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TOGETHER, WE CAN CREATE A BETTER WORLD FOR THE NEXT GENERATION.

The challenges that young people face are complex, interrelated, and growing fast. Our network of students, volunteers, researchers. business leaders, and development experts are working with and for youth to respond to these challenges. Together, they are advancing innovative and scalable solutions for greater inclusion and sustainability.

Students at the Kavantissa Vocational Training Center in Sri Lanka

A LETTER FROM THE

CHAIR OF THE BOARD AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

This year's Annual Report highlights the progress WUSC and its partners have made towards more inclusive education and economic opportunities, and more inclusive leadership and decision-making around the world.

We believe a more peaceful and prosperous world rests on such an approach, ensuring that no one is left behind.

WUSC works with and for youth, to give them the skills, resources, and voice that allows them to set new directions and have a brighter future.

We also work with individuals, organizations, institutions, companies, and governments to foster youth-centered solutions, at scale, that overcome inequality and exclusion.

Our programs seek to generate knowledge, shift attitudes, build connections, align incentives, and strengthen institutions in ways that foster positive change for years to come.

Sometimes this involves a social marketing campaign that challenges perspectives about youth employability.

Sometimes it involves training in gender-responsive pedagogy, that improves the way in which teachers engage young girls and boys in the classroom, ensuring that everyone can learn. Sometimes it involves mobilizing skilled international volunteers to work alongside our partners, building these partners' capacity and their own along the way.

In 2016/2017 we made progress in all of these areas through, for example, the renewal of our programming in Kenya on girls' education. We also expanded our programming to Jordan to support young women and men gain the skills necessary to secure meaningful employment.

We responded to the growing demand, from around the world, for WUSC's expertise on creating pathways for refugee education and resettlement. And we strengthened the voice and influence of local communities in West Africa, in areas where mining occurs.

These and other achievements were only possible with the ongoing support of Canada's universities, colleges, and CEGEPS; WUSC's campus Local Committees; our volunteer professionals; and the institutional and individual donors who share our vision and collaborate on our Canadian and international programs. Together we are working towards a more inclusive, equitable, and sustainable world.



In 2016/2017, WUSC worked in over 25 countries across Asia, Africa, and the Americas to improve education, economic opportunities, and empowerment for young people.



COUNTRIES WE WORKED IN

Jamaica
Jordan
Kenya
Lebanon
Malawi
Mali
Mongolia
Nepal
Peru
Saint Lucia
Senegal
Sri Lanka
Tanzania
Vietnam



2016/2017 HIGHLIGHTS



Facilitating Community Dialogue in West Africa

A new initiative was launched in Burkina Faso, Ghana, and Guinea that seeks to promote more inclusive decision-making and economic opportunities in communities affected by the extractive sector. This initiative is implemented in partnership with CECI and funded by Global Affairs Canada.

JUNE 2016

Convening Canadian Postsecondary Actors

Representatives from universities, colleges, and CEGEPs came together with representatives from NGOs and government to reflect on the Canadian post-secondary community's role in providing education to refugees. A report on these discussions, "The Canadian Post-secondary Education Community's Response to the Refugee Crisis," can be found at wusc.ca.

JULY 2016

70th International Seminar in Tanzania

The Uniterra International Seminar, co-organized by WUSC and CECI, brought together youth leaders from Canada and Tanzania to research the role of youth and agriculture in the Tanzanian economy. The results of this research, "Tanzania 2016: Collaborative research on the role of youth and technology in achieving food security," can be found at wusc.ca.

JULY 2016

#WUSCEUMC2030

During the Government of Canada's public consultations on international assistance, we created a social media campaign for our supporters to share their 2030 vision. Over 850 engagements helped inform our own submission, "International Assistance Review Submission," which can be found at wusc.ca.

AUGUST 2016

Training Young Leaders in Canada

Over 100 student WUSC Local Committee members came together in the Ottawa/Gatineau region to exchange ideas and build their skills as global citizens and leaders in their communities. These students mobilized greater awareness and support for global development and played an integral role in implementing our Student Refugee Program.

SEPTEMBER 2016

Back to School

This year, we welcomed 284 bright, young students from developing countries around the world to post-secondary institutions across Canada through the Student Refugee

Program, the Canadian Francophonie Scholarship Program, and our longstanding partnership with the Government of Botswana.

OCTOBER 2016 NEW

Advancing Women's Economic Empowerment in Jordan

A new initiative was launched which aims to remove the barriers that prevent women from accessing fulfilling careers in Jordan's growing healthcare sector. This initiative is implemented in partnership with CLIC and is funded by Global Affairs Canada.

JANUARY 2017

The Sixth Annual WUSC and CECI International Forum

It was another year of recordbreaking attendance at the annual International Forum. Held in Montréal, Ouébec, the event drew nearly 750 specialists, researchers, students, volunteers, government representatives, and private sector actors to discuss the theme, "Reaching the Tipping Point – How to Cultivate a Brighter Future." While the theme gave participants a chance to share a range of approaches and viewpoints, it also revealed a strong convergence of interests and efforts to find sustainable development solutions.



EDUCATION

We envision a world in which all young people have access to and benefit from inclusive, quality education opportunities, from primary to tertiary.

GIRLS' EDUCATION

HELPING MORE GIRLS IN KENYA REACH THEIR GRADUATION DAY

In 2016/2017, we continued our work to help youth, particularly girls and young women, access education in the Dadaab and Kakuma refugee camps and surrounding host communities in Kenya. Through these efforts, we seek to not only improve attendance, but also their retention and success. Over the past five years, we have taken a multi-faceted approach that includes gender-sensitive improvements to infrastructure, training teachers in gender-sensitive pedagogy, providing targeted support through remedial classes, offsetting costs through scholarships, and engaging the community through multi-channel awareness campaigns that build consensus about the importance and value of girls' education. Here are the results from the first phase of our UK-aid funded work for girls' education in Kenya.



65%
INCREASE IN MEAN
LITERACY SCORES



80%
OF GIRLS REPORT IMPROVEMENTS IN TEACHER ATTITUDES



13%
INCREASE IN
COMMUNITY SUPPORT
FOR GIRLS' EDUCATION

Kakuma, Kenya 1. Bhar-el-naam Primary School Remedial Center 2. Mogadishu Primary School 3. A student with her family at their



THE STUDENT REFUGEE PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

140 REFUGEE STUDENTS RESETTLED ON CANADIAN CAMPUSES IN 2016/2017

69
CANADIAN POST-SECONDARY
INSTITUTIONS SPONSORED
STUDENTS IN 2016/2017

63%INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS SUPPORTED FROM 2015 TO 2016



THE STUDENT REFUGEE PROGRAM

PAVING PATHWAYS TO RESETTLEMENT THROUGH HIGHER EDUCATION FOR REFUGEES

For nearly 40 years, WUSC has been involved in Canada's Private Sponsorship of Refugees Program (PSRP). As the only Sponsorship Agreement Holder to partner exclusively with Canadian post-secondary institutions, our network has provided more than 1,700 refugee youth with opportunities for resettlement and higher education through our Student Refugee Program (SRP).

Blu Htoo, pictured on his graduation day at Algoma University this past year



SUPPORTING YOUTH AND WOMEN TO SECURE FAIR AND FULFILLING

In 2016/2017, we continued to

advance our work for youth economic

empowerment in Sri Lanka. This past year, we also launched new initiatives

that aim to provide youth and women with the skills they need to succeed.

national program that seeks to foster

country. We also partnered with CLIC to launch a new initiative for women's

economic empowerment in Jordan, where young women are highly

educated, but face staggering rates of

youth entrepreneurship across the

In Mali, we contributed toward a

EMPLOYMENT

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

We envision a world in which all young people can secure fair, decent, and fulfilling employment; create sustainable livelihoods; and benefit from inclusive economies.

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT



PARTNERSHIPS FOR EMPLOYMENT IN SRI LANKA BY THE NUMBERS

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OPPORTUNITIES

TVET INSTITUTIONS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING TRAINING PROGRAMS THAT BETTER RESPOND TO PRIVATE SECTOR PRIORITIES



1,521 YOUTH, INCLUDING YOUNG WOMEN, TRAINED AND PLACED IN PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT

440,000 PEOPLE REACHED THROUGH A NATIONAL SOCIAL CAMPAIGN ON THE DIGNITY OF LABOUR IN THE TRADES AND TECHNOLOGIES

Sri Lanka 1. Electrical trainees at a hotel construction site 2. Auto mechanical trainees at a vocational training center 3. Trainees at the Matara Sarvodaya Center

INCLUSIVE ECONOMIES

unemployment.

FOSTERING ECONOMIC GROWTH THAT REDUCES INEQUALITIES AND EXTENDS BENEFITS TO ALL

In 2016/2017, we continued our work in Barbados, Dominica, Guyana,
Jamaica, and St. Lucia to better connect marginalized farmers and producers
to buyers in the region. By facilitating linkages between businesses and farmers, we have

improved farmers' access to credit; clarified and simplified quality standards; and provided training opportunities to youth and women so that they can better access high-value markets in the region. In 2016/2017, we also continued our work in 14 countries around the world to foster more inclusive economies through international volunteer cooperation. Through the Uniterra program, jointly delivered with CECI, our international volunteers worked alongside 400 partners and market actors. Representing twenty unique economic sectors, including agriculture, tourism, textiles, and ICTs, our partners mobilized their volunteers to develop market innovations that better extend economic benefits to youth and women.



\$96.5M

ADDITIONAL FRESH PRODUCE HAS REACHED HIGH-VALUE MARKETS IN THE CARIBBEAN OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS 553

INTERNATIONAL
VOLUNTEERS CONTRIBUTED
TO MORE INCLUSIVE
ECONOMIES IN 2016/2017

22K

PEOPLE PARTICIPATED IN VOLUNTEER-LED TRAININGS IN 14 COUNTRIES IN 2016/2017



EMPOWERMENT

We envision a world in which all young people can safely exercise their rights, influence decisions, and actively participate in all aspects of their society's development.



Focus group, Boké, Guinea

COMMUNITY DIALOGUE AND ENGAGEMENT

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES THROUGH MORE INCLUSIVE DECISION-MAKING AND GREATER CROSS-SECTOR COLLABORATION

In 2016/2017, we launched a new initiative with CECI in West Africa which aims to maximize the socioeconomic benefits of extractive resource investments in the region for communities, particularly for women and youth. This past year, we also continued our efforts with CESO in Mongolia to strengthen the capacity of governments and communities to effectively manage the extractive sector.

"The nature of this work is particularly interesting in that it combines my interests in extractive industries with my background in environmental science, offering me a unique opportunity to apply my studies and develop new skills in a challenging and exciting environment."

Steven Chang

Students Without Borders Volunteer, Ghana

WUSC LOCAL COMMITTEES

MOBILIZING A GENERATION OF GLOBAL THINKERS, SOCIAL GOOD INNOVATORS, AND DEVELOPMENT CHANGEMAKERS

Present on 83 campuses across Canada, and 5 overseas, our network of students engaged in many activities this past year to mobilize greater awareness and support for global development on their campuses and in their communities. Sixty-nine of our committees in Canada also formed sponsoring groups in 2016/2017, supporting us in the resettlement of more than 140 refugee youth through the SRP. In addition, nearly one million students in Canada supported the SRP through an annual levy on their tuition. They also attended Local Committee-led awareness-raising and fundraising events, shared messages of inclusion, and helped foster more welcoming communities.

OUR NATIONAL YOUTH NETWORK



34,243
PEOPLE DIRECTLY ENGAGED
THROUGH LOCAL COMMITTEE
ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS



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32% INCREASE IN LOCAL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FROM 2015 TO 2016

Local Committee Activities 1. Students from Victoria Island University 2. 3. Local Committee training held in Ottawa-Gatineau

WORLD UNIVERSITY SERVICE OF CANADA



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Government of Canada	53.1%
UK Aid	14.4%
Donated Services	10.4%
Government of Botswana	9.7%
Other Foreign Funding	6.7%
Other Canadian Sources	5.5%
Other	0.2%
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Programs	01.3/0
Donated Services	10.6%

Administrative and Fundraising 7.99

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

March 31, 2017, with comparative information for 2016

	2017	2016
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$12,770,228	\$14,197,016
Project receivables	3,963,871	2,873,289
Advances receivable	1,367,674	386,593
Prepaid expenses	165,588	120,754
	18,267,361	17,577,652
Tangible capital and		
intangible assets	759,334	632,686
	\$19,026,695	\$18,210,338
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$2,387,445	\$1,845,669
Contract advances and other	13,264,649	13,222,716
Deferred revenue - Lewis Perinbam award	63,597	67,856
	15,715,691	15,136,241
Net assets		
Invested in tangible capital and intangible assets	759,334	632,686
Internally restricted	2,484,330	2,374,555
Endowment fund	67,340	66,856
	3,311,004	3,074,097
	\$19,026,695	\$18,210,338

Consolidated Statement of Operations

INCOME

Year ended March 31, 2017, with comparative information for 2016

	2017	2016
Revenue		
Contracts		
GAC/DFATD Partnership Branch	\$7,962,281	\$5,649,586
GAC/DFATD Bilateral and other	15,353,869	10,492,754
Government of Botswana	4,263,888	5,531,179
UK-Aid	6,319,871	7,426,642
Other foreign funding	2,928,558	2,521,094
Other Canadian sources	2,402,599	2,395,229
Other	82,781	84,829
Donated services	4,576,087	2,351,501
	43,889,934	36,452,814
Expenses		
Project		
Direct costs	30,806,851	26,658,445
Salaries and benefits	4,491,089	4,006,578
Administrative		
Salaries and benefits	1,568,104	1,447,303
Program development	406,456	392,853
Other	1,283,448	1,221,268
Fundraising	171,643	143,008
Donated services	4,576,087	2,351,501
	43,303,678	36,220,956
Excess of revenue over expenses before		
undernoted item	586,256	231,858
Severance - restructuring	349,833	80,642
Excess of revenue over expenses	236,423	151,216
Balance, beginning of year	3,074,097	2,922,878
Endowment contributions and investment gains	484	3
Balance, end of year	\$3,311,004	\$3,074,097



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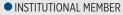
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