government regulations require that houses for people with disabilities meet new standards, which will cost an estimated 35,000 euros.

Over the last 28 years, we have had difficulties and joys, but we have always found friendship, true relationships, faithfulness, gratitude, generosity and other great gifts. These gifts invite you to stay and always remember.

Ione Xavier  Arca do Brasil

Total Financial Support Needed for 2015: €60,000

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Gifts of L'Arche Nongr-Maasem

The community helps local families to take care of their children with disabilities. Open clinic for the local community once per week. Warmth of hospitality. One core member participated in the Athens Special Olympics in 2011 (and won a gold medal!).

Work Activities

- The community grows lettuce, carrots, local vegetables and corn. Part of the crop is consumed by the community, part is sold and the other part used to feed the pigs.
- In the occupational workshop the core members work on developing skills such as washing dishes, and they also make earrings, necklaces and pen holders.

L’ARCHE BURKINA FASO

COUNTRY STATISTICS

| Total population (in millions) | 16.93 |
| Per capita income | $1601.51 |
| HDI (Human Development Index) | 0.388 |
| HDI rank | 181/190 |

Context and Challenges

- In traditional society, enormous prejudice against persons with disabilities.
- Struggling to promote respect, dignity and full participation in society.

Daouda  L’Arche Nongr-Maasem

Local commitment | Funding required
---|---
19,051 | 104,563
- | 30,000
19,051 | 134,563

TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €134,563
Gifts of L’Arche Croatia

IN OUR COMMUNITY WE MAKE BRIDGES BETWEEN PEOPLE.

Ladislav Šalic Korablja

Work Activities

► Creative activities including arts and crafts, helping neighbours and volunteering in the local community.
► Preparing and hosting meals for guests, including small conferences for neighbourhood students.

Gifts of L’Arche Croatia

► Open doors: once per month the community hosts meetings with neighbours, local community members, experts and artists, bringing together people to meet, grow in trust and discover the value of each person.
► Outreach and awareness: very involved in the community, through the mobile team that provides support to people in their home and through cooperation with local leaders. As a result there is increased visibility of people with severe disabilities, where they would otherwise be overlooked.

Context and Challenges

► Economy: The economic situation is difficult and it is challenging to obtain any funding from the government or to make plans for sustainable development in the future.
► Distrust: the multiple divisions within Croatian society make partnerships difficult. This leads to significantly reduced opportunities for people with disabilities.

COUNTRY STATISTICS

Total population (in millions) 4.29
GNI per capita, PPP $19,024.93
HDI (Human Development Index) 0.812
HDI rank 47/190

L’Arche Croatia

KORABLIJA

Korablja means L’Arche in Croatian

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live-out

Local budget 91,450 51,450 40,000
Federation support system 30,000 - 30,000
Total 121,450 51,450 70,000

TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €70,000
Gifts of L’Arche
Santo Domingo
Diversity – this is one of few communities in Latin America that welcomes core members from other countries / cultures.

Faithfulness and generosity – the members love to pray and they pray most often for other people.

Work Activities
➢ In the workshop the members create many interesting articles our of coconut, including jewelry, key chains and model boats.
➢ The members also enjoy making greeting cards for birthdays or other events.

Gifts of L’Arche Santo Domingo

Context and Challenges
➢ Leadership – Attracting competent and committed people has been difficult because of limited resources.
➢ Building for the future – Crisis management mode has had an impact on the capacity to develop a vision and plans for the future.
➢ Donor fatigue – the same group of people on the island have been supporting the community for a long time.

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Leadership

L’Arche International

When I visit the community I just feel at home. They always receive visitors with this incredible and exuberant welcome!

Azucena Bustamante-West
Wolfville, Nova Scotia

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Azucena Bustamante-West
Wolfville, Nova Scotia
Gifts of L’Arche
Al Fulk

In these turbulent political times, L’Arche’s voice asking “How do we listen to the most fragile members of our society?”

Strong sense of family and vibrant spiritual life.

Work Activities

> Members care for goats, chicken and cultivate a fruit garden.
> Members also develop skills in making candles and wicker furniture.

Context and Challenges

> Sensitive inter-religious tensions in the region – the community seeks to develop initiatives to grow trust between Christians and Muslims.
> Finding ways of increasing the generation of local financial resources – the fall of tourism in Egypt greatly affected the sales of community products.
> Isolation – there are hopes of developing communities in Cairo and Alexandria.

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TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €60,000

COUNTRY STATISTICS

Total population (in millions) 82.06
Per capita income $10,399.77
HDI (Human Development Index) 0.682
HDI rank 110/190

Made up of 1 home

8 of whom live in the L’Arche home

AL FULK

Core members

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L’Arche Egypt
Gifts of L’Arche in Haiti

Many members would not be in security or alive today were it not for L’Arche. L’Arche is a safe place and a real family for them.

Spiritually vibrant: the prayer dimension is deep and important in L’Arche Haiti, and attracts many friends.

L’Arche is well known in Haiti, and it is seen as a source of human and spiritual values, and a place of hope, giving it a broad impact on culture and society.

Work Activities

- Schools that welcome children and young people.
- Producing honey from the hive, as well as peanut butter (mamba).
- Producing furniture in their woodworking shop.

Context and Challenges

- Environmental: Carrefour is located on a major fault line, and has been rebuilt since the earthquake, which destroyed it. The community needs to move into a less-threatening environment.
- Isolation: Chantal is very far away and is very isolated.
- Leadership and economic development: Develop leaders that can take the community into the future, and generate more local income.

L’ARCHE HAITI

PORT AU PRINCE CHANTAL

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TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €144,031

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Marie-Ann Jean  Port au Prince
Gifts of L’Arche Honduras

Hospitality - both assistants and members offer an inspiring level of generosity and hospitality.

Faith - spiritual life is strong and truly motivates every other aspect of their life and work.

Work Activities

- The community in Choluteca makes hammocks, bottles honey, and forms a natural body scrub directly from local plant products.
- In Tegucigalpa there are three workshops devoted to producing mops and making embroidery.

Context and Challenges

- Poverty - Forty-six percent of the population of Honduras lives in extreme poverty.
- Insecurity - Tegucigalpa community recently had to move one of the homes, due to security issues. There is an extremely high violence rate in the country.
- Resources - Physical therapy is a very uncommon profession, so it is hard to get proper help for the community members.

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TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €136,970

Maria Elvira Santacruz Dominican Republic
Gifts of L’Arche
Asha Niketan
Way of life: the daily rhythm of home and workshop provides each member with tasks and responsibilities where each can learn to use their capacities to the full, and creatively share the gift of life.

Spirituality: life in community is like a SADANA, a spiritual journey; prayer integrated fully and seamlessly into daily life of community, morning and evening; inter-faith reality on a day to day level (Hindus, Muslims, Christians).

Assistants visit family homes of children with intellectual disabilities, who do not live in the community, offering technical input, friendship and support.

Context and Challenges
Lack of government funding; the challenge to become financially autonomous and self-sustaining
Challenge to recruit and retain assistants on foot of low salaries and changing the approach in job market
Huge gap in Indian society between the extremely rich and extremely poor.

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TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €178,098
**L’ARCHE IVORY COAST**

**BOUAKE**

- **Communities**
  - 60 Core members
- **Context and Challenges**
  - To find meaningful work.
  - Community is working towards opening a third home.

**Gifts of L’Arche Bouaké**

- Support of individuals in their families.
- Sharing life.
- Physiotherapy.

**Work Activities**

- Small chicken farm.
- Gardens.
- Making cards, necklaces and cookies.
- Occupational therapy workshop.

**Work Activities**

**Context and Challenges**

**COUNTRY STATISTICS**

- Total population (in millions): 20.32
- Per capita income: $2774.27
- HDI (Human Development Index): 0.452
- HDI rank: 171/190

**TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015:** €131,486

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"Along this path of walking with people with disabilities, I have discovered qualities and gifts that have created a relationship of mutual trust between us."

N’dri Edouard & N’guessan Adrien

Bouaké
Gifts of L’Arche Kenya

- Outreach.
- Visiting and supporting other vulnerable groups, such as people in prison.
- Motto is: Only Through Community.
- Building community with other vulnerable populations.

Work Activities

- Craft-making.
- Paper-making.
- Carpentry.
- Cake-making.

Context and Challenges

- Being the only L’Arche community in Kenya.
- What happens after graduation for people with disabilities in the country?

BEING IN COMMUNITY HAS HELPED ME GROW AS A PERSON. I FEEL LOVED AND IT GIVES ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOVE OTHERS, TOO.

James Mwangi  Nyahururu

Country Statistics

- Total population (in millions): 44.35
- Per capita income: $2157.94
- HDI (Human Development Index): 0.535
- HDI rank: 147/190

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Total financial support needed for 2015: €178,000
Work Activities

- Producing cards, handcrafts, colorful icons, and cruets for candles.
- Work in the garden providing pumpkins, beans and herbs for our daily meals together.

Gifts of L’Arche Lithuania

- Friendship – L’Arche breaks down barriers of communication with members who come state institutions. It has connections with struggling youth in the area.
- Impact on Society – The dignity, respect and hospitality shown towards every human being are important examples for the country’s social system.
- Faith – The spiritual life witnesses to a grounded and inclusive community for the larger society, important examples for the country’s social system.

Context and Challenges

- Rigidity – The social care models are still based on Soviet era norms. Many people with intellectual disabilities still live in large care institutions, which may provide limited opportunities.
- Injustice – Municipalities do not equally evaluate the NGOs in the field of social services system and can restrict resources needed for daily community life.
- Attracting Assistants – It is difficult to attract and keep assistants because of limited financial resources.

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Gifts of L’Arche Mexico

Commitment – the communities are committed to reaching out to the people with a disability in their neighbourhood.

Celebration – they are a example of the ability to enjoy and share moments of celebration at any given time.

Hospitality – the communities are always grateful to have visitors and to share their homes and meals.

Context and Challenges

Funding – needs are great in the wider communities where the L’Arche communities are located, so there are many organizations in need of funding.

Attracting long-term assistants – in Mexico City the community is located in a dangerous neighbourhood, which makes it difficult to recruit live-in assistants.

Work Activities

In Mexico City, at the day program the core members make different crafts like cards, bracelets, and Christmas decorations.

The community in Queretaro work together to make bread, cookies, beads bracelets, and other crafts.

L’ARCHE MEXICO IS A BUNCH OF SMILES!
Francine Rubina Mexico DF

L’ARCHE MEXICO

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| Total Financial Support Needed for 2015: €85,300 |

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**Gifts of L’Arche Ma’an lil-Hayat**

- Relationships with the wider community – the community works hard to bring together people from other organizations also working with marginalized populations, through networking and learning events.
- Growth – the community plans to grow in 2015, and double the number of core members.
- Strong sales of workshop items – income from the workshop covers 50% of operating costs.

**Work Activities**

- In the workshop members make felted-wool ornaments, nativity sets, and other gift items from the wool of Bethlehem sheep.
- Products are sold locally as well as abroad.

**Context and Challenges**

- Military Occupation – Palestinians have been living under Israeli military occupation for over 40 years, creating a lot of challenges and insecurity.
- Discrimination – discrimination is common, and may limit every aspect of a disabled person’s life.
- Overwhelming Need – an estimated 1,500 to 2,250 people with disabilities in the Bethlehem area.

**Country Statistics**

- **Total population** (in millions): 4.622
- **Per capita income**: $5,168.00
- **HDI (Human Development Index)**: 0.686
- **HDI rank**: 107/190

**Total Financial Support Needed for 2015: €105,000**
We feel the presence of Jesus living with us here!

Letlet Paulino, Cainta

**Work Activities**

- Morning activities: teaching simple academics.
- Afternoon: grass papermaking to produce cards, and beadworks to make key chains & holders, coin purses, bags, bracelets.

**Gifts of L’Arche Punla (the seed, in Filipino)**

- Strong reliance upon providence and gratitude.
- Ownership of the community life by people with disabilities.
- Rich network of friends.

**Context and Challenges**

- Flooding occurs every year. Everyone needs to be prepared for typhoons which bring potential destruction and sickness.
- The community initially welcomed children who are now moving into adulthood.
- Maintaining continuity in the Assistants group and Board renewal can be difficult.
- Being the only community in the country is a challenge.

**COUNTRY STATISTICS**

- Total population (in millions) 100
- Per capita income $6,381.00
- HDI (Human Development Index) 0.751
- HDI rank 117/190

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**TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €60,750**
Gifts of L’Arche Slovenia

Crossing divides: the community is one of the few places in Slovenia, where people of very different political backgrounds are meeting. There is a sad and brutal separation of peoples in the nation.

Impacting young lives: the workshops have strong relationships with a number of kindergarten classrooms. The children visit the workshops, and the core members visit the children in their classrooms.

Context and Challenges

Finding international volunteers: only 2 million people in total speak the language of the community. This creates a limited pool of people who feel able to volunteer with us.

Lack of state support: the State does not invest in the physical structure of the community and supports only a part of the operating budget.

Work Activities

Hand made greeting cards, candles, and woodwork (small furniture, candle holders, etc).
Weaving and sewing to make bags, aprons and other items. A garden the community tends and uses.
A dance team that is participating in public performances with other groups from the public.
Each Christmas the community hosts a “St Nicholas fair” where hundreds of people visit the community and buy the items mentioned above.

L’ARCHE SLOVENIA

2015 Financial Support

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TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €65,500

Stane Grandljic Ljubljana

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Gifts of L’Arche al-Safina

With courage, perseverance and simplicity, the community continues to live, work and celebrate together, despite very troubled times.

Brings together people of widely different backgrounds.

A sign of peace and unity in a country facing deep tragedy.

> Work Activities

Working with recycled paper the members make cards, calendars, birthday calendars, packaging paper, Christmas decorations and more.

Craft activities include making embroidered bags and bracelets.

Social enrichment activities are another important part of community life.

> Gifts of L’Arche al-Safina

L’Arche SYRIA

AL-SAFINA

Means «The Boat» in Arabic.

1 home, 1 workshop

35

8 of whom live in the L’Arche home

COUNTRY STATISTICS

| Total population (in millions) | 21.9 |
| Per capita income $ | 5771.23 |
| HDI (Human Development Index) | 0.66 |
| HDI rank | 117/190 |

Context and Challenges

The community is challenged to simply continue life together while missiles fall regularly, power is lost, fuel supplies are cut and transportation is limited.

Persons displaced due to the war, especially families that have members with disabilities, have many needs the community is trying to assist with.

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TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €70,000

This is our harbour, our oasis, this is the sun warming up our hearts.

Tarek Damas

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Gifts of L’Arche Kampala

- Hospitality & friendship – the depth of friendship and the breadth of hospitality in Uganda is inspiring.
- High quality of care and attention – despite limited resources the community maintains a very high quality of care and attention.

Context and Challenges

- Financial resources – the community is not financially independent, and this makes it difficult to confidently plan for the future of the community and facilitate the dreams of each of the core members.
- Leadership resources – there is very limited access to resources to help build the leadership of the community such as trainings, retreats, inspirational talks, etc.

IT’S A HOME WHERE I EXPECT TO SHARE AND LIVE WITH OTHERS NO MATTER IN WHAT SITUATION, OR ETHNIC BACKGROUND.

Katembeka Venasio Kampala

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TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €108,000

L’ARCHE UGANDA

Work Activities

- Gardening – small farm and garden, raising pigs and chickens, and growing crops such as cassava, yams and bananas.
- Bakery – community bakery making cookies, cakes and breads.
- Woodworking – repairing old furniture, and making items such as school desks, benches and beds.

L’Arche Uganda

KAMPALA

34 made up of 2 homes
14 of whom live in the 2 L’Arche homes
Gifts of L’Arche Kovcheh

- Respite support – if a need occurs in a family, core members are welcomed to the community house.
- Witness to the society – 4 workshops are integrated into neighbourhoods around the city. Workers often walk to the sites, and the local communities get to know people with disabilities, and their gifts.
- A new model – strong example of community-style programs for persons with disabilities and they most often are praying for other people.

Work Activities

- Making candles, soaps, wood articles, hand-made beaded necklaces, and woven articles such as necklaces. Members also work on greeting cards and prints of icons.
- Learning social and personal care skills, such as cooking, outings, praying and celebrating.

Context and Challenges

- Violence – the war going on in the Eastern part of Ukraine impacts the rest of the country.
- Limited resources – Without State subsidies, the community is able to raise 1/3 of the total operating budget. It is dependent on foreign aid for the rest.
- Big distances – it takes up to 1.5 hours to get from the community house to some of the workshops; gathering the community is costly.

L’ARCHE UKRAINE

KOVCHEH

- Community is a foundation on which one can lean. This is a place where I nourish my spirituality. Here I form myself as an individual, and to be open to others.

Olesia Trush Kovcheh

Communities

Core members

COUNTRY STATISTICS

- Total population (in millions) 45.24
- Per capita income $1,824.53
- HDI (Human Development Index) 0.734
- HDI rank 83/190

Mostly live-out with some temporary overnight stays

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Olesia Trush Kovcheh

L’ARCHE INTERNATIONAL

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KOVCHEH

made up of 1 house

Mostly live-out with some temporary overnight stays

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Gifts of L’Arche
Harare

Many of the core members are children.
Significant presence in local public school.
Source of strength for parents, visiting with them, helping them, and helping them appreciate their children’s gifts.

Work Activities

School project for physiotherapy and occupational therapy.
Batik clothes making.
Candles and cards.
Market, gardening, chickens.

Context and Challenges

Leadership development.

„IT IS SATISFYING THAT I AM PART OF THE COMMUNITY THAT SHOWS THAT EVERY HUMAN BEING IS A GIFT AND THAT CARES FOR PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH. “

Peter Harare

TOTAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED FOR 2015: €122,000

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HARARE

Core members

made up of 2 homes
14 of whom live in the two homes

COUNTRY STATISTICS

Total population (in millions) 14.15
Per capita income $1,307.41
HDI (Human Development Index) 0.492
HDI rank 156/190

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