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ABBREVIATIONS

AFTF	Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation	CDC	Care Development Center
NGO	Non-Governmental Organizations Committee	WDC	Women Development
PTA	Parent and Teacher Association	UWC	United World College
ICT	Information Communication Technology	SSC	Secondary School Certificate
IGCSE	International General Certificate of Secondary Education Organizations	CBO	Community based
UWCIO	United World College International Office	NC	National Committee
GSHS	Global School-based Student Health Survey	SHE	Society for Health Education
VCT	Voluntary Counselling and Testing		

REFERENCE

Statistical year book of Maldives 2013

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation (AFTF) has been providing in-kind assistance to community initiated projects since 2009. Contrary to previous years, in 2013 AFTF developed its program on three strategic focus areas, Atoll Program, Male Program and Strengthening Partnership with NGOs in Male. Under the program, AFTF selected two to four atolls each year and opened grant to each and every island in the selected region. This year AFTF selected southernmost three islands in Kaafu Atoll, Vaavu Atoll, Meemu Atoll Faafu Atoll and Dhaalu Atoll. AFTF also provide assistance to ad hoc projects apart from the focus areas.

Under the focus area strengthening partnership with NGOs in Male', AFTF supported all the activities of Drop-in Center and Voluntary Counselling and Testing Center (VCT) of Journey. In addition AFTF supported Society for Health Education and Care Society.

Construction of Water and Sewerage System in Haa Alifu Atoll Thuraakunu, construction of an extension building to existing health center of Kaafu Atoll Dhiffushi and digitalizing 25 classrooms of Haa Alifu Atoll School in Haa Alifu Hoarafushi are the ad hoc projects funded during the reporting year.

AFTF also continued funding for 5 of the delayed projects from 2013. These include construction of toilet and donation of outdoor play items to Adh. Dhangethi Preschool. Installation of recyclable compost machine in Lh. Naifaru. Installation of Water tanks in B. Fulhadhoo and provision of outdoor play items to Adh. Fenfushi Preschool Park. AFTF terminated the project, Construction of Community Center in N. Velidhoo during the year. This project was given several opportunities to restart the work of the project. No work was carried out in 2013 and major delay in 2014 led to this decision. AFTF paid the remaining payment of the contractor for the work completed after termination of the project.

Over the past years AFTF have been listing projects submitted to the foundation into categories and by end of 2013, categories added into 9 different areas. This year AFTF received proposals related to Sports, Education, Training and Courses, and Development Projects and Environment. AFTF added Health as a new category, as projects related to Health were funded and implemented this year. Details of the every project implemented during the year can be seen in this report under the headline, projects implemented in the atolls.

AFTF continued to support Care Society as a corporate member and donated MVR 2000.00 each month. AFTF became a corporate member of Care Society in October 2012. The following table shows the number of projects funded during 2014. Details on the projects and amount of funding on the projects will be tabulated under the specific areas in this report.

Area	Number of projects funded
Atoll Program	31
Strengthening partnership with NGOs in Male'	3
Ad hoc projects	3
Delayed projects from 2013	5
Total	42

ATOLL PROGRAM

Islands in Kaafu Atoll (only 3 southernmost), Vaavu Atoll, Meemu Atoll, Faafu Atoll and Dhaalu Atoll were selected under the Atoll Program. Grant application possibilities were opened for all NGOs, Associations, Club, Women's Development Committees and Corporative Societies of all the islands of the above mentioned Atolls. All the projects implemented in the islands were planned, proposed and implemented by these parties. The total population of the southernmost 3 islands selected from Kaafu Atoll is 3882. There are 5 inhabited islands in Vaavu Atoll and the population of the in the atoll is 1606. The population of Meemu Atoll is 4710 and there are 9 inhabited islands in the atoll. Faafu Atoll consists of 5 inhabited islands with a population of 3765. Dhaalu Atoll has 6 inhabited islands and the total population living in these 6 islands is 4967.

During mid of March 2014, island information collection forms were sent out to secretariats of the council offices of these islands. Through this form AFTF collected information on island populations, number of schools in the island, NGOs in the island, their contact person and contact numbers. A list of NGOs and their contacts were compiled in preparation for the field visit to the selected regions.

The secretariats of the council were informed officially by a letter and information sheet giving details of the purpose of the visit, travel and meeting schedule. Secretariats were requested to deliver the information to all NGOs. Before the team travelled to the islands, AFTF directly contacted everyone in the compiled list to make sure if they were informed of the visit and if they were invited to the meeting.

FIELD VISIT AND NEED ASSESSMENT

AFTF team of 1 staff and 2 volunteers travelled to all inhabited islands of Faafu Atoll and Dhaalu Atoll from 31st March to 3rd April 2014. During the second round of visits to the islands, AFTF visited southernmost three islands in Kaafu Atoll, all the inhabited islands in Vaavu Atoll and Meemu Atoll. This trip was conducted from 13-17 April 2014. One staff and 1 volunteer travelled during this visit. During the visits, AFTF held general introductory meeting with all NGOs. In these meetings NGOs were given information on the purpose of the visit, who AFTF is and why AFTF is visiting the islands. Procedures for applying for funding through AFTF were explained in detail and the areas to propose were left for the communities to decide, explaining the areas proposals have been submitted to AFTF during past 5 years. AFTF highlighted that AFTF will be granting in-kind donations only.

In these meetings, NGOs as well as the secretariat shared needs of the communities and NGOs plans for the year. Funding constraints were the main issue highlighted by the NGOs in implementing projects planned. AFTF's travel plan was scheduled in a manner that allowed AFTF enough time to hold separate meetings with NGOs and visit sites of the on-going projects implemented by NGOs. This gives a very clear picture of work done by NGOs and this also helps AFTF to understand the requirements for planned activities for the year. AFTF captured pictures while visiting the on-gong project implementation locations in the islands.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION, EVALUATION AND AWARDING

During the field visits, AFTF distributed project application forms with information sheets. Interested parties were asked to fill this simple proposal form in Dhivehi summarizing project activities, objectives, project participants and benefits in implementing the project. They were also required to provide a list with contacts of the project implementing committee with appointment of one member as the focal point among the members of the implementing committee. Duration of the project, commencement date and finishing date have to be clearly specified on the proposals. They were also required to provide a detailed budget, listing items required and estimate cost with taxes. AFTF had learnt that not all NGOs has the capacity of writing proposals for funding, hence made application form simple that any interested party would be able to fill in and submit for AFTF funding. Deadline for submission of proposal was given as 20th April 2014 for Faafu and Dhaalu Atoll. Deadline for submission of proposals was given as 4th May 2014 for 3 islands in Kaafu Atoll and all the inhabited islands in Vaavu and Meemu Atoll. In 2014 also, AFTF followed the same strategy that AFTF's role will be to only provide funding and that implementation of projects will fall under the role of NGOs.

AFTF team assessed all the proposals based on how the project will benefit a larger number of the communities. Moreover, priority was given to sustainable projects, keeping in mind the number of beneficiaries. Need assessments done during the field visit helped in the assessment to identify if the submissions were related to projects planned or were going to be implementing in the locations visited by the team during the field visits. It also helped to determine if the project could be completed with the donations from AFTF.

All projects were selected within the budget line. This year AFTF allocated USD 5,000.00 per island. Some islands distributed this budget line among smaller projects and some islands submitted one proposal within the allocated budget.

After evaluation and selection of the projects, NGOs were contacted through telephone and fax and by mail to inform about the selection and to award the projects. AFTF officially sent out letters to the secretariats of the islands listing all the proposals submitted by specific islands and also listed the project that were awarded. Projects were awarded during the first week of May 2014.

To award the projects, AFTF signed a Memorandum of Understandings with relevant NGOs. This MoU detailed the role of NGOs and conditions set by AFTF and the time period in which the projects will be implemented. On signing of the MoU, AFTF coordinated with project focal point to discuss the implementation procedures and delivery of items to the islands.

AFTF scheduled delivery plan in a manner that items were delivered in time for the project starting date as specified in the proposals. It was really helpful as most of the NGOs had a contact assigned to coordinate from Male' end. Sometimes meetings were held with these focal points at AFTF office for smooth delivery of items to the islands.

NGOs were requested to inform AFTF in time, the arrival of vessels from their islands. When this information is communicated AFTF made arrangement on delivery of items to the islands. The focal points in Male' sometimes collect items from AFTF office if the collection is in a small number. Bulk deliveries were arranged so that it is delivered to the vessel direct from the vendor. AFTF ensured that staffs were always accessible over the phone. Delivery of items started in May itself and the first batch of items were delivered during the last week of May.

FUNDING CATEGORIES

In 2009 and 2010 AFTF solely concentrated focus on youth projects. In light of the lessons learnt in these two years, AFTF found that communities wanted AFTF to fund other social projects and mostly raised issues with primary education in the communities. Hence in 2011 AFTF broadened to cater the needs of the communities by keeping it open for the communities to propose on the most needed areas for them. Since 2011, AFTF have been adding new areas to the categories and by end of 2013 AFTF listed 9 different areas that funding have been provided.

These areas are categorized focusing on the main cause. For example an infrastructure development project related to education is categorized under education. These areas are listed below.

Education	Projects related to education, provision of equipment, supporting development projects by providing assistance in the completion of finishing work of infrastructure, awareness raising programs and educational competitions.
Sports	Projects related to sports, provision of equipment and sports items, supporting development projects by providing assistance in the completion of finishing work of infrastructure, supporting training programs and tournaments.
Development Programs	Support development projects by providing assistance in the completion of finishing work of infrastructure directly benefitting NGOs and development of social projects.
Environment	Projects related to environment and provision of items to help manage disposal of garbage.
Agriculture	Projects related to agriculture, Provision of items, and supporting training programs.
Training and Courses	Provide assistance in vocational training and develop skills on art and craft.
Cultural and Entertainment	Support programs to revive culture and assisting in entertainment programs planned for festivities.
Administration and Development of NGOs	

Donate equipment and items to assist in the administration of NGOs. Supporting projects implemented by NGOs that will help generate an income to NGOs to implement programs planned by the NGOs.

Strengthening partnership NGOs in Male'

Provide assistance, to projects planned by NGOs in Male', addressing important social issues.

In 2014 AFTF added Health as a new area and added this category to the list.

Health

Provide assistance to health related projects. Supporting projects planned to provide assistance to infrastructure development, health centers, pharmacies, safe water and sanitation and healthy lifestyle.

Under the Atoll Program focus, AFTF received proposals from 7 areas reflecting to the categories listed above. They are Sports, Education, Training and courses, Development Projects, Administration and Development of NGOS, Environment and on the new category, Health.

ATOLL PROGRAM - CATEGORIES BREAKDOWN AND ALLOCATION OF GRANTS

In the table are the total numbers of projects implemented in the islands selected for 2014.

Areas	Number of projects Funded in 2014	Amount in USD
Sports	2	3,791.31
Education	17	69,399.15
Training and Courses	1	818.03
Administration and Development of NGOs	2	5,339.83
Development Projects	2	21,910.30
Health	4	13,868.16
Environment	3	12,307.16
TOTAL	31	127,433.94

AFTF dispatched stickers with the label 'Donated by AFTF' along with items and instructed to place the stickers on the items and also requested NGOs to forward pictures after the installation of the items. For the items that could be spray painted with the donation label, AFTF prepared stencil cutouts and delivered these with spray paint. As in the past years metal plaques with the donation label were also dispatched for construction related projects.

BEST PRACTICES AND LESSONS LEARNT

COMPILING LISTS AND CONTACTING NGOS

In 2014, same procedure was followed in compiling lists of the NGOs. The list was compiled by contacting secretariats of the islands. Some islands forwarded completed list to AFTF and some information was collected over telephone. Few islands had to be contacted few times on delaying the submission of the lists.

On collection of this information AFTF sent official letters to secretariats giving details on the visit and purpose of visit. An information sheet on the purpose and procedures on funding was sent along with the letter. Through these letters islands are informed on the dates and time of visit. A travel plan was prepared and sent along with these letters. AFTF also directly contacted and informed all NGOs of the visit to make sure that they have been contacted and informed as AFTF needs participation of all NGOs in the initial meeting. If an NGO was unable to participate in the meeting, AFTF handed proposal forms to the secretariat to be collected by the NGO. AFTF provided information for these NGOs when contacted.

FORMAT OF PROPOSAL FORM

Project proposal form was revised in light of experience from the past years. The first part of the form was revised to collect information on the Applicant. Tick boxes were added listing if the applicant is an NGO, an association, a club, a committee or a corporative society. This part also collected information on the details on the registration of NGO. The last part included a statement of the signatory that all the information provided in the form was correct information.

Additional information was listed in the form that needs to be followed before filling in the forms. The following points were added. The applicant should fill separate applications for each individual projects. This was included because AFTF learnt that applicants requested items which does not relate to the proposing project. AFTF found that in the past years applicant lists only one person in the implementing committee. To avoid this AFTF strictly asked at least 3 people in the implementing committee and in previous years, to appoint one as focal point. Even though AFTF asked to add GST figure in the budget section and even though it is mentioned in the information sheet, applicants tend to include budget figures without the GST. Listing on the form again lets the applicant see it while filling the form. AFTF also learnt that in some proposals the applicants include the boat charges rate they give for the items. To overcome this issue AFTF asked that boat charges (transportation to

islands) should be added and shown separately on the budget component. If the applicant had planned to contract some part of the project, that should also added separately on the budget component.

REVISIONS TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The MoU signed between AFTF and NGOs was revised in 2013 and this year there were no revisions to the MoU and the same format was used to sign between both parties.

TRAVEL TO ISLANDS

Travel plan is prepared in a way that three to four islands are covered in a day. More time is allocated to islands with most number of NGOs. The travel plan was forwarded to the Island Council Offices prior to the visit. In addition to informing the Council Offices AFTF also contacts NGOs to inform the time of the meetings to make sure that each and every NGO was contacted and informed before the team arrive the islands. Trips are mainly planned for 4 to 5 days depending on the number islands to be covered. Basically AFTF visits 3 to 4 islands on a day. During the visits AFTF meets with Councils, NGOs and Schools in a general meeting where representatives from all parties are met at a venue arranged by the Council. After the introduction of the team and briefing about AFTF, information is given on the purpose of the visit and how to apply for funding. During the meeting AFTF distributed proposals forms and information on the program. Deadlines were set and stated on the proposal forms. AFTF answered questions raised by the participants. AFTF visited locations where NGOs had implemented some of their projects and visited locations selected for new project implementation. Time was given to parties who wished to have separate meetings with the team. In these meetings, projects planned for the year were discussed and AFTF made notes on the projects implemented by the NGOs.

EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSALS

AFTF observed on the following points in the evaluation of the proposal.

- How the project would change the current situation of the cause addressed.
- How useful the project is to the community.
- How the project is planned.
- Number of people will be benefitted from the project.
- If the project can be completed and planned and within the budget line
- How well the project is planned to make it a sustainable project.

IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS

NGOs were first informed about the selection of the proposals over telephone. AFTF sent official letters to secretariats of the islands copied to NGOs with information about the number of proposals submitted from a specific island and the list of projects awarded to that Particular Island. Unlike previous years, this year we did not have issues from Council Offices requesting to fund a specific project.

Rise in price of construction materials is a problem faced every year. But during this year there was not much rise in the construction materials in fact there was a price reduction in aggregate and core sand. Construction work is mainly carried out by the members of NGOs on voluntary basis. Most of the members of the NGOs are full time employees or are self-employed and they volunteer to work during weekends. Members employed in resorts work on their off-days. This is a reason why most of the projects related to construction gets delayed. Lack of skilled people also hinders smooth implementation of projects. Sometimes islands have to hire skilled person within the atoll.

Similarly to previous years, difficulties were faced in transportation of items to the islands. These include delay in arrival of boats from the islands to Male'. Islands that have limited number of boats also face difficulty in arranging boats in a timely manner. Apart from this, bad weather conditions add to the delay in implementation of projects in not been able to continue the work and when boats wait for the weather to subside to travel to Male'. Sometimes items have been delivered to islands on two shipments. This is because of the limitation of space from the boats.

Some projects needed additional funding to be completed. There is duration of over a couple of months from the time of application and to the time of purchase of items. During this time the value of items on the market vary and this is the cause for implementation of projects sometimes with a slight change and sometimes a moderate change of price in items. This contingency is forecasted in the budgeting.

REPORTING

To assess progress, AFTF forwarded the template prepared on project progress report and project end report to the implementing agencies. They were asked to fill in these forms and re-forward these to AFTF. Progress of the projects was also monitored over telephone. Implementing agencies were asked to submit report with pictures. AFTF observed difficulties in getting these reports on time. Several phone calls had to be made to check on when these reports would be forwarded to AFTF. Templates were prepared by AFTF looking into the matter that the reports get delayed. AFTF noted that some implementing agencies do not have the capacity to write reports. But still when the templates were sent not much effort is given to fill it up and send it back.

OUTCOME

AFTF informed the islands and NGOs well in advance of our arrival and we found that we could start the meetings as scheduled and NGOs were looking forward for our visit. AFTF team was warmly received by the islands. We found that most of the islands have heard about AFTF and mostly it was in a positive aspect as an organization that delivers as promised and as scheduled.

Apart from Vaavu Atoll Thinadhoo and Meemu Atoll Raiymandhoo all the islands in Vaavu, Meemu, Faafu and Dhaalu Atoll responded well to our program and submitted proposals. All the islands selected for the year from Kaafu Atoll also submitted proposal. AFTF implemented a total of 31 projects during the year with the majority of the projects being related to education. In Male', AFTF funded 3 projects in collaboration with 3 NGOs. In addition to these projects AFTF implemented 3 ad hoc projects and supported 5 projects delayed from 2013.

PROGRESS

Project implementation started in May 2014 and the first delivery was made during this month. AFTF received a total of 56 projects this year. The 3 southern most islands selected from Kaafu Atoll for the year submitted 7 proposals out of which AFTF funded 5 projects. Except Thinadhoo Island in Vaavu Atoll, AFTF received 7 proposals and funded 4 projects. Except Raiymandhoo Island in Meemu Atoll, AFTF received 16 proposals and funded 8 projects from this Atoll. AFTF received proposals from all the islands in Faafu Atoll. From this Atoll, AFTF received 13 proposals and funded 5 projects. AFTF received also received 13 proposals from Dhaalu Atoll and funded 9 projects in this atoll.

AFTF also supported following 3 projects as ad hoc projects.

- 1- Construction of water and sewerage system in Haa Alifu Thuraakunu Island.
- 2- Construction of extension building to the existing Health Center of Kaafu Dhiffushi Island.
- 3- Smart class project of Haa Alifu Hoarafushi Island.

Details of these projects can be seen under ad hoc projects in this report.

Expenses were made towards the following projects that got delayed from 2013.

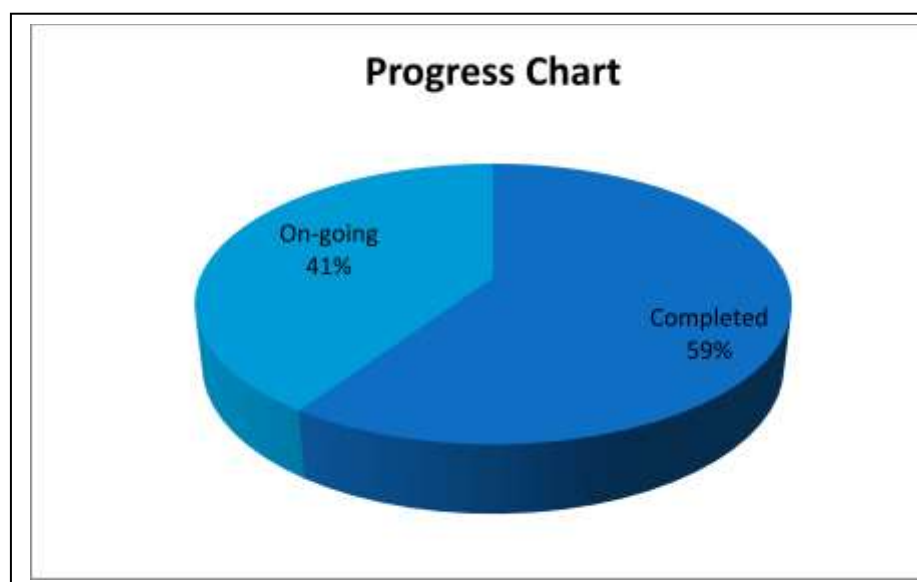
- 1- Purchase of construction materials and outdoor play items for Alifu Dhaalu Dhangethi preschool, under the project renovation of preschool and provision of outdoor play items.
- 2- Purchase spray and preparation of stencils to paint donation marks on the outdoor play items donated to Alifu Dhaalu Fenfushi under the project, construction Preschool Park.
- 3- Final payment for the compost machine imported for Lhaviyani Naifaru under project, provision of compost machine
- 4- Delivery of water tanks to Baa Fulhadhoo under the project, establishment of storage facility for drinking water
- 5- Final payment for the contractor in Noonu Velidhoo under the project, construction of community center.

Out of the 31 projects funded in 2014 and with the delayed 5 projects from 2013, following is the percentage of projects implemented in the islands, categorized into the areas funded in 2014.

Education- 53%
 Health-14%
 Environment-11%
 Development Projects-8%
 Administration and Development of NGOs-6%
 Sports-5%
 Training and Courses-3%

During the year 2014, AFTF funded a total number of 37 projects. This included projects implemented under atoll program, projects implemented in collaboration with NGOs in Male and ad hoc projects funded during the year. This excludes the delayed projects from the year 2013. The chart below is based on these 37 projects indicating the progress by end of the year.

Out of the projects implemented in the atolls 19 projects were completed and work on 12 projects were on-going by the end of the year. The 3 projects implemented in Male' were completed by the end of the year. 1 out of the 3 ad hoc projects funded will be completed during January 2015 and the remaining 2 projects will be completed, one towards mid of 2015 and the other one during the 3rd quarter of 2015.



MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Monitoring and evaluation of AFTF funded projects are mainly done through telephone as this is the most convenient and effective way to communicate with implementing committees of the project on a periodic basis. When members of the implementing committee visit Male', sometimes they come and visit AFTF office and provide updates on the progress of the projects.

Due to the geographical dispersion of islands and the costly sea transportation it is unrealistic to make individual visits to islands for monitoring purpose. Instead AFTF planned monitoring visits closer to completion of many projects. By the end of the year most of the construction projects were in progress and we decided to plan monitoring trips during 2015 when most of these project near completion.

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

AFTF donated items worth of USD 133,854.63 for the atoll program. This included purchase of items, fees for professional support as facilitators or instructors and delivery charges for boats for the delivery of items to the islands. USD 51,599.08 was spent on the activities of the 3 projects implemented in Male'. Out of the program selected for the year, AFTF spent USD 1,774,298.00 on 3 ad hoc projects. AFTF spent USD 44,401.75 on United World College Scholarship Program. This included fees, travel expenses and pocket money and medical for the 2 scholarships awarded during the year. AFTF spent USD 68,878.66 on administrative expenses. These figures are tabulated below.

Component	Amount (in USD)
Atoll Program	127,433.94
Strengthening Partnership with NGOs in Male'	
Activities of Drop-In-Center and Voluntary Counselling and Testing Center of Journey NGO	49,948.63
Donation to Care Society for Care Development Camp	1,369.58
Donation to Care Society as a Corporate Donor	1,556.40
Donation to Society for Health Education for training of trainers for youth on prevention of bullying	1,650.45
Ad hoc projects	1,780,312.91
United World College Scholarship	44,401.75
Staff salary, pension, allowance and administration	66,358.46
TOTAL	2,073,032.12

ATOLL PROGRAM

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED IN SOUTH KAAFU ATOLL

Island:	K. Gulhi
Project Title:	Renewing school gate and assembly area and installation of notice board for students and parents.
Funding Amount:	USD 3,309.68
Project Summary:	The project aims at renewing school gate and assembly area and installation of a notice board for students and parents
Project Status:	All the materials for the project were delivered to island on 12 th July 2014. Even though the materials were delivered, work on the project did not commence as scheduled due to conflict between the principal and the management of the school. Hence, the project got delayed and work did not commence till end of the year. AFTF was informed that the project will be completed latest by during 2 nd quarter of 2015.
Island:	K. Gulhi
Project Title:	Upgrading Gulhi football ground
Funding Amount:	USD 3,309.68
Project Summary:	This project was planned to install lights in the football grounds so that youth can play during the night. Since most of the youth work out of island only they time is during the night. This will also help to develop skills among youth who love to play football.
Project Status:	Concrete based for the light posts were done. Electricity to these lights was supplied from a nearby hut. This project was not fully completed by the end of the year. One of the sides to fix light was getting eroded. Before the lights could be fixed, a solution for the erosion problem had to be fixed.

Island:	K. Maafushi
Project Title:	Procurement of multimedia projector
Funding Amount:	USD 1,505.45
Project Summary:	This proposal was submitted by Maafushi Women Development Committee (WDC). The preschool of the island is managed by the WDC. WDC also conduct various other activities for the community and this includes special programs for women of the island. WDC conducts awareness raising programs and fitness classes for women.
Project Status:	A multi-media projector was donated under the project during June 2014. WDC were in the preparation for starting Zumba fitness classes for women. The item was first used in the Zumba classes. Donation of this item helped the WDC to conduct parent meetings and also used for the workshop conduct to introduce the new curriculum.
Island:	K. Maafushi
Project Title:	Training of Trainers on Parent Effectiveness Training (PET)
Funding Amount:	USD 818.03
Project Summary:	The objective of this training program is to train some people from the community to create awareness and educate parents to bring up children with good behavior.
Project Status:	AFTF was proposed for a multi-media projector and fees for an institution in Male' to run this program in the island. The projector was donated during June 2014. This training program was not conducted during the year because the institution in Male' could not schedule time for the program. But the projector was used for other activities of the school.

Island:	K. Guraidhoo
Project Title:	Installation of Doors and Windows in 3 classrooms and shading of preschool play area
Funding Amount:	USD 4,972.56
Project Summary:	Guraidhoo preschool does not have doors and windows fitted in the school. This project will solve the issue of theft and classroom getting dusty and provide the children a safer environment.
Project Status:	Due to the isolated location of the preschool premises, some items from the preschool have been going missing due to theft. Under the project, aluminum doors and window frames with glass were installed in 3 classrooms. Since the project had extra funds after the doors and windows were placed, Preschool board requested permission from AFTF to utilize the funds to create a shaded area in the playground.



K. Guraidhoo - Installation of Doors and Windows in 3 Classrooms & Shading of Preschool Play Area

After approval from AFTF, shading works started, however, closer to the end of the work some items were stolen from the site. Island council had to procure the items again to complete the project.

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED IN VAAVU ATOLL

Island:	V. Fulidhoo
Project Title:	Construction of club office
Funding Amount:	USD 4,283.00
Project Summary:	Blue Star Club has been having difficulty in planning its activities and doing administrative work since they do not have an office. All their documents were at different places and having a work place will solve these problems and lead them to a more effective administration of the NGO and its activities.
Project Status:	The work of the project started late during November 2014. Materials were delivered during November the NGO had problem getting space from boats coming to Male'. Work was in progress by the end of the year. The project is planned to be completed by end of May 2015.
Island:	V. Felidhoo
Project Title:	Smart School project
Funding Amount:	USD 5004.55
Project Summary:	Introduce modern teaching in the school. Under the project Television systems were installed in all the 10 classrooms in the school. The aim of the project is to increase the standard of education in the school and the school believes to bring a change in the performance of students with these facilities installed in the school. The school population is 78 students.
Project Status:	All the televisions systems were installed and the project was completed during December 2014.



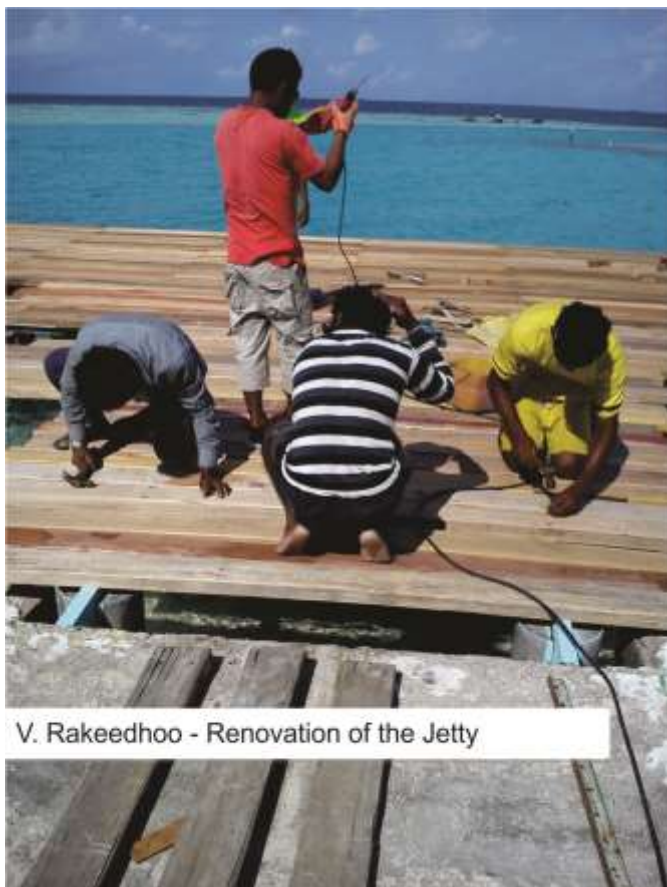
V. Felidhoo - Smart School project

Island:	V. Keyodhoo
Project Title:	Installation of smart board system in classroom
Funding Amount:	USD 3,995.97
Project Summary:	Assist teaching by introducing latest technology into teaching practices and improving student performance and motivation.
Project Status:	The project was implemented by Keyodhoo School PTA with the assistance from the school management. Though there was a slight delay in receiving the smart board to the school, as soon as the board was taken to Keyodhoo School installation works were completed. The smart board system was installed in the Library. After the installation 3 hour training session was held for the teachers on how to use the system. Teachers have to book classes through a booking system lead by 2 teachers and the computer teacher.



V. Keyodhoo - Installation of Smart Board System in Classroom

Island:	V. Rakeedhoo
Project Title:	Renovation of the Jetty
Funding Amount:	USD 5,123.68
Project Summary:	The project was submitted by the NGO, Rakeedhoo Ijuthimaee Gulhun to renovate the jetty of the island. Renovation of the Rakeedhoo Jetty will provide safer method for the islanders and other travelers using it.
Project Status:	When AFTF visited the island. The jetty was leaning from side as one of the concrete posts was damaged. Items requested under the project were delivered to the island during November 2014. The project was completed by end of December 2014



V. Rakeedhoo - Renovation of the Jetty

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED IN MEEMU ATOLL

Island:	M. Dhiggaru
Project Title:	Safe drinking water for healthier lifestyle
Funding Amount:	USD 1,834.42
Project Summary:	Dhiggaru has 16 concrete tanks of 10,000 liters capacity in the islands. The community of the island and some traveler use rain water collected from these tanks. Rain water was not collected in the safest way and people of the island were advised to boil the water before using for drinking. Dhiggaru Women's Development Committee (WDC) submitted proposal to AFTF to install filters and renew the existing water taps of the tanks. A water pump was also requested under the project "clean drinking water for a healthier life"
Project Status:	All the items requested under the project were donated to the island during August 2015. The project was on halt on government's decision to construct water system in the island. AFTF consulted with WDC and the council how we could use the items. AFTF was informed that the issue would be discussed in a meeting with the council and WDC. But by end of the year the meeting was not held.
Island:	M. Dhiggaru
Project Title:	Upgrading of tuition class
Funding Amount:	USD 2,038.69
Project Summary:	To contribute to the education system and to generate income for the activities of Dhiggaru Zuvaanunge Jamiyya, the NGO runs a tuition class in the island. The tuition center will also extend the time of the center to provide opportunity for more children to join the class. Old items in the center will be replaced by the items donated by AFTF. AFTF donated a computer system, a printer and plastic chairs to the center.
Project Status:	All the items requested under the project were donated on 18 th June 2014 and installation was completed soon after the delivery of the items to the island.

Island: M. Maduvvari

Project Title: Modern Education for all students

Funding Amount: USD 5,430.20

Project Summary: This proposal was submitted by Maduvvari School PTA with the aim of introducing computer technology to the students and literate all students on computer science by the time they complete schooling. This program will help to develop computer skills within students and develop interest on education and to excel in studies.

Project Status: The Parent and Techers Association of Maduvvari School submitted 2 separate projects to Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation. Since both projects targets to improve the ICT facilities in the school AFTF suggested to combine both projects for the ease of implementation.

After combining the projects, all the ICT equipment's were handed over to the school on June 2014. Installations of these equipment's were carried out from 25 July to 31 August. All 6 computer systems were placed in the computer lab while 3 of the smart devices were installed with projectors in classrooms. PTA carried installation work during night and school off days so as not to interrupt classes. By end of August 2014, all the equipment was installed in the classrooms and computer lab. Maduvvari School PTA plans to keep a daily log to monitor the usage of the systems in the computer lab.



M. Maduvvari - Modern Education for All Students

Island:	M. Veyvah
Project Title:	Construction of a stage for social activities
Funding Amount:	USD 4,844.40
Project Summary:	Vevah does not have a stage or such place where community functions can be held. Stage areas are developed with store room facility. This will help to store sports items and cultural items which this island does not have at the moment. The Women's Development Committee (WDC) took initiation to construct a stage for various sport activities and cultural activities that are mostly during Eid holidays when most of the people who work out of the island come back to the island.
Project Status:	Construction work of the project started during December 2014. Work is carried out by the WDC and volunteers from the community. This project is expected to be completed by mid-April 2015.

Island:	M. Mulah
Project Title:	Upgrade school sound system
Funding Amount:	USD 4,857.94
Project Summary:	The 'Parent and Teachers Association' of Mulah School submitted the proposal to upgrade the sound system used in the school.
Project Status:	The sound system was taken to the island on 14 th August 2014. Since



a new gymnasium was constructed in Mulah School with the aid of JICA, PTA decided to install the new system in the gymnasium. The system was first used at the opening ceremony of the gymnasium in which Minister of Education Madam Aishath Shiham was the chief guest. After the opening, the sound system has been used in various activities and ceremonies held at school including, school prize day, teacher's day celebrations, PTA meetings, grade 10 graduation ceremony and during examinations.

Island:	M. Muli
Project Title:	Tiling of 3 classrooms
Funding Amount:	USD 3,860.86
Project Summary:	Upgrade the 3 advance level classroom in the school. The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) of the school submitted this proposal to develop these classrooms to provide a safer study place for students.
Project Status:	The project was implemented in the Meemu Atoll Education Center. Tiling work started on 15 August 2014 and was completed on 20 October 2014. The work was carries out by members of the PTA and staff members of the school.



M. Muli - Tiling of 3 Classrooms

Island:	M. Naalaafushi
Project Title:	Renovation of school toilets
Funding Amount:	USD 5,113.96
Project Summary:	Renovating of 6 toilets in the school and roofing the walkway. Teachers and students face difficulty during rainy season to get access to the toilets because it does not have roofing on the walkway to the toilets.
Project Status:	The project was submitted by the school Parent Teachers Association (PTA). PTA advertised for bids and had difficulty getting in bids from the island. PTA discussed the issue with the parents to find if parents could volunteer for the project, but the response was not good. PTA later discussed the issue with Council office and at that time some of the council members were on leave and the discussion were on halt till all members of council could sit with the PTA. The issue was not solved during the year and the project was not completed as scheduled.
Island:	M. Kolhufushi
Project Title:	Upgrade audio visual room of M. Atoll Madharusa
Funding Amount:	USD 4984.58
Project Summary:	The project was submitted by the Parents Teachers Association (PTA) to upgrade the audio visual room of the school. Under the project a smart board system and air conditioning system will be installed in the room.
Project Status:	Installation of the air condition system was completed. Import of the smart system by the supplier was not done by the end of the year. The project is expected to be fully completed by first quarter of 2015.

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED IN FAAFU ATOLL

Island:	F. Feeali
Project Title:	Renovation of 6 toilets in Faafu Atoll Madharusaa
Funding Amount:	USD 3,252.64
Project Summary:	Renovating the 6 toilets in the school where most of the toilets were not in good condition. This project was submitted by the Parent Teacher Association of the school (PTA).
Project Status:	All the materials requested under the project were delivered to the island during September 2014. Members of the PTA and school staff provided assistance in the implementation of the project. The renovation work started on 20 September 2014 and the project is expected to be completed before the school opens for the academic year, in January 2015.

Island:	F. Bilehdhoo
Project Title:	Installation of a can-crushing machine at the garbage area.
Funding Amount:	USD 4,150.00
Project Summary:	This proposal was submitted by NGO Bilehdhoo Youth Generation. When AFTF visited the garbage area, the team observed a huge heap of can collection at the site. This NGO proposed to this project to help the island overcome issues in waste management and lessen some of the non-biodegradable items collected at the garbage area. The NGO has a wider vision of collecting cans and old iron from nearby islands. This could bring them an income for the activities of the NGO.

Project Status: The hydraulic bailer machine was imported during September 2014



and handed to the NGO in October 2014. This machine required 3 phase electricity to run it and this requirement was not available at the area. The Council Office was supposed to provide electricity connection the area. But as discussed before, this arrangement was not completed by the end of the year. NGO requested AFTF for a generator and the purchase of the generator processed during the last week of December. The generator will be delivered to the island in January 2015 and the machine will be run after connection of the machine to the generator.

Island: F. Magoodhoo

Project Title: Upgrading the school sound system and change outdated projector

Funding Amount: USD 2,684.47

Project Summary: To enable teachers and students to make best use of the audio visual room. The school will have a better sound system and help teachers prepare students to achieve good results in the exams especially IGCSE ordinary level examination. The sound system will also be used for awareness raising programs in the school and in various events of the school.

Project Status: Installation work of the equipment was completed and the projector is used mobile for various activities and events of the school.



F. Magoodhoo - Upgrading the School Sound System and Change Outdated Projector

Island: F. Dharanboodhoo

Project Title: Renovation of School Hall

Funding Amount: USD 4,899.29

Project Summary: The objective of the project was to install aluminum doors and windows in the school hall to protect the students and classrooms from the rain, dust and theft

Project Status: Dharanboodhoo School has been using its hall for classrooms since the beginning. The classrooms are divided by foldable wood partitions. The walls surrounding the hall are built up to chest high level and no doors or windows were installed.

Because there are no doors and windows to protect the classrooms from rain and wind students and teachers face lots of difficulties to carry out the sessions. During rainy days it rains soaking the classroom and their belonging while on windy days, dust and other objects carried by the wind enter the classrooms.

This project was carried under direct supervision from the principal. Works started on 6th August 2014 by adjusting the surrounding wall to prepare for installation. Later when the frames were built in Male'

they were taken to island and installed. Installation works were carried out by school PTA. This project has benefitted 76 students, teachers, parents and school management. The project was completed on 31 August 2014.



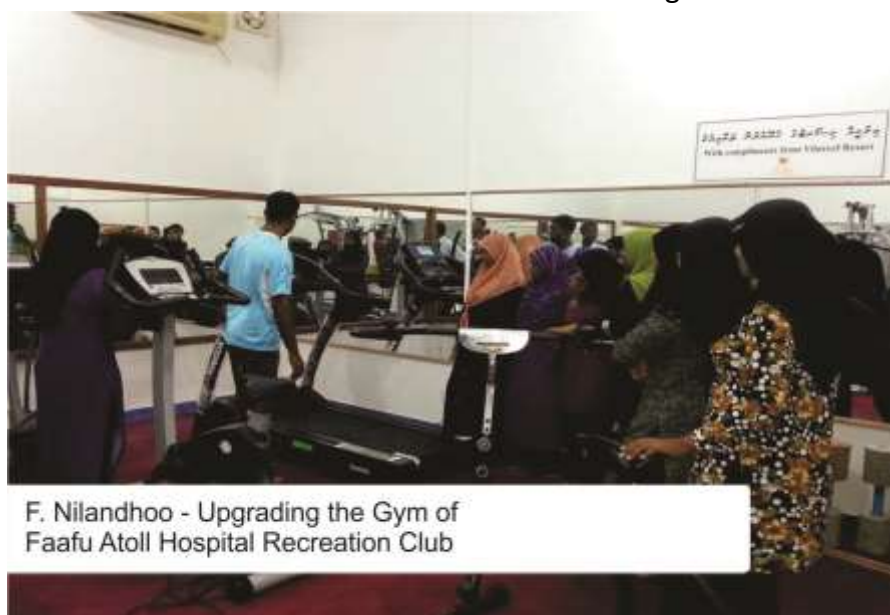
Island: F. Nilandhoo

Project Title: Upgrading gym of Faafu Atoll Hospital Recreation Club

Funding Amount: USD 4,876.79

Project Summary: Introducing gym to the community to keep fit and follow healthy lifestyles. When AFTF visited the island the recreation club of the hospital had already set up gym with facilities and items donated from 2 of the nearby resorts. To upgrade and to have the latest facilities in the gym, the club requested additional items for the gym from AFTF. As this is the only project submitted from the island AFTF donated the items requested under the project.

Project Status: This is the project that the first delivery for the year was made. Items were delivered to the island in May 2014. Setting up the items was completed as soon as the items were received by the club. The club conducted awareness session for gym members on starting exercising and using the gym from 2 week of July to the end of July. Further session was conducted to general public on awareness in exercising during August 2014. A special session was conducted for women on exercising and healthy lifestyle on 5 September 2014. A second session for the general community was again conducted on 10 October 2014. The club charges MVR 200.00 from the members of



the gym as a membership fee and those who come for gym and are using items donated from AFTF, they are allowed to use it free. AFTF listed this clause in the MoU that during the project period people using AFTF donated items shall have it free.

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED IN DHAALU ATOLL

Island: Dh. Meedhoo

Project Title: Renovation of Meedhoo Womens' Pharmacy and supply of medicine

Funding Amount: USD 5,198.51

Project Summary: The pharmacy was in bad condition when AFTF visited the island. The paint had almost peeled from all the walls and the medicine racks were old and worn out. Women's Development Committee (WDC) runs the pharmacy in the island. The project will also upgrade the facilities in the pharmacy. More medicine will be made available through the project. At present only the common medicines are available from the island and if there is a need for other medicines, that has to be bought from Male'.

Project Status: The renovation work of the pharmacy was carried out by youth and the members of the Council Office. As this was a very important project for the island the response from the community was high and people volunteered to assist to complete the project. The project was completed during July 2014. 1323 people of the island benefitted from this project.



Dh. Meedhoo - Renovation of Meedhoo Womens' Pharmacy and Supply of Medicine

Island:	Dh. Bandidhoo
Project Title:	Construction of waste burning bed
Funding Amount:	USD 2,722.60
Project Summary:	Construction of a waste burning bed. Municipal solid waste will be burnt on the bed and the residue will be used as fertilizers. Burning waste also helps to reduce the volume of debris collection at the garbage area.
Project Status:	The project was submitted by the NGO, Island Re-development Society. The project was awarded to a contractor and the bed was completed in 60 days. The project was handed over to the Council Office after completion of the project. It was stated in the report that the Council Office has plans to hand over the project to Fenaka Corporation for the management of waste in the island.



Island:	Dh. Bandidhoo
Project Title:	Establishment of three phase electricity to garbage area to run the can-crushing machine in the island.
Funding Amount:	USD 3,134.56
Project Summary:	Island Re-development Society of Bandidhoo initiated to submit proposal to connect three phase electricity to the garbage area. The can-crushing machine in the island could not be used because the machine requires three phase electricity to run the machine. Unfortunately three phase electricity was not available at the garbage area. AFTF was proposed to get for the project to establish three phase electricity to garbage area.
Project Status:	All the items requested under the project were donated and delivered to the island in June 2014. The project was awarded to a contractor to connect 3 phase electricity to the garbage area. Project was completed on 11 October 2014. The can-crushing machine was in operation after the completion of the project. AFTF was informed that the Council plans to hand over the waste management of island to Fenaka Corporation.



Island: Dh. Rinbudhoo

Project Title: Upgrading Rinbudhoo school computer lab

Funding Amount: USD 5,431.65

Project Summary: All the computers in the school were outdated and almost all the computers were not in good condition. Due to the issues in the lab the computer lab was closed temporarily. The project was submitted by the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) to purchase new systems to the lab and start computer classes for the students. The aim of the project was to familiarize computers to students and educate themselves on using computers. Upgrade teacher's standard in computing and help them prepare lessons using computers. PTA also aims to aware the community on basics of computing depending on time available for extra activities. The lab will also be provided to other parties for workshops and IT programs.

Project Status: The computer systems were delivered to the island during June 2014. Before the installation of the systems in the lab, electrical wiring was completed from the fund of PTA. After the completion of the project a workshop for teachers on professional development on ICT was conducted on 15 August 2014. Programs for students started on 14 September 2014. A computer literacy program was conducted to student of grade 1-4 and basic computer training program started for student of grade 5-10. Teachers facilitating these programs had



Dh. Rinbudhoo - Upgrading Rinbudhoo School Computer Lab

completed their certificate level 2 & 3 courses in Male'. PTA also plans to conduct programs for preschool students and teachers. PTA aims to develop computer skills of students before they complete grade 10 and prepare them to be able to use computers when they start their jobs. A total

number of 121 people benefitted from this project during the year. This includes students, teachers and parents.

Island:	Dh. Hulhudheli
Project Title:	Installation of a notice board at the school for students and parents.
Funding Amount:	USD 1,648.22
Project Summary:	To install a notice board outside on the wall of the school where important notices to students, especially to parents will be displayed.
Project Status:	All items for the project were handed to the island on 1 December 2014. The project was awarded to a contractor in the island and work was expected to be completed by 31 December 2014, but due to bad weather work was delayed. AFTF was informed that the project would be completed before the school opens for the academic year and January 2015.



Island:	Dh. Hulhudheli
Project Title:	Installation of official school gate
Funding Amount:	USD 579.56
Project Summary:	Having an official school gate for the school.
Project Status:	All the materials requested under the project were delivered and handed to school on 1 December 2014. The project was awarded to a contractor and the project was completed on 31 December 2014.



Island: Dh. Maaenboodhoo

Project Title: Football tournament 2014

Funding Amount: USD 481.64

Project Summary: NGO, Mudi Jamiyya organized this football tournament and was held during Eid holidays. The aim of the tournament is to develop football skills among youth of the island. Program is focused during Eid holidays because most of youth return to island for Eid. Football tournaments also help youth to meet at one place and spend some quality time with friends while most of them are in the island.

Project Status: The tournament was opened for all youth of the island. It was advertised publicly in the island. 7 teams participated in the tournament and games were played in 2 groups. The finals were held on 1 August 2014.



Dh. Maaenboodhoo - Football Tournament 2014

Island:	Dh. Maaenboodhoo
Project Title:	4 th Quran Competition organized by NGO, Mudi Jamiyya
Funding Amount:	USD 1,056.65
Project Summary:	This is a competition organized by NGO Mudi Jamiyya during the Ramazan. This is the 4 th competition where students from the preschool and the school take part. The aim of the competition is to revive the love for Quran in the hearts of the students and provide students to perform and express their talent in reciting the Quran.
Project Status:	71 students participated in the competition in the one day competition held on 19 July 2014.



Dh. Maaenboodhoo - 4th Quran Competition
Organized by NGO, Mudi Jamiyya

Island:	Dh. Kudahuvadhoo
Project Title:	Upgrading preschool outdoor playground
Funding Amount:	USD 5,043.09 (Total project cost USD 7,784.59 / USD 2,480.00 was funded by PTA)
Project Summary:	The preschool had couple of outdoor items in the compound of the school. The Parent Teacher Association (PTA) of Kudahuvadhoo Preschool submitted proposal to upgrade the outdoor play area of the school by getting more play items for the students.
Project Status:	The items requested under the project were imported from abroad. The PTA placed order for the items and customs clearance was done by the PTA. Contribution of USD 2,480.00 from PTA funds was credited AFTF account and AFTF made direct payment to the supplier in two installments. Items were delivered to the island by end of August 2014. Installation work started on the same day and was completed by 25 September 2014.



STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIP WITH NGOS IN MALE'

JOURNEY NGO

DROP-IN-CENTER AND VOLUNTARY COUNSELLING AND TESTING CENTER (VCTC)

For the year 2014 the project was approved by AFTF for the proposal requested and submitted by Journey NGO to continue the activities of the drop-in-center and Voluntary Counselling and Testing Center (VCTC).

AFTF signed agreement with Journey NGO on 29 December 2013 to support all the planned activities of its drop-in-center and the VCTC in 2014. This agreement was signed to conduct all activities of both centers effective from 1st January 2014 to 31st December 2014.

The main activities of the center included:

- To provide a safe environment to the underserved male and female drug users to recover from their drug addiction.
- To provide drug education and skill based education to recovering drug users. To intervene drug users by various outreach activities.
- To provide referral services to for the drug users to important agencies. Manage individual cases of registered clients.
- To provide counselling, peer counselling and group therapy.
- To educate and help parents and codependents of drug users.
- To provide voluntary counselling and testing for HIV.
- To provide round the clock crisis intervention services.
- To provide 24/7 mobile telephone help and counselling services.

In addition to these activities and services, recreational facilities are made available for the recovering drug users.

For the year 2014, HIV component was integrated to the drop-in-center activities, which included the services of VCTC. Activities conducted under the VCTC included post counselling for HIV, blood sampling and post testing and counselling. All counselling and peers support group program were conducted by certified counsellors.

The drop-in-center project and VCTC was conducted as scheduled and planned. All the targets were met within the budget frame. A total of 151 educational sessions were conducted throughout the year and repeatedly 1744 clients attended these sessions. The topics covered were drug education, science of addiction, relapse and general knowledge.

Daily outreach program were conducted through the weekdays. In addition to outreach program in Male', outreach program was conducted in Villimale and Hulhumale. A total of 219 people were reached through the program. The teams found an increase in pharmaceuticals among younger generations. Users were brought for services through this outreach program.

Registering new clients at the center is an integral part of the drop-in-center. In 2014, a total number of 219 new clients were registered at the center. Most clients who got registered wanted to get detoxified and have counselling. This service was provided together with family counselling. The new clients and families were provided with adequate information on the available services.

Parental sessions were a vital part of the support system, while the clients are in recovery. A total of 12 parental sessions were conducted. The topics covered included, codependence, science of addiction, why people use drugs, getting help, personal health, communicating with users and how to help and support drug users to quit.

A total of 291 interventions were conducted throughout the project period. Most of the crisis interventions were on phone calls from concerned parents. 117 of such cases were attended. 174 brief interventions were conducted. Some of the interventions resulted in taking the client to abroad rehabilitations centers.

355 HIV tests were conducted during 2014. Pre and post counselling for HIV was provided to these clients. Tests were done through IGM Hospital. Utmost importance is given for HIV testing of all the clients who take drop-in-center services, considering the risky behavior of the injecting use groups and sex work female drug users.

Peer counselling helps a lot in keeping the client motivated to staying clean and sober. A total of 297 peer counselling sessions were conducted. Most clients who requested for counselling were very desperate. Some of the clients were brought to counselling sessions by their parents. New IEC materials were produced with the support of MRC and UNICEF. IEC materials were disseminated in the outreach programs and prevention program trips to islands.

Referrals provided a lot of assistance to the clients in getting the needed services. 270 clients were referred to detox centers. 22 clients were referred to methadone clinic. 94 users were accompanied to get access to referral services. Phone counselling services and guidance were provided to 346 clients.

The main difficulties faced during the year were the wear and tear of the equipment used at the drop-in-center. Most of the items at the center were very old. AFTF team visiting the center witnessed that the couches in the seating area were all worn out. Some of the indoor items like the billiard table were damaged. Drug users sometimes exploit facilities of the center. With the 10 years' experience of handling drug users and recovering addicts trained

team at the center were vigilant for any such behavior of clients while they were in the center.

Structural changes were brought to the premises during the year. With the changes, access to the recreational facilities would be only accessible to the clean and sober clients. All the services would be continued and special importance would be given to the sober clients. Client registration and referrals will be organized at a desk at the entrance to the center. The peer support group system brought in very positive results from the drop-in-center and journey's plan is to revert back to this system which openly welcomes drug users and brothers once they go to detoxification and rehabilitation. As aforementioned, the concept for 2015 was revised and peer group support system would be practices. Active drug users would be sent to detoxification or rehabilitation to motivate them to use the facility. Similar to previous years, drug counselling, family counselling, referrals to services and the needed essential support would be provided to active users, but they would be exempted to use the facility they get clean.

CARE SOCIETY

CAMP FOR THE STUDENTS OF CARE DEVELOPMENT CENTER (CDC)

CDC camp was organized to give an opportunity to the students to learn in an enjoyable and a different environment. Care Society has been organizing several such camps in the past years. This year's camp was opened to children between the ages 5-12 years with a more wide range of disabilities, with the focus of promoting independent living skills and socialization. So as to allow more children the opportunity to participate this year's camp, it was held in Hulhumale. The camp was targeted to 5 to 12 year old students studying at CDC. The camp was planned for 17 students but for various reasons some students could not take part in the camp. 13 and 22 staff and volunteers participated in the camp.

The camp activities included, independent exploration, and was designed to be more individualized, focusing on specific aspects of importance for each child. The camp provided opportunities for teachers and staff to observe the children for an extended period of time, without the presence of their parents, in a different environment. It also allowed teachers to learn more about the children and their personalities.

Main activities conducted in the camp:

Indoor activities: Most of the activities conducted indoors focused on social and motor development of the students. This includes doing different puzzles, sitting together and engaging in activities like singing, drawing, colouring and story reading. Maximum effort was

put to allow students to engage with each other independently and complete tasks without prompting from the teachers.

Snacks and meal time: During these times students were given opportunities to choose their own food and eat independently. Few of the students who joined the camp were very independent in eating, however with the limited support from the teachers, students did put an effort. Learning to eat on their own is one self-help skills they learn at school too.

Lorry ride: Providing opportunities for students to explore the nature and outdoor is one of the very basics of integrating and inclusion of persons with disabilities. For many students this lorry ride was the first time they had taken such a ride which helped them to explore the roads and the changes in the environment. Apart from this, students also learn to follow the instructions and communicate their thoughts with the teachers and other students. Communication is one of the basic development areas that are intervened at CDC.

Visit to park: Enjoying fun time at the park which helped students to develop motor skills.

Camp fire: The basics of the camp fire were to give an opportunity for the students to experience the true nature of camps. It is a common custom followed around the world in camps. However there was a little controversy in the matter in Maldives at the moment. The kids enjoyed the interaction with the guide leaders who organized the camp fire. It is a rare opportunity for the students and such opportunities would help them learn more about society.

Watching sunrise: The purpose of the activity was to provide an opportunity for the kids to learn about sunrise and how it plays a huge role in their daily life. For some kids this was their first time watching sunrise.

Beach activity: Beach is one of the best treasures in the country for the kids to develop many skills. The water and the sand act as sensory stimulators, water can reduce hyperactivity and facilitate physical movements and it is so much for all. The students played different games, each game focused on their coordination, communication and motor development. Kids got the opportunity to learn basic swimming skills and enjoyed beach and water. Furthermore students learnt different habitats that occupy the beach area and spent some time exploring the nature.

All these activities addressed to development of skills in the areas of motor, social, self-help and independent living skills. All activities were conducted as planned.

Due to personal reasons, some students were not able to take part in the camp however the camp was not cancelled as not to deprive the opportunity for those students who were ready for the camp. Some construction work was carried out at the camp site which was not informed to Care Society earlier and this caused few problems in conducting the activity.

A camp report was done for all students separately. The report focused on the activities and how individual students interacted. Any specific issues faced by the students or development or changes observed were included in the report.



SOCIETY FOR HEALTH EDUCATION (SHE)

TRAINING OF TRAINERS FOR YOUTH ON PREVENTION OF BULLYING

Society for Health Education (SHE) submitted a proposal to address the prevalent issue of bullying in the Maldivian Schools. Below is an overview of the project submitted by SHE. According to the proposal submitted by SHE and based on the Global School-based Student Health Survey (GSHS) conducted nationally in 2009, SHE highlighted that 37.7% of students surveyed reported having experienced one or more incidents of being bullied. Among the students who were victimized, demographic statistics revealed that 34.2% were girls.

The high prevalence of bullying behaviour in schools was also evidenced by an unpublished survey conducted by SHE among guides aged 11-14 years. The survey revealed that 99% of the participants agreed to the existence of bullying behaviour in their classrooms regardless of whether they may or may not have been directly involved in it. Moreover, the young adolescents who took counselling sessions on various issues were identified as having been bullied, which was then determined as the underlying issue for their distress.

The GSHS (2009) also determined several ways that students were victimized which included physical attacks on the students, deliberate stealing and damaging of students' properties. Furthermore, some of these acts have also transgressed to the use of weapon to threaten and injure other students on school grounds. In Addition, the survey also indicated that within the 12 months prior to the survey 43.2% of students were seriously injured one or more times. A number of students also reported being absent to school for fear of endangerment to their safety both at school and on their way to school.

The act of bullying has a negative impact on all parties involved; namely the victims, bullies, bystanders and even the schools. The victim faces as increased risk of mental health problems; depression, anxiety, substance abuse, and is also vulnerable to academic, social and emotional problems such as non-acceptance from peers, being suspicious of others, having low self-esteem and so on. Likewise, the students who are bullies are also at an increased risk for substance abuse, academic problems and engagement in additional violent behaviour in later life. Bystanders also experiences feelings of helplessness and guilt, and have an increased risk of substance abuse and other mental health issues.

In the event that the bullying is allowed to continue, the school is affected at all levels; students fail to become engaged in the learning process, parental confidence, satisfactions, and staff retention becomes low and the school develops an environment which promotes fear and disrespect (Department of Educations and Early Childhood Development 2013; National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, 2012).

The training program was conducted from 21 – 27 December 2014. 29 participants took part in the training program out of which seven participants were girl guides. 7 facilitators assisted in the training program. Specific key areas addressed in the five day training program were; children at risk, bullying, internet safety, helping survivors of bullying, helping bullies and creating a bully free environment, communication, assertiveness, self-esteem and resilience, anger management, facilitation skills, giving and receiving feedback.

Objectives and methodology of training

- To sensitize youth leaders on issues concerning children at risk and the factors which make them more vulnerable to bullying and harassment, etc.
- To provide adequate knowledge and skills for the promotion of well-being of adolescents and children.
- For participants to be able to support the promotion of students' self-esteem, self-confidence, health interaction and behavior.
- To train youth leaders to conduct sessions on prevention of bullying in schools by increasing the competence of students to protect them against bullying and to empower students to understand to protect them against bullying and to empower students to understand, identify, prevent and report bullying.
- To develop facilitation skills and an action plan for youth leaders to facilitate sessions at different schools.

The training applied the widely acknowledged theory (i.e. experiential learning theory) which implies that people learn best by practice and reflection on their experiences. A variety of methods were used in the workshop; demonstrations, practice, discussions, presentations, group work, role plays and exercises. All participants were provided with a variety of opportunities to discuss, share personal experiences, reflect and also to participate in practical activities.

The enthusiasm and commitment of the participants contributed to rich discussions.

ALLOCATION OF GRANT

STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIP WITH NGOs IN MALE'

Male' NGOs	AMOUNT IN USD
Drop-in center and VCT center of Journey NGO	49,948.63
Society for Health Education	1,650.45
Care Society	1,369.58
Care Society/Monthly donation	1,556.40
TOTAL	54,525.06

UNITED WORLD COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A total of 39 students applied for the UWC scholarship opportunity opened up in 2014. The selection process involved a three – tiered process where the applicants' performance in each of the three standard processes of selections; the application, the camp and the interview. The three processes were given a weightage of 15%: 40%: 45%.

Compared to previous years, this year saw a more rigid marking criteria and scoring system in the shortlisting of applications. 21 applicants were shortlisted and invited to attend the two day selection camp held on March 14th and 15th at the premises of the Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality in Male'. 19 attended the two-day camp fully. At the camp applicants took part in a number of individual and group exercises and was assessed on personal attributes, creativity and leadership and initiative.

Nine applicants were shortlisted and invited to a final interview on 17th March. In addition to UWC alumni, Ms. Rasheeda Ali and Mr. Arshad Jameel sat on the interview panel as external evaluators. During the interviews, applicants were asked a number of questions to assess for exposure to and belief in UWC ideals, personal attributes such as humility and self-reflectiveness and ability to think critically. While there were a number of standard questions applicants were also questioned about specific things mentioned in their applications. After tallying of scores and adding up percentages scored by applicants in the three processes, applicant Hassan Saaidh Saleem ranked first and Ainnie Hassan Saeed ranked second.

While, the overall selections process was smooth, all involved in the process expressed a level of disappointment with the applicant pool – the low number of applications received, the low number of applications received from out of Male’, the lack of diversity among applicants in terms of interests and aspirations. It was also felt that while the rigid application shortlisting criteria and score system, increased transparency and accountability, could filter out applicants with potential but without the necessary writing and presentation skills to shine on a paper application. Furthermore throughout the process there were a number of conversations on the use and need for more rigid criteria versus being more flexible with set criteria for the sake of inclusivity.

In light of the above issues, the Selection Committee recommends the following: a) Do more widespread publicity to increase diversity of applicants; b) Initiate a more in – depth focused discussion on the intent of setting criteria; and c) Commit more time to the whole process – especially to shortlisting.

ALLOCATION OF GRANTS FOR UWC SCHOLARSHIP

UWC	Amount in USD
Fees	32,866.76
Air ticket and pocket money	9,065.41
Selections/camp/interviews	2,469.58
TOTAL	44,401.75

IMPLEMENTATION OF AD HOC PROJECTS

DIGITALIZING 25 CLASSROOMS OF HAA ALIFU ATOLL SCHOOL IN HAA ALIFU HOARAFUSHI

With the initiation of Haa Alifu Atoll School Parents Teachers Association (PTA), this project was submitted to AFTF by Ha. Hoarafushi Council. The aim of the project was to upgrade the educational facilities available in the school and to provide a better and interactive learning environment to the students. The concept was developed due to low performance and decreasing overall results in all grades. Furthermore to implement an interactive classroom approach for teachers to maximize the time spent by teachers for a session.

At present the school has 430 students from 1st grade to 12th grade. The school consists of 25 classrooms, whereas unfortunately none the classrooms have any audio visual equipment. Hence the school faced difficulties to achieve some of its strategic objectives which have been designed in the strategic plan for 3 years from 2014. The digital learning environment is one of the key instruments to stimulate the students in this evolving and advancing era of information technology. Moreover, listening skills of the students which is tested at the IGCSE curriculum cannot be enhanced profusely due to insufficient audio visual devices.

The main objectives of the project are;

- Providing students and teachers with enjoyable learning and teaching environment.
- Improving performance of all the students by increasing the pass percentage in all the subjects.
- Catering differentiated lessons for the students with different level of thinking.
- Minimizing discipline problems among students.
- Utilizing the lesson timing efficiently.
- Providing audio visual classes and listening periods for students.
- Providing internet facilities to the classes.
- Upgrading the knowledge with most advanced information, communication technology resources.

To achieve the objectives, all the 25 classrooms in the school were planned to be fully equipped with 60" led television sets, required cables will be fixed to connect laptops and other devices. A memorandum of understanding was signed between Ha. Hoarafushi Council and AFTF on 24 December 2014 to supply items required to digitalize 25 classrooms of the school. All the items requested under the project were received by the president of Ha. Hoarafushi Council on the same day the MoU was signed. The items were handed to the school on 26 December 2014.

Installation work of the TV sets was projected to start on 1 January 2015 and complete by 8 January 2015. The installation work will be done by some of the staff of the school. Ha. Hoarafushi Council will monitor the progress of the project. Connection of electrical wiring and all other works will be completed before the school opens for the academic year 2015 on 11th January.

CONSTRUCTION OF AN EXTENSION BUILDING TO EXISTING HEALTH CENTER OF KAAFU ATOLL DHIFFUSHI

The project proposal was submitted by K. Dhiffushi Council to Meeru Island Resort management on 3rd March 2013 in a meeting held to handover a plaque to the Management of Meeru Island Resort in recognition of the assistance provided by Meeru Island Resort to the Health Center. Ever since the opening of the Health Center in September 2004, Meeru Island Resort has been supporting the Health Center in providing consultation service by the Doctor at the Resort. The doctor consulted in the center twice weekly. In addition, medicines were also provided by the resort.

The management of the health center proposed the project to construct an extension building to the existing Health Center to overcome the difficulties in providing service to the community in a small building. The building consisted, a consulting a room, room for dressings and injections, a room for observation where patients will be admitted in the same room, a general store, a medical store and office space.

The project was passed to AFTF by the resort management. After reviewing the proposal by AFTF Executive board, the project was approved for funding on May 2013. By the end of 2013, Ministry of Health approved the request sent for the construction of the building and provided the detailed drawings and the BOQ of the building.

The building consists of a ward with 6 beds and 2 toilets, delivery room with 2 beds and a toilet, 1 laundry room with a toilet, 1 room for vaccination and growth monitor, 1 room for

health education and public health with 2 toilets and 1 room for counselling and family planning. The area of the building is around 300 square meters.

The construction work of the building commenced on 3rd April 2014 and the project was completed on 7th September 2014. The building was handed in writing to the Ministry of Health on 28 December 2014. The official inauguration of the building and the handing over function scheduled to be held in January 2015.



CONSTRUCTION OF WATER AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM IN HAA ALIFU THURAAKUNU

In December 2012, the Executive Committee of AFTF decided to fund the construction of water and sewerage system in Ha. Thuraakunu. AFTF officially informed the Ministry of Environment and Energy on the decision of the Executive Committee on 25th December 2012. Ha. Thuraakunu Council started the administrative work of getting the approvals from the concerned government authorities to prepare for the preliminary arrangements to start the work of the project. A meeting with officials of the Ministry, Council and AFTF was held on 22nd January 2013. It was discussed in the meeting that AFTF will fund to complete the project, detail designs will be prepared on awarding to a consultant, the contract value would be known after tendering the project, and the council has to prepare the land use plan and get the plan endorsed by the Ministry of Housing and Infrastructure. AFTF confirmed that the work on design would commence once the land use plan gets approved. First it was discussed that AFTF will transfer funds to the Ministry's account.

Tendering and project awarding would be done by the Ministry. As the procedure for the tendering any project through the government would require certain steps to be followed and the process would take time, it was approved that AFTF would open the project for tender and appoint consultants and contractors for the project.

AFTF submitted letter to Ministry of Environment and Energy on 21st February 2013 informing the Ministry the role and responsibilities of AFTF. It was stated that the project will be funded by AFTF, appointment of consultants and contractor and project awarding will be done by AFTF. All administrative work will be done by Ha. Thuraakunu Council. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Ministry, AFTF and Ha. Thuraakunu Council on 7th May 2013. The scope of work of the 3 parties was clearly stated in the MoU.

AFTF signed consultancy agreement with Sandcays Private Limited to prepare concept designs, environment impact assessment and detail designs of the project. This agreement was signed between both parties on 24th February 2013. The contract price for the consultancy was MVR 135,000.00 (exclusive of GST at 6%).

Council applied to the Ministry of Home Affairs for the formal approval to start sewer and water construction on the land allocated for the project. This approval was granted to the Council on 3rd September 2013. The land use plan was developed and submitted to the Ministry of Housing and Infrastructure for their approval on 3rd June 2013. On 5th September 2013 the preliminary design report was submitted to Ministry of Environment and Energy for approvals. The report was approved on 23rd October 2013. The environment impact assessment report was submitted to the Environment Protection Agency on 25th November for the approvals. This report was approved on 12th January 2014. The detail design of the sewer project was approved on 19th March 2014.

AFTF started work of finding a contractor for the project. In this regard, AFTF met with the officials of the Maldives Water and Sewerage Company (MWSC) on 10th February 2014. In this meeting project scope for the client and the contractor was discussed.

Contractual terms, contract price payment terms and delivery period were also discussed. A second meeting was held with MWSC on 24th February 2014 on the finalizing a contract prize. AFTF observed that the contract price of MWSC was higher compared to other projects the company had implemented in the island. This comparison was made having a look at the contract prices of the projects implemented by the company in comparison to the population. In this context AFTF met Altec Maldives Private Limited and offered the company to submit proposals for the project. After scrutiny of the proposal AFTF decided to award the project to this company. Agreements between the two parties were signed on 9th June 2014. The contract price for Water and Sewerage are MVR 16,890,964.00 and MVR 20,256,550.00. The figures are exclusive of GST at 6%.

AFTF officially informed selection of the contractor and award of project to the Ministry of Environment and Energy on 10th June 2014, the. In this official letter AFTF also requested the Ministry for the exemption of duty on the materials imported for the project.

AFTF was asked to submit the materials and tools to the Ministry. The list was submitted to the Ministry on 22nd June 2014 and the request was granted to AFTF on 8th July 2014.

Work on the project commenced on 3rd September 2014 and 60% of the materials were delivered to Ha. Thuraakunu. Since this date the work of the project was on-going as scheduled. 50% of sewerage and 15% of water project was completed by end of 2014. AFTF spent a total of MVR 26,048,046.86 for this project through year 2013-2014.



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ALLOCATION OF GRANTS FOR AD HOC PROJECTS

Ad hoc projects	AMOUNT IN USD
Digitalizing 25 classrooms of Ha. Atoll school in Ha. Hoarafushi	22,565.86
Construction of an extension building to existing health center of K. Atoll Dhiffushi	71,135.71
Construction of water and sewerage system in Ha. Thuraakunu	1,686,611.34
TOTAL	1,780,312.91