Annual Report
2019 - 2020

PWRDF
The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund

Working towards a truly just, healthy and peaceful world.
The year 2019/20 saw encouraging work with our partners. Our four-year four-country Maternal, Newborn and Child Health program (All Mothers and Children Count), funded by the Government of Canada and Canadian supporters, came to an end with impressive project evaluation results. While the project has ended, we are grateful that the health facilities, the equipment, the trained midwives, gender promoters, community-based health workers, the solar panels, the increased collaboration with local government and other agencies will all be of continued value for the communities. Today, in the four project areas, there are more men accompanying their wives for antenatal and postnatal counselling. There are more families with increased income from livestock and their farms. Over one million children benefitted.

As we are writing, we are encouraged by just-announced further Government of Canada support for PWRDF and our AMCC partners, to help them respond to the effects of COVID-19 in their communities into 2021.

Our world is hurting and hungry. Our work and the work of our partners is all the more important, needed and compelling. In this past year, with the gifts of Canadian Anglicans, we were able to respond to the effects of Hurricane Dorian in the Anglican Diocese of Bahamas and the Turks and Caicos. We worked with Anglican Alliance partners in the Philippines to respond to a series of earthquakes in Mindanao region. We raised money to help the Anglican Board of Mission respond to devastating wildfires in Australia. PWRDF funds to support families in Zimbabwe affected by Cyclone Idai were matched fourfold by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.
This annual report provides many more stories of the results of the hard work of our partners around the world and in Canada where we have supported, among many other projects, the Anglican Church of Canada’s initiatives in suicide prevention and counselling in the Indigenous communities in Northern Manitoba.

While gender equality is an important part of our programming, so too is ensuring that PWRDF and our partners have policies and procedures to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse. This is time-consuming but important work that requires training and follow up. But this foundational work helps us move forward towards our vision of a truly just, healthy and peaceful world.

PWRDF seeks to support the most vulnerable, those most in need, who do not have supports from other places. From seniors living alone in Canada to people in South Sudan, a newly independent yet fragile state, we are recognizing that everyone is our neighbour.

The support we provide and the partnerships which frame our support are made possible because of the support and continued encouragement of Canadians from coast to coast, from Dawson City to Gander, from Iqaluit to Point Pelee Island. We are grateful for the prayers and gifts of our many supporters and for the many volunteer hours of those who have promoted PWRDF and organized events in their communities in support of PWRDF and our partners.

Will Postma          Valerie Maier
Executive Director           President
The COVID-19 pandemic hit as our fiscal year was closing and as a new fiscal year began. By December 2020, it is projected that worldwide, 71 million people will be pushed into extreme poverty and 130 million into acute food insecurity. And what’s more, there could be deeper and harmful impacts on education, being able to respond to HIV and AIDS and other communicable diseases, and ensuring girls and women can access support services that will provide them opportunities for full participation in their communities.

Over the first few months of the pandemic, PWRDF staff worked closely with partners to modify programs responding to floods, distributing food, supporting refugees, training community health workers and midwives and so much more according to pandemic response programming: use of clean water and soap, the importance of physical distancing, following health guidelines, and making use of testing facilities when possible.

In late March and into April, we responded with funds for seven partners, funds that Canadian Anglicans had given over the previous few months for wherever needs were greatest. Canadians were struggling, losing their jobs, and churches were forced to close to worship. We funded HelpAge Canada and its upwards of 50 partners supporting vulnerable seniors in Canada, including in Indigenous communities. We also supported an Indigenous birth facility.

“Spreading love in a pandemic”

By Will Postma, Executive Director
funded through the Diocese of Edmonton. This support was part of a $300,000 disbursement of funds to partners all over the world supporting public awareness, education as per health guidelines, clean water, personal protective equipment and food.

We are grateful to have received further support from the Government of Canada to help our All Mothers and Children Count partners integrate pandemic response programming into their work to sustain the gains made in keeping moms and babies healthy. PWRDF will continue to respond to the pandemic as it affects vulnerable communities. We are updating our donors and volunteers regularly, and showing solidarity with our partners whose community members are especially hurting. We are also reaching out to parishes and clergy to see how we can support them as they find fresh new ways to worship online or reopen their doors.

PWRDF was encouraged by the many invitations to share our stories of hope with supporters, despite the fact that Anglican churches were closed for worship. Thank you to all who have donated to our COVID-19 emergency fund or the COVID-19 AMCC extension fund. We are grateful to the Primate, Archbishop Linda Nicholls, bishops and all who have supported staff and board members as we continue to live out Micah 6:8, the mandate which has guided PWRDF over these past 60+ years of ministry.

“What does the Lord require of you, but to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.”

– Micah 6:8
Our IMPACT at a GLANCE

**Language reclamation**
8,000 people have benefitted from Siksika courses to date. (Calgary)

**Mutual reconciliation**
9 facilitators were trained, 2 videos were produced and hundreds of people across Canada participated in the Mapping Exercise. (Canada)

**Compassionate response**
$209,000 was raised by PWRDF donors for people affected by Hurricane Dorian. (Bahamas)

**Clean water**
5,000 people accessed safe, clean water with the installation of 36 community water purification systems. (Cuba)

**Prevention of gender-based violence**
1,000 women had access to medical care and community programs. (Haiti)

**Women’s health**
Health promoters educated women on sexual reproductive health and sexually transmitted infections. (Guatemala)

**Restored lives**
Women recovering from sexual violence were trained in various income-building skills and rejoined their families successfully; 65 women started income-generating projects. (Democratic Republic of Congo)

**Sharing knowledge**
100 Indigenous midwives from the Americas gathered to share best practices. (Peru)

**Sustainable agriculture**
720 rural families learned about finance, administration and organic farming to transform their farms. (Colombia)
$6,237,266
Allocated to development projects

$978,647
Allocated to emergency relief and refugee response

Basic needs
More than 1,000 refugees received shelter, food and health services. (Jordan and Lebanon)

Smart farming
Five demonstration dairy farms promoted climate smart farming technologies benefitting 2,000 farmers. (Kenya)

Emergency food relief
500 households of internally displaced people received monthly food assistance for eight months. (South Sudan)

Quality health information
90,000-100,000 people listened to Radio EHALE. (Mozambique)

Supplementing income with goats
More than 1,200 community health workers are receiving three goats to supplement their income and improve their nutrition. (Malawi)

Earthquake relocation
60 of the worst affected households after an earthquake hit in October were relocated and provided with shelters. (Philippines)

Recovery from drug addiction
A drug addiction recovery rate of more than 60% in refugees living in camps along the Thai-Burmese border was accompanied by a 12% decrease in violence and suicide. (Thai Burmese border)
As the four-year All Mothers and Children Count project ended on March 31, 2020, PWRDF is pleased to see significant improvements in helping transform rural health systems and community behaviour. Through its activities, AMCC contributed to the ultimate goal of reducing maternal, newborn and child mortality in the project targeted regions. PWRDF partners the Diocese of Masasi (Tanzania), Village Health Works (Burundi), Partners in Health (Rwanda) and EHALE (Mozambique) continue to work to maintain and build on these gains in their respective communities. To improve the health of moms, babies and children, several key indicators were measured. Here are just a few:

**Food Security**
AMCC activities have also yielded sustainable gains in food security, food confidence, and equitable distribution of food assets at the household level, which all contribute to community resilience and healthier babies and children in AMCC areas. Significant improvements in the accessibility of malnutrition screening services have allowed responsive food supplementation programs to reduce the incidence of chronic stunting and severe acute malnutrition in AMCC communities.

**Malaria Prevention**
Notable improvements in the number of pregnant women and infants sleeping under insecticide treated bed nets were observed, helping reduce infant and maternal mortality as a result of malarial infection.
Antenatal and Postnatal Care

More women in AMCC communities attended antenatal and postnatal care appointments. Women in AMCC areas were much more likely to have their babies in a clinic than they were before the project started. They cited their improved confidence in local health facilities and health care workers. This is due to training programs for health care providers in the project regions.

Family Planning

There is significant improvement in awareness and knowledge about effective and reliable contraceptive methods, how they are used, the benefits of birth spacing, and where family planning support can be accessed.

More women are using effective contraceptives, which has helped increase demand and improve sustainability in supply of reliable, long-term family planning methods in the rural areas served by AMCC. Men and women are talking more about sexual and reproductive decision making, and have improved relationships in general.

While these gains are significant, it serves to note that AMCC’s rigorous data collection revealed over time the vulnerability of adolescents, in particular girls, and the need to delay sexual initiation and curb early marriage practices within the region. Further education for youth, both in and out of school, is a logical stepping stone to sustain the gains from AMCC and to continue to improve the reproductive health of women in project areas.
Addressing food insecurity at the roots

St. Jude Family Projects is located in the heart of Masaka, in the southwest corner of Uganda. It is dedicated to teaching conservation agricultural techniques that encourage local food production in the face of climate change. In 2019, activities included leading school children in turning school land into a food forest. Students also learned about proper nutrition and environmental sustainability. These efforts had two immediate benefits: to provide food to the school children and to provide children with the experience of planting a garden to take home to their parents. Climate change has also affected the availability of water. The farmers of Agaliwamu have embraced water harvesting. The women worked together to dig contours that harvest water into the gardens, increasing soil fertility and crop yields. Women have also learned to collect rainwater runoff that can be used for irrigation of their crops during the dry season.
“Ah, it looks like this will work!”  
– a workshop participant on learning that peppers, tomatoes and lettuce actually require less water when grown hydroponically rather than in soil

Growing opportunity

In Colombia, PWRDF partner ECLOF is teaching the community to grow food so they can sustain their families and earn an income. In 2019 ECLOF organized a hydroponics course for 13 farmers from Combita, Boyaca. These seven women and six men varied in age and circumstance, but shared the common desire to learn best agricultural and livestock practices such as organic fertilizers, family gardens, crop rotation, nutritional silage/fodder for cattle, reduction of environmental damage, clean water and sanitation.

A new perennial favourite

In Tanzania, the Diocese of Masasi introduced a new perennial cowpea species to smallholder farmers with great success. Farmers sowed the seeds into bean crops with a mulch of dead grass. This drastically reduced the temperature of the soil compared to when it bakes in the sun’s full exposure. Cover crops like this are key to cooling the earth. The dead and living mulch combine to reduce evaporation so that most of the soil’s moisture is used by the plant and then released through transpiration. The cooler soil allows macro and micro-organisms to flourish and cycle minerals to the roots of cowpeas. The roots in turn produce sugars and amino acids to feed macro and micro-organisms that are vital for fertile and biologically active soil.

Grandma learns a new trick

Gakasi’s community gets support from Partners In Health Rwanda and its Program on Social and Economic Rights. POSER improves the lives of families through agriculture, small livestock rearing, income generating activities and savings. During a home visit, POSER staff realized that Gakasi’s grandchild was malnourished. They showed her how to make a 3-by-5 metre vegetable garden that would provide a diverse and nutritious diet. She also received a goat to provide fertilizer. From that small piece of land she was able to grow a bumper crop of onions, carrots and leafy green vegetables. When Gakasi saw how quickly the vegetables improved her grandchild’s health, she expanded her garden to 20-by-30 metres. Now she can feed her family, but also sell her surplus produce.
Ultrasound attracting parents to prenatal visits

For parents-to-be, that first ultrasound can cause waves of excitement. Suddenly, the growing baby seems real. And so it is for families in Rwanda as well. With the introduction of an ultrasound machine through PWRDF’s All Mothers and Children Count program, expectant moms and dads can now see their baby in utero. And this has led to an increase in pregnant women attending prenatal visits. Partners In Health Rwanda encouraged clients to take advantage of a free ultrasound assessment of the developing baby if they come for their first consultation during the first trimester. And not only the moms. The free consultation also sparked the interest of fathers to accompany their partners to see their baby for the first time.
Relief in Gaza

In the spring of 2019, the Diocese of Huron’s PWRDF committee donated a $100,000 bequest to the Al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Israel, under the management of the Diocese of Jerusalem and supported by PWRDF. A few months later, committee member Rev. Andreas Thiel was able to see the gift in action while on a KAIROS delegation to Gaza. In Gaza, 96% of the water is not safe to drink. The encroaching Mediterranean Sea, as well as other chemicals and minerals, are contaminating the aquifers, leaving those who cannot afford to buy bottled water no choice but to continue to use the unsafe sources. This is causing water-borne illnesses and kidney stones, especially among children. Al-Ahli used the bequest to purchase urology equipment to eliminate kidney stones, causing relief and improved health.

No more malnutrition

In Burundi, young mother Tuyisabe Nadine knew her two-year-old son Don Divin was not well. His body seemed deflated and his skin was so fragile that injuries began to appear on his arms and legs. Nadine followed the advice of the community health worker at Village Health Works, a clinic supported by PWRDF through the All Mothers and Children Count program. When she arrived at the Kigutu Clinic, Don Divin was diagnosed with severe malnutrition and was prescribed therapeutic milk. Don Divin recovered in less than three weeks and all his wounds healed. During the two months of treatment Nadine learned about proper nutrition and attended cooking classes.

Broadcasting the facts about better health

Despite the growing prevalence of cell phones, the internet and digital television, the 16 volunteer journalists of Radio EHALE know that radios are an inexpensive way for people to stay up-to-date on the latest news. In Nampula province, Mozambique, EHALE is part of the All Mothers and Children Count program. Approximately 90,000 to 100,000 people — mostly women, but of all ages — listen to the programs in Portuguese and Makua. Radio EHALE works with health authorities to inform the community about disease prevention. Journalists visit communities, interview people and convene group discussions on health, which are later broadcast. In the lead up to the rainy season, stories emphasize malaria and prevention.

“Doctors advised me to give my child plenty of fruits and vegetables and a balanced diet. I will follow these tips.”

- Nadine, learning about malnutrition
Clean water in Kenya means freedom for girls and women

In Makueni County, Kenya, there is very little rain, and it falls in two short rainy seasons per year. With climate change, drought and water scarcity are common. Much of the population gets its drinking water from unsafe sources such as ponds, streams or unprotected wells. Typically it is women’s and girls’ responsibility to gather clean water and this means long walks and hours lined up in scorching heat, leaving them vulnerable to sexual assault and other dangers. PWRDF partnered with Utooni Development Organization (UDO) in a project to install 20 shallow water wells with hand pumps in Makueni County. The wells will supply clean water and cut down the distance and wait time for women and girls, keeping them safe and freeing up time allowing them to focus on other priorities such as earning an income or school. In 2020, more wells will be built, some with solar-powered pumps.
“Six children for me is enough. I can feed them, pay their school fees or other needs.”
-Virginie Shemezimana on learning about contraceptive methods

Giving women a voice in climate change

Colombia is home to half of the world’s moorlands, a natural ecosystem that provides 70% of Colombia’s potable water and feeds the subsidiary rivers that sustain the Amazon and Orinoco rivers. Local and foreign mining companies are pressing communities to leave the land they have protected for generations in the Páramos region, where they live and farm. PWRDF partner ILSA, (Institutio Latinoamericano para una Sociedad y un derecho Alternativos) is training women to become stronger leaders, to protect the environment and to develop income alternatives. About 75 women and their families are learning about women’s rights, leadership, agriculture, public policy and environmental protection. Women have been empowered to participate in the public sphere, running for public office and initiating campaigns on climate change mitigation and environmental protection.

Women gain control over family size

Virginie Shemezimana lives in a camp for internally displaced people in Burundi. She married at 24 and now has six children ages 3 to 15. She wanted to ensure that she and her husband are able to raise all of them to healthy adulthood. “Each year I gave birth, I never knew that there are family planning methods,” she said. With her husband she went to the local dispensary to learn more about family planning. At the Kigutu clinic run by PWRDF partner Village Health Works she was given a contraceptive injection which has been effective and easy. PWRDF’s AMCC project focuses on putting women in control of their own bodies.

Preventing gender-based violence

Since 2014, PWRDF’s support has enabled Partners In Health (PIH) Haiti to run gender-based violence treatment and prevention programming. Between July 2017 and June 2019, the program reached 1,000 women with access to medical care, awareness and advocacy campaigns, and community education. PIH also established adolescent clubs to promote gender-based violence awareness and prevention among male and female secondary school students. In 2019, PIH was able to leverage its success with PWRDF and secure $2 million from Global Affairs Canada for three more years. PIH is grateful to PWRDF for its support which has had a significant impact on the wellbeing of women and girls in Haiti and made this next phase of expansion and funding possible.
Indigenous Communities

Many Indigenous women in Peru, Mexico and Canada must travel far from home, often alone, to give birth in a hospital leading to stress and isolation.

North American Indigenous midwives share best practices

PWRDF has been nurturing a partnership of Indigenous midwives from Canada, Peru and Mexico over the past three years and supporting them as they exchange best practices and advocate for Indigenous women’s rights for a cultural birth. In many Indigenous communities, women must travel far from home, often alone, to give birth in a hospital. The stress and isolation can cause an increase in maternal or infant mortality. In April 2019 close to 100 Indigenous midwives gathered in Peru for the First International Gathering of Indigenous Midwives of the Americas. They met again in August in Mexico. Both gatherings were grounded on Indigenous values such as respect, love and participation. Midwives discussed the challenges of Indigenous midwifery and how to ensure the practice can continue in the three countries. Sessions focused on pregnancy, childbirth and the use of medicinal plants in this ancestral practice.
A road map to reconciliation

In June 2019 PWRDF gathered nine eager trainees from across Canada to learn how to become Mapping the Ground We Stand On facilitators. Staff from PWRDF and the Anglican Church of Canada developed the resource and a large floor map was gifted to each of the Ecclesiastical provinces to help facilitators to share this resource. A filmmaker documented the Mapping Exercise workshop and produced two videos to promote the workshop in parishes. Over the summer approximately 180 people took part in the Mapping Exercise at the Sorrento Centre in British Columbia.

Immersion program strengthens culture

PWRDF partner Kanien’kehaka Onkwawén:na Raotitiohkwa Language and Cultural Centre (KORLCC) in the Mohawk Territory of Kahnawake, Québec, is preserving and strengthening the Kanien’kéha language. It is bringing culturally relevant programs to the community and reinforcing their rich traditions. Over the past 20 years, one of the most successful programs has been the Kanien’kéha Ratiwennahni:rats Program, a two-year adult immersion program. Dozens of graduates are now educators or have launched their own language initiatives, keen to pass on what they’ve learned, in order to preserve their past. “I really didn’t like the fact that I wasn’t able to speak with my grandmother,” says Jessica Lazare, a recent graduate.

Higher learning a pathway to preservation in Alberta

The mission of the First Nation Adult and Higher Education Consortium (FNAHEC) in Alberta is to coordinate the revitalization of the Siksika (Blackfoot) language, culture and history. FNAHEC shares their courses with academia, the Siksika community and NGOs, and digitizes materials to document, preserve and transmit knowledge of the Siksika/Blackfoot language and culture. The acquisition of digital copies of Blackfoot history from the Government of Alberta Archives will strengthen the preservation of Siksika history, research and development of language and culture courses. The Siksika Board of Education also purchased the private holdings of a non-Indigenous writer who recorded many local elders. To date, 8,000 people have benefited from Siksika courses carried out by FNAHEC.
Caribbean churches in the eye of the storm take action

In March 2019, Anglican clergy and lay leaders from the Caribbean gathered in Grenada for a “Pastors and Disasters” workshop. Churches are frequently at the forefront of responding to disasters and play a key role in building resilience in their communities. PWRDF supported and presented at the workshop that was hosted by the Church of the Province of the West Indies, the Anglican Alliance (of which PWRDF is a member) and US-based Episcopal Relief and Development. Participants shared their experiences of disaster preparedness and resilience, and learned best practices using the Pastors and Disasters Toolkit. This resource distils knowledge and experiences gathered from across the Anglican Communion and provides tried and tested practical tools for churches to respond effectively. “I have gained knowledge and confidence from using the Pastors and Disasters tools,” said Tina Beazer, the Long Term Recovery Director of the Virgin Islands Diocese. “When I go back, I plan to discuss with the Archdeacon and start putting it into practice.” The toolkit has been put to the test during subsequent hurrican seasons.
A step towards recovery

In September 2019, the Bahamas faced the fury of Hurricane Dorian, a category five hurricane. An estimated 700,000 people felt Dorian’s impact. PWRDF quickly deployed a grant of $20,000 to Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD), the relief and development agency of the Episcopal Church in the United States. ERD, in collaboration with the Anglican Alliance, was able to directly support the Anglican Diocese of The Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos. Anglicans across Canada donated more than $200,000 to support recovery efforts.

Serving the most vulnerable

Yemen has spiralled into one of the biggest humanitarian crises in the world. According to the United Nations, 24 million people (80% of the population) are in dire need. Sustained conflict and lack of access to humanitarian relief has led to severe malnutrition. In 2019, PWRDF contributed $35,000 from its equity in the Canadian Foodgrains Bank to a food distribution project operated by ADRA Yemen. The project was able to distribute food baskets six times to more than 1,100 households in Harib Al Qaramish District in Marib Governorate. Several Foodgrains Bank members contributed their equity which was then matched by Government of Canada funds.

Seeds of hope in the path of a cyclone

In March 2019, Cyclone Idai tore through Mozambique, Malawi and Zimbabwe. PWRDF joined with its Zimbabwe partner, TSURO Trust, to address long-term food security. Idai had wiped out crops and seeds for the planting season leaving people in Zimbabwe without food and without a source of income. By September, a $429,000 seed distribution project with TSURO Trust, the Canadian Foodgrains Bank and the Government of Canada, was underway. Eligible farmers received seeds just in time to plant before the rainy season. In ward 10, the maize crop and finger millet outperformed expectations. Farmers who transplanted young finger millet to other farmers earned 10% of the value the crop produced by the transplants.

“My hope is restored. I feel so relieved.”
– Tsitsi Foroma, smallholder farmer receiving seeds in Zimbabwe
Accompanying Refugees and Displaced People

Rohingya refugees still in need

When the Rohingya Muslim minority was forced to flee military violence in their home of Myanmar in 2017, PWRDF responded, joining forces with several other faith-based NGOs. In 2019, as the Rohingya crisis became protracted, PWRDF supported ACT Alliance member Christian Aid with an allocation of $40,000. Christian Aid provided health care and WASH services to 10,418 households (26,610 individuals) in the Rohingya community in camp #15. Four water networks were upgraded to ensure an uninterrupted clean drinking water supply and 1,000 sanitary latrines were desludged to ensure access to clean toilets. The local health post provided medical consultations to 6,610 patients and locally trained community health care workers carried out 2,720 outreach visits to those who were unable to get to the health post.

Protection awareness reached more than 14,000 women.
Access to health care key in Cairo

Ongoing conflicts and political unrest in East Africa, the Horn of Africa and the Middle East continue to drive refugees to Egypt. As of October 2019, the UN Refugee Agency of Egypt counted approximately 250,000 refugees from 60 countries with the majority settling in Greater Cairo. Many find themselves on the doorsteps of Refuge Egypt, a ministry of the Episcopal Church in Cairo. In 2019, PWRDF support ensured that 7,000 general medical consultations were provided, including 1,500 referrals for specialized care. It also included essential support for 40 new tuberculosis cases and support for 600 refugees with testing and counselling for HIV and AIDS.

Healthy choices for teens

At Kakuma Refugee Camp, PWRDF supports the work of the National Council of Churches in Kenya (NCCK) to improve the refugees’ health. A key objective is to reduce the spread of HIV, especially among young people. In 2019, NCCK delivered 94 education sessions to students in camp schools with age-appropriate information on reproductive health. This age group requires consistent communication to ensure sustainable change. Teens learned how to prevent HIV and other sexually transmitted infections and how to peer counsel and make healthy decisions. NCCK also conducted debates among 6,076 students focusing on stigma against people living with HIV and AIDS.

Small supports make a big difference

In El Salvador, gangs pose a very real threat to the safety and livelihood of families. PWRDF partner Cristosal accompanies people who are forced to flee their homes, organizing refuge for them in other parts of the country. “I will not be able to get the family through this situation,” said one 50-year-old woman whose family members were being killed by gangs. “It’s difficult, and I cannot leave the country because with all three of my children, I could not complete all the way [to the U.S.].” Fearing for their safety, the family moved to the country and through a local ombudsman’s office connected with Cristosal. They provided legal assistance and psychosocial support to the mother. They also set up a small grocery store (above) for her to run, creating a sustainable income opportunity.

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“Here we live in peace. I feel happy and sure that my family will not have a problem. That is what matters. That little help you gave us made all this come true.”

– a mother fleeing violence in El Salvador
Canadians connect to PWRDF

International Development Week marks 30 years

In February 2020, PWRDF celebrated 30 years of International Development Week, a time when organizations come together under the Global Affairs Canada banner to shine a light on sustainable development in the world’s most vulnerable countries. With the Ontario Council for International Cooperation (OCIC), PWRDF brought Cesar Gamez from CoCoSI (a gender rights group in El Salvador) to Toronto to participate in several events and panels centering on gender rights.

Above: Mark Brender (PIH Canada), Cesar Gamez, Didi Bertrand (PIH Haiti), Carolyn Vanderlip and Jose Zarate (PWRDF staff).

Raising funds with a clatter

In October 2019, young people at Holy Trinity Church in Bridgewater, N.S., led the parish in raising funds for PWRDF’s Hurricane Dorian response. They strategically placed a large galvanized metal bucket near the front of the church so that parishioners could deposit coins (with a great clatter!) when coming up for Holy Communion. The final tally was $639.62.

Growing in Faith

800 email subscribers tried our audio resource during Lent 2020

1,000 subscribers reflected with our guest theologians during Advent 2019

Sunday Schools and families dove into Advent Lives, a new children’s resource

A true team effort!

In May 2019, the Diocese of Montreal and McGill University Health Centre Foundation teamed up to raise funds for maternal health. Zaida Bastos (left), PWRDF Director, Development Partnership Program and guests from MUHC spoke about challenges facing pregnant women, both in Montreal and in the four countries where All Mothers and Children Count operated. More than $10,000 was raised for PWRDF.
Reaping rewards

Grow Hope Manitoba brings together urban and rural parishes to end hunger. For the second year in a row, St. Luke’s in Pembina Crossing hosted hundreds of worshippers for Rogation Sunday. They blessed the fields of the Rev. Chris Lea, who donates the profits from a portion of his crops to PWRDF’s equity in the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

(Above) PWRDF volunteer Rev. Cathy Campbell of Grow Hope Manitoba.

World of Gifts

Last year donors raised $523,863 by supporting our World of Gifts guide. As usual, goats were a top seller, followed closely by other livestock and shallow water wells in Kenya. On behalf of our partners, thank you!

Support for Maison Dorcas

37 participants + 6 teams + 4 cities $18,500 for women recovering from sexual violence at the Panzi Foundation in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

The Great Steeplechase

In September 2019, Anglicans from Scarborough (Diocese of Toronto) raced in support of PWRDF. Teams travelled from church to church (or steeple to steeple) to complete a scavenger hunt. The first team to reach Grace Church Scarborough won. Bishop Kevin Robertson was on hand to congratulate the winners. Proceeds from the entry fees were donated to PWRDF.

#PWRDFSockDay

Our socks were a big hit at General Synod in Vancouver in July 2019!

Supporting the work of PWRDF improves the quality of daily life for vulnerable populations by promoting global justice & self-sustainability. Your commitment is transforming lives.

### Revenue

**Revenue**

*(financial statement April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020)*

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### Expenses (Program Allocation)

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<td>Program Occupancy and Office</td>
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**Administration**

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**Fundraising**

| Fundraising                                             | $ 369,179    | 3.46                |

**Total Expenses**

| Total Expenses                                          | **$ 10,672,496** | **100.00**          |

**Carried Forward:**

| Carried Forward                                        | $ 233,120     | **null**            |
**Parish/Individual Donations**
- Bequests: 14.79%
- Interest and Dividends: 2.57%
- Realized Gain on Sale of Marketable Securities: 1.23%
- Other: 3.60%

**Global Affairs Canada**
- 42.75%

**Parish/Individual Donations**
- Allocation:
  - Africa: 4.30%
  - Asia and the Pacific: 3.48%
  - Latin America and the Caribbean: 2.35%
  - Canadian Anglican Partnership Program: 1.55%
  - KAIROS and Ecumenical Partnerships: 0.81%
  - Canada– Indigenous Communities in Canada: 0.70%
  - Relief and Refugees: 9.17%
  - Administration: 6.71%
  - Fundraising: 3.46%
LOOKING AHEAD

Women are hungrier

By Zaida Bastos
Director, Development Partnership Program

Of the 821 million people in the world right now who do not have enough food, 60% are women and girls. In nearly two-thirds of countries, women are more likely than men to report food insecurity. Yet the key to addressing this hunger inequity, especially in developing countries, depends on women, says UN Women. In response to this growing inequity, the World Food Program has launched the #WomenareHungrier campaign.

In Africa, eight out of 10 agricultural workers are women and in Asia six out of 10 are women. Rural women typically represent approximately two thirds of the 400 million livestock keepers. As primary caregivers in the family, women are the gatekeepers of nutrition — producing, storing, cleaning, cooking food for consumption — and ensuring that food, when available, reaches children first.

Yet despite their roles of ensuring food security in the home, patriarchal norms create disadvantages for women farmers, specifically in land rights, productive resources, unpaid work, insecure employment and exclusion from decision-making and representation. Because agricultural gender inequalities remain strong, women farmers are particularly at risk of hunger, especially when crisis strikes. In countries facing famine, extreme conflict, and hunger, women often eat last and least. They consume the smallest amount of food, sacrificing themselves for their children.

We know the key drivers of hunger are violent conflict, climate change and economic instability. COVID-19 has brought an economic instability that has a devastating impact on the world’s poorest people. It has deepened poverty and is seriously undermining the right to food. The soaring prices of basic food items is affecting rural households in developing countries, where access to food was already precarious.

As the world faces a hunger crisis brought by COVID-19, PWRDF is working with partners to focus on increasing productivity of smallholder farmers, especially women. PWRDF and partners cannot look at food security and hunger through a gender-blind lens. We are addressing ecological challenges, and gender inequality practices that hinder women’s and girls’ access to food. In order to feed the world, and especially women and girls, the world needs to empower rural women. Let’s create a world where every woman and girl has enough to eat.
There are many ways to support PWRDF!

- Donate online at pwrdf.org/give-today, or by phone at 1-866-308-7973.
- Become a monthly donor and provide a steady source of funds to help maintain our vital program work. If you are already a monthly donor, please consider increasing your gift this year.
- Realize a tax benefit through a gift of stock or securities.
- Make a pledge to schedule a larger gift over the year. You can also set up an Endowment for any of our program work so you can support us over a longer period of time.
- Make a donation in memory of a loved one, or in honour of friends and family members as a birthday or anniversary gift. Our annual World of Gifts guide has many giving options at pwrdf.org/world-of-gifts.
- Consider making a legacy gift through a bequest in your will.

Information on all of these options and more is available on our website at pwrdf.org/ways-to-give, or you may contact us at pwrdf@pwrdf.org.

Thank you for your support — you are making a world of difference!