



ANNUAL REPORT 2019

1.10.2018 – 30.9.2019



**Women's Hope
International**

Our year in review

Women's Hope looks back on an eventful year with several highs and lows. The team and Board of Directors dealt with personnel changes, further professionalisation steps and a slight decline in donations. Despite this, the strategic decisions that were made and the newly established NGO alliance "Gender Equality and Health" show that we are on the right track.

Women's Hope started the new year as an all-female team. Gerhard Bärtschi left the association to take on a new challenge after six years as CEO, during which he had driven the development of the organisation forward. With Valentina Maggiulli we now have equally excellent new CEO. She has already been able to demonstrate her expertise during her first few months in the role. Whereas new full-time posts could be created in the marketing and accounting departments, the position of awareness-raising manager was not renewed due to strategic and economic considerations.

From a financial perspective, 2018/19 was a year of consolidation: it was the first time in the history of Women's Hope that the association did not record a financial growth. We had particularly hoped for a better result in the field of project financing.

Despite this, we can still remain optimistic about the future. Women's Hope has come together with IAMANEH Switzerland and Médecins du Monde to form the "Gender Equality and Health" alliance and submitted a joint programme on co-financing with the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (DEZA).

We hope that the additional funding applied for will enable us to expand our projects in 2021.

Thank you!

Women's Hope would like to express its utmost gratitude to everyone who has supported our projects and thereby helped to give more girls and women the chance of a healthy and self-determined life. We would like to give particular thanks to:

- Our **donors and members** for their commitment
- All **foundations, parishes and companies** for their generous support
- The **cantons and political municipalities** for their project contributions
- Our **voluntary helpers** for all their hard work

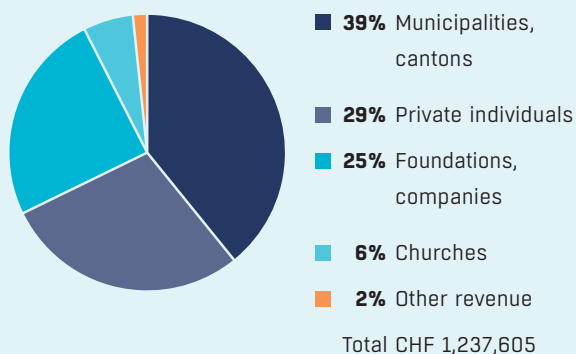
Key data

Together with our partner organisations, Women's Hope was able to achieve great things over the last year. The key data relates to the three core areas that Women's Hope focuses on in its projects:

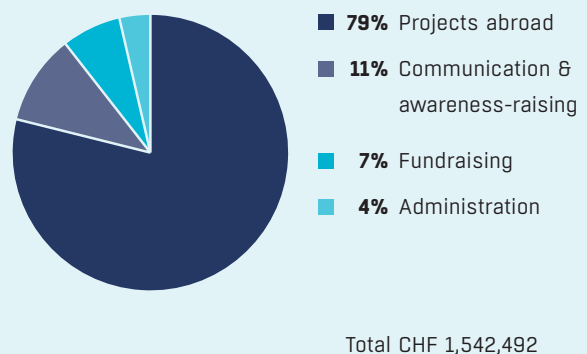
The elimination of gender-based violence (especially child marriage), the strengthening of local health systems and

access to specialized treatments and prevention for obstetric injuries. So far, we have always summarised these three areas under the slogan "strong women, safe childbirth and the healing of obstetric fistula".

Revenue by origin



Expenditure by purpose



Strengthening health systems



Access to and use of health services

- **24,600 births** were professionally assisted in health-care facilities constructed and/or supported by Women's Hope.
- **Prenatal examinations and postnatal support:** over **38,700 women** received one or more prenatal examinations during their pregnancy and over **30,500 women** received at least one postnatal care visit.



Improvement and strengthening of healthcare systems

- **17 health centres were supported** (with e.g. medical devices and products, minor repairs or the installation of solar panels).
- **Over 112 student midwives** received support for their education.

Treatment and prevention of obstetric injuries



Treatment of obstetric injuries

- **320 fistula operations performed.** With a rate of almost 90%, the healing rate was above the international average of average of 85%.
- **50 women** were treated for a **pelvic organ prolapse (POP)**.



Further training for medical personnel

- **5 gynaecologists** received an 18-month **funded training course** in fistula surgery (Afghanistan).
- **1,385 healthcare workers** in rural areas were sensitized on issues concerning obstetric fistulas.



Raising people's awareness of fistulas

- A **video campaign** in Bangladesh reached **250,000 people**
- **Radio advertisement** in Ethiopia reached **a million people**.

Eliminating gender-based violence



Raising awareness to eliminate child marriage (Bangladesh)

- Inclusion of boys and men in the fight against child marriage: around **6,000 men and boys**, including teachers, imams and fathers, were reached and sensitized at 218 meetings.
- Mobilising parents: **1,380 parents signed a pledge** not to give their daughters away for marriage before the age of 18.
- **Creation of 30 "safe spaces"** where girls can play, read, exercise and chat undisturbed.

Balance Sheet

As at 30.9.2019

	CHF	%
ASSETS		
Accounts CHF	613,425	88.8
Accounts EUR	54,352	7.9
Account USD	10,333	1.5
Total liquid funds	678,109	98.1
Receivables	-	0.0
Prepaid expenses	500	0.1
CURRENT ASSETS	678,609	98.2
Financial assets	12,511	1.8
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	12,511	1.8
TOTAL ASSETS	691,121	100.0
LIABILITIES		
Trade payables	-	0.0
Liabilities from social security	12,009	1.7
Deferred income	191,370	27.7
SHORT-TERM LIABILITIES	203,379	29.4
Fund Ethiopia	80,562	11.7
Fund Chad	-	0.0
Fund Afghanistan	2,221	0.3
Fund Bangladesh	188,402	27.3
Thematic funds	5,353	0.8
TIED FUND CAPITAL	276,537	40.0
Acquired unrestricted capital	140,292	20.3
Annual result/previous year's result	70,912	10.3
TOTAL ORGANISATION CAPITAL	211,204	30.6
TOTAL LIABILITIES	691,121	100.0

The financial report has been audited by the auditing body Von Graffenried AG Treuhand. The full annual financial statements can be ordered at www.womenshope.ch/en/information-centre/annual-report and from our secretariat.

Profit/Loss Account

1.10.2018 – 30.9.2019

	CHF	%
REVENUE		
Donations of natural persons	353,404	28.6
Donations of legal persons	306,694	24.8
Contributions of churches	73,048	5.9
Public-sector contributions	484,500	39.1
Total donations and contributions	1,217,646	98.4
thereof earmarked	728,284	58.8
other revenues	19,958	1.6
TOTAL REVENUE	1,237,605	100.0
EXPENDITURE		
Projects abroad	1,017,189	65.9
Staff and material costs abroad	198,166	12.8
Total abroad	1,215,355	78.8
Communication and awareness-raising	34,687	2.2
Staff and material costs C & A	128,541	8.3
Total communication and awareness-raising	163,228	10.6
Actions	12,069	0.8
Staff and material costs fundraising	95,030	6.2
Total fundraising	107,099	6.9
Sales and miscellaneous	-5,040	-0.3
Staff and material costs administration	61,850	4.0
Total administration	56,810	3.7
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,542,492	100.0
Interim result 1	-304,887	
Financial income	192	
Financial expense	-2,935	
Annual result before fund result	-307,630	
Allocation to earmarked funds	-728,284	
Withdrawal of earmarked funds	1,215,355	
Internal transfers earmarked funds	-108,529	
Fund result	378,542	
Annual result before change in organisation capital	70,912	
Increase/decrease in organisation capital	-70,912	
Total change in organisation capital	-70,912	
Annual result after allocations	-	

