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Abbreviations

AFTF	Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
CS	Care Society
CDC	Care Development Center
CSM	Cancer Society of Maldives
MAA	Maldives Autism Association
SHE	Society for Health Education
MRC	Maldivian Red Crescent
DSM	Diabetes Society of Maldives
IEC	Information Education and Communication
HIV	Human Immune Virus
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
VCT	Voluntary Counselling and Testing
VCTC	Voluntary Counselling and Testing Center
SRH	Sexual and Reproductive Health
PND	Prenatal Diagnosis
STI	Sexually Transmitted Infections
UTI	Urinary Tract Infection
RTI	Reproductive Tract Infections
NDMC	National Disaster Management Centre
ERT	Emergency Response Team
UWC	United World College

OVERVIEW

In 2017, AFTF implemented a total number of sixteen projects and supported two scholarships. During the year, AFTF spent a total amount of USD 3,959,798.65 on charity on these three focus areas. Details on the projects supported during the year is incorporated in this report under the headline, projects implemented. All the activities of the projects supported by AFTF were implemented with the generous support of our donors, KASA Holdings Private Limited, Mr. Hussain Afeef, Mr. Ibrahim Noordeen and Crown Company Private Limited.

Mosque construction. Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation continued the construction work of the seven mosques that were on-going from the year 2016. These mosques are located in Ha. Thakandhoo, Hdh. Hanimaadhoo, Sh. Narudhoo, Sh. Kanditheemu, R. Hulhudhuffaaruu, M. Mullah and L. Maamendhoo. Four of the mosques were completed during the first half of the year and the remaining three mosques were completed by end of September 2017. Three of the mosques were officially handed over to the Ministry of Islamic Affairs and the remaining four mosques were handed over to the respective council offices of the islands.

Sewerage system. AFTF held a function to sign contract agreement with Altec Maldives Private Limited on 20th February 2017 to design and build the water and sewerage system in K. Dhiffushi. The ground breaking was also done on the same day at the function. The water and sewerage system at K. Dhiffushi is a donation by Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation and Meeru Island Resort and Spa for the people of K. Dhiffushi. The project is expected to be completed by end of August 2018.

United World College scholarships. Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation (AFTF) has been continuing the United World College (UWC) Scholarship Program since its inception. Scholarship offer for 2017 were opened from 18th October 2016 until 26th January 2017. AFTF received 48 applications of which 27 applicants were females and 21 applicants were males. Additionally AFTF also supported the continuation of the 2 scholarships offered in 2016. Scholarship offer for 2018 was opened in October 2017.

In 2017, three students were offered scholarships to Mahindra United World College in India, Red Cross Nordic United World College in Norway and Waterford Kamhlaba United World College in Swaziland. AFTF was offered a 50% scholarship, a 100% scholarship and a 25% scholarship from these colleges respectively.

Supporting NGOs. AFTF continued its program in strengthening partnership with NGOs in Male'. Under this program AFTF supported six NGOs in Male' in implementing eight projects. The NGOs are Journey, Maldives Autism Association, Cancer Society of Maldives, Care Society, and Society for Health Education and Maldivian Red Crescent. AFTF renewed the agreement with Care Society for the year 2017 to support the organization every month as a corporate donor. Under the focus area, AFTF supported the projects; Drop-in-center services and VCT center services of Journey, Establishment of Care Clinic Services of Care Society, Expanding facilities to Children with Autism beyond the sphere of Maldives Autism Association, Multi-Purpose Health Trip of Society for Health Education, Facilitators training workshop on health, wellness and cancer

awareness for school health officers organized by Cancer Society of Maldives and Flood mitigation project of Maldivian Red Crescent.

Projects	Number of projects funded in 2017
Construction of mosques	7
Integrated Water and Sewerage System	1
Partnership with NGOs in Male	8
UWC Scholarship	2
Total	18

PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED

CONSTRUCTION OF MOSQUES

Construction work of mosques in Ha. Thakandhoo, Hdh. Hanimaadhoo, Sh. Narudhoo, Sh. Kanditheemu, R. Hulhudhuffaaru, M. Mulah and L. Maamendhoo continued while finishing works were carried out in Sh. Kanditheemu, R. Hulhudhuffaaru and L. Maamendhoo mosques. The capacity of the mosques are 304 people at Ha. Thakandhoo mosque, 704 people at Hdh. Hanimaadhoo mosque, 304 people at Sh. Narudhoo mosque, and 704 people at Sh. Kanditheemu mosque, 504 people at R. Hulhudhuffaaru Mosque, 704 people M. Mulah mosque and 304 people at L. Maamendhoo mosque.

The names of the mosques are;

Ha. Thakandhoo	Masjidh Shaheed Ali
Hdh. Hanimaadhoo	Masjid Moosa Ali
Sh. Narudhoo	Masjidhul Anwaaru
Sh. Kanditheemu	Masjidhul Thaubu
R. Hulhudhuffaaru	Masjidhul Nooru
M. Mulah	Masjidhul Falaahu
L. Maamendhoo	Masjidhul Hudha

Challenges

Challenges were faced during the year 2016 in the mobilization of the projects mainly because the allocated lands were not prepared to start work by the Ministry of Islamic Affairs which was the main reason projects got delayed to the year 2017. But we have to highlight that AFTF did not face any difficulties or challenges in implementing the projects in the year 2017.

The first three mosques that were completed during the first quarter of 2017 were officially handed over to the Ministry of Islamic Affairs at a small function held at the Ministry. The remaining mosques were officially handed over to the respective council offices of the islands.

Final inspections of the mosques were done in the presence of officials from the Ministry of Islamic Affairs, the council offices and the contractors. Final inspection of one of the mosques was conducted with the presence of officials from the contractor and the council office as the Ministry could not give dates to attend at the final inspection. AFTF and the contractor could not delay the process as the contractor would have to bear additional expenses on managing the labor requirements for the extra days they would have to be in the island.

Progress

Three of the mosques were fully completed during the first quarter of the year. Sh. Kanditheemu mosque was officially handed over to the Ministry of Islamic Affairs on 15th January 2017. R. Hulhudhuffaaru and L. Maamendhoo mosque were handed on 8th February 2017.

The remaining mosques were fully completed by end of August 2017 and was officially handed to the respective council offices. M. Mulah mosque was handed on 14th May 2017. Sh. Narudhoo mosque was handed on 1st August 2017. Hdh. Hanimaadhoo mosque was handed on 1st September 2017. Ha. Thakandhoo mosque was handed on 1st October 2017.

Monitoring and evaluation

All projects related to construction of mosques were monitored over phone. In addition AFTF requested monthly progress reports and progress pictures from the contractors before 10th of each month. For easy follow up and monitoring, AFTF set guidelines that all communications to the Ministry of Islamic Affairs on any matter should go through AFTF.

Expenditure summary

All the seven mosques were fully funded by the Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation and a total amount USD 1,744,824.43 was spend on the projects during the reporting year. The table below gives the actual contract of the projects and the amount AFTF spent during the reporting year.

Projects	Total contract value (in USD)	Amount spent during the year (in USD)
Construction of mosque in Ha. Thakandhoo	440,160.07	334,880.80
Construction of mosque in L. Maamendhoo	421,530.48	88,794.87
Construction of mosque in M. Mulah	505,836.58	192,467.48
Construction of mosque in R. Hulhudhuffaaru	421,530.48	169,184.47
Construction of mosque in Sh. Kanditheemu	575,819.43	187,428.86
Construction of mosque in Sh. Narudhoo	434,317.01	330,359.42
Construction of mosque in Hdh. Hanimaadhoo	575,819.43	441,708.53
Total	3,375,013.47	1,744,824.43

INTEGRATED WATER AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM IN K. DHIFFUSHI

AFTF signed contract agreement with Altec Maldives Private Limited on 20th February 2017 to design and build the water and sewerage system in K. Dhiffushi. The ground breaking was also done on the same day at the function. The water and sewerage system at K. Dhiffushi is a donation by Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation and Meeru Island Resort and Spa for the people of K. Dhiffushi. K. Dhiffushi is an island located in the north of Male' Atoll, with a population of around 1300 people. The project is expected to be completed by end of August 2018.

Mr. Abdulla Saleem Abdul Sattar signed the agreement on behalf of AFT Foundation, while Mr. Walter Kauffman (Managing Director) signed on behalf of Meeru Island Resort & Spa and Mr. Ibrahim Naseem (Managing Director) Signed on behalf of Altec Maldives Pvt. Ltd.

The water system comprises of water connection to 335 houses. 8920 meter water pipes will be laid. 2 storage tanks of 400 ton and 2 RO plants of 60 tons will be installed. A plant house and an operations building will be constructed under the water facility.

The sewer system comprises of water connection to 335 houses. 8251 meter sewer pipe will be laid. 4 pump stations will be construction under the sewer facility. A 90 kilowatt backup generator will support both the systems in an electricity failure.

Challenges

The council office was requested to clear the garbage and the garbage disposal site and cut down some trees on the path where water and sewer lines would be running. These requirements were not attended by the council office till end of 2017. Delay in catering to this need may hinder smooth progress of the project during the year 2018 and forecast a delay in completion date which is by end of August 2018.

Progress

Implementation of the project commenced on 9th March 2017. The project progressed as scheduled. 64.62% of the water facilities and 83.33% of the sewerage facilities were completed by the end of the year.

Monitoring and evaluation

The project was mainly monitored over phone. In addition AFTF requested monthly progress reports and progress pictures from the contractors before 10th of each month. AFTF officials visit the island to monitor the project occasionally.

Expenditure summary

The project was awarded to the contractor on a contract value of 4 million US dollars. AFTF spent a total amount of 2 million US dollars during the reporting year.

STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIP WITH NGOs FROM MALE'

The executive committee of AFTF met with Journey, Care Society, Cancer Society of Maldives, Maldives Autism Association, Maldivian Red Crescent and Society for Health Education on 11th January 2017 to discuss plans of the NGOs for the year 2017. They were then offered to submit project proposals and we received propositions from each NGO. The propositions were reviewed by the executive committee of AFTF.

AFTF held a function on 26th February 2017 to award grant to the NGOs listed above. The activities coordinator of AFTF, Ms. Karin Fathimath Afeef handed over the project awarding certificates to the NGOs. Below are the details on the projects that received AFTF grant in 2017.

JOURNEY

Drop-in-Centre and VCT Center

Drop-in-center of Journey NGO is a 12 year old peer support group concept designed by Journey. AFTF have been supporting this initiative from 2013 to date. The project include a number of activities. Namely; to provide a safe environment to the underserved communities of male and female drug users to recover from their downward spiraling addiction on drugs. To provide drug education and skill based education to recovering drug users. To intervene drug users by various outreach activities. To provide referral services for the drug users to important agencies. To manage individual cases of registered clients. To provide counseling, peer counseling and group therapy. To educate and help the codependents and parents of drug users. To provide Voluntary Counseling and free testing for HIV. To provide round the clock crisis intervention services. To provide 24/7 mobile telephone help and counseling services and to provide recreational services to the recovering drug users.

Voluntary Counselling and Testing are also conducted under the services provided from the drop-in-center. Activities conducted under the VCT Centre includes Post Counseling for HIV, Blood sampling for HIV and Post testing and counseling. All counseling sessions and peer support programs was conducted by certified Counselors.

The main objectives of the drop-in-center are to provide the present services, and widen the services provided to the families and individuals lives which are devastated by drug use. To reintegrate the sober recovering drug users back to the community as productive citizens of the nation. To educate & build skills of recovering users to confront the life with a positive perception.

Outcome

At least 12 Educational Sessions were conducted Monthly, A total of 148 Education Sessions were conducted throughout the project year, and the topics covered included Drug Education, Science of Addiction, Relapse Prevention, HIV, Skill Education and General Knowledge. Repeatedly 1947 times clients attended to 148 classes.

Registering new clients at the center is an integral part of the drop-in-center. A total of 89 clients were registered in 2017. Most clients who got registered wanted to get detoxified and have a counseling session. To the needs, drug and family counseling was provided. The new clients were provided with adequate information regarding the available services

Parent Sessions is a vital part of support system, while the client is in recovery. A total of 13 parental sessions were conducted; 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. The new program "AARU" introduced in 2016 was carried out this year as well.

A total of 166 Interventions were conducted throughout the project period. Crisis interventions totals to 74, most of the crisis interventions were regarding phone calls from concerned parents.

92 brief interventions were conducted, some of the interventions resulted in taking the client to abroad rehabilitation centers. 4 clients were sent for abroad rehabs.

Peer Counseling helps a lot in keeping the client motivated for staying clean and sober. A Total of 316 peer counseling session was conducted. Most clients who request for counseling sessions were very desperate. Some of the clients were brought to counseling sessions by their parents, as a mean to help their child to become free from drugs.

Referrals provide a lot of help to the clients in getting the needed services; 80 clients were referred to detox centers, Accompanied referral was provided to 19 users, in getting access to services.

There were 382 requests over the phone for counseling, these were attended, counseled and guided.

175 HIV tests were conducted during 2017, Pre and Post Counseling for HIV was provided to the clients. Tests were done through IGM Hospital. Considering the risky behavior of the Injecting drug user groups and sex work of female drug users, importance is given for HIV testing of all the clients who take drop-in-center services. 943 Condoms were freely distributed from VCTC. No client was found to be HIV positive this year. A total number of 1390 IEC materials on different topics were distributed.

In addition to the funds provided by AFTF for drop-in-center and VCTC, The tickets and items needed for clients who were referred to detoxification center of Fuahmulaku was provided by donations made by the staff of the NGO. 8 clients were sent to Fuahmulaku detoxification center by contribution of the staff. To further help the clients to easily access the detox center, the staff of the NGO waited in queues and made appointments to fill the forms which has to be stamped by courts and the prosecutor general's office. This was done voluntarily by the staff.

Monitoring and evaluation

The project was mainly monitored over phone and at meetings held between AFTF and Journey. In addition Journey submitted quarterly reports as in agreement with the AFTF grant award.

Expenditure summary

AFTF spend a total of USD 45,395.60 on the activities of the drop-in-center and VCT center

CARE SOCEITY (CS)

Establishment of Care Clinic Services

The project was planned to partner with international company to work along with the first phase of the establishment of the clinic project. A consultant was hired to develop the clinic concept and conduct necessary assessments of the target members and students of Care Development Center (CDC). Under this program teachers of CDC will be provided training and guidance to work under the supervision of an international consultant.

Establishment of an outpatient clinic for needed community can contribute to the provision of professional therapies to persons with disabilities. With the services being centralized in the capital city Male', parents and families of people with disabilities find it challenging to get these services. The cost of travelling to Male' from the islands, accommodation and the services are not at an affordable price. The need for having these services at an affordable price, under specific insurance scheme would make it less of a burden on the parents and families of people with disabilities.

Care Society planned to take a fee for the services to sustain the services of the clinic and negotiated with government authorities to include the cost in the national insurance scheme. Even though the government does not have policy to accommodate this service in the insurance scheme, Care Society held discussions with the government authorities to incorporate the expenses in the national insurance scheme. This effort was not successful in the year 2017. Care Society will continue the discussion with government authorities and seek support from partners to find a solution to less burden on the families.

Challenges

- Governmental agencies are at times not reliable when it comes to providing information and proper documents
- Lengthy procedures to register the documents for the clinic and therapists.
- As Care Society does not have its own premises and is operating inside a residential building which is owned by another person, the access to essential documents such as (floor plans and building permits) are not readily available.
- Communication between the partner agency and Care Society is limited to emails and other electronic means as they live in another country.

Outcome

A consultant from STEPS Group India, was hired and assessments of 22 target members including CDC students were carried out by the consultant. Care Clinic Concept was drafted and shared with the Executive Board members of Care Society and also with potential donors as well.

Simultaneously Care Society has been working with a lawyer to draft a partnership agreement that is to be signed with the STEPS Group India. The first draft has been developed and shared with the STEPS Group India.

Additionally, the procedure for clinic registration is being carried out. A therapist was registered in the Medical Board and his arrival is anticipated in March 2018.

Contribution to care society as a corporate donor

AFTF renewed the agreement with Care Society at the beginning of 2017 and AFTF donated a monthly contribution of MVR 2000.00 to Care Society every month.

Monitoring and evaluation

The project was mainly monitored over phone and at meetings held between AFTF and Care Society. In addition Care Society submitted quarterly reports as in agreement with the AFTF grant award.

Expenditure summary

AFTF spend a total of USD 19,832.68 on the project. The expenses were mainly on hiring the consultant, on the training program and on mobile clinic facility to Ha. Ihavandhoo. In addition USD 1556.40 was spent on monthly donation to Care Society.

SOCIETY FOR HEALTH EDUCATION (SHE)

Multi-Purpose Health Trip to K. Maafushi

With the support of AFTF, the program was conducted in partnership with Diabetic Association of Maldives with K. Maafushi Health Centre, K. Maafushi Council, K. Maafushi School and Maldives Correctional Services. One of the main purposes of the trip was to expand services to reach the marginalized and under-served. In order to reach target audience awareness sessions were conducted in various areas of the island and in addition complimented with outreach around the island. Teachers, students, parents, health care service providers, out of school youth, elderly, general public and uniform bodies (Maldives Correctional Services) were the target audience for the camp. The camp was conducted for two days from 20th April 2017 to 21st April 2017.

A number of topics related to Psycho-social support, Sexual Reproductive Health, Health and Thalassaemia were covered during the Multi-Purpose Health Camp. The sessions were conducted on the following topics.

- Prevention of Child Abuse and Mental Well-being for parents.
- Understanding Student Wellbeing and Mental Wellbeing for Teachers.
- Addressing bullying.
- Teaching preschool students to protect themselves.
- Thalassaemia and G6PD awareness for parents.
- Thalassaemia and G6PD awareness session for students.
- Prenatal Diagnosis and medical termination of pregnancy session for health workers and health centre staff

- Men's health (mental and physical health)
- Awareness session on diabetics for health centre and council staff
- Family planning, breast cancer, cervical cancer and sexually transmitted infections and HIV/AIDS and UTI for parents.
- Adolescent development (puberty, personal hygiene and nutrition for students).
- Positive adolescent development for hospital and council staff.
- Diabetic awareness for elderly people.
- Living with diabetics for students.

Apart from the awareness sessions and outreach, specialized doctor consultations were facilitated. Additionally a number of testing services namely; free Voluntary Counselling & Testing for HIV, screening for Thalassaemia & DNA testing and Blood sugar, was provided during the camp. All the services offered at the camp were free of cost.

Challenges

- Expected number of participants was not reached, as very few parents attended the sessions.
- Few people attended the fair
- Expected number of consultations was not reached as few people came for consultations

Main outcome

Through the program a total number of 805 people were reached. 83 people were provide with free thalassaemia screening service. Provided specialized consultation to a total number of 55 clients of which 29 clients were for gynecological consultation and 26 were for pediatric consultation.

Expenditure summary

To conduct the Multi-Purpose Health Trip, Society for Health Education was granted a total amount USD 3,242.54.

MALDIVES AUTISM ASSOCIATION (MAA)

Installation of Smart Board facility in 4 classrooms of Autism Center

Maldives Autism Association started classes in its new premises in Hulhumale in April 2017. MAA requested AFTF to equip four classrooms of the Autism Center with smart interactive learning facility and with the grant assistance MAA installed smart boards in these classrooms. The smart boards were installed in April 2017 before the new premises were open.

This technology engages all types of students and facilitates differentiated instruction. Smart board helps to improve communication skills through group collaboration. It further enables all students, even those who cannot hold a pen, to write and interact with content using the finger-touch accessibility. For students who have trouble using traditional keyboards and mouse, the touch and click allows them the opportunity to interact with a computer easily.

The smart board gives educators the ability to present things visually, and enable educators to create and alter activities to control students' learning. Educators enjoy using the smart board to create visually engaging and interactive lessons. Since students frequently respond well to visuals, the smart board takes this one step further by projecting really large visuals. The technology provides educators with an easy way to project worksheets, pictures for background knowledge, or any other visuals to share with the entire class. Educators liked the fact that the smart board is flexible and gives the opportunity to change activities quickly. Educators can create an activity and change it as students watch. The boards were also utilized in consultation and evaluation of the students. It was also used for teachers' personal development and for parent awareness workshops. The boards are an ideal medium for language and communication development. It was also used for therapies for other disabilities as well.

Outcome

Implementing this project benefitted all the 93 students of the Autism Center.

Expenditure summary

AFTF spent a total amount of USD 12,970.16 for the procurement of installation of smart boards.

CANCER SOCIETY OF MALDIVES (CSM)

Facilitators training workshop on health, wellness and cancer awareness for school health officers.

With the support of AFTF, the Cancer Society of Maldives (CSM) conducted the fourth facilitators training program on common specific cancers, general cancer risk factors and nutrition basics in collaboration with school health and safety section of educational supervision and quality improvement division of the Ministry of Education. The objectives of the training workshop were to raise awareness on cancer and its important role in prevention of risk behaviors among the community and in school children, train teachers and community in cancer awareness, planning and implementing cancer awareness activities, conducting advocacy meetings for parents and community on cancers and basics of nutrition.

The sessions conducted in the workshop include general cancers, oral cancer, and childhood cancer, breast cancer, cervical cancer and nutrition basics.

The workshop was conducted over 8 days spanning from the 11th of September to 28th of September 2017. Sessions were conducted from 8.30 am till 4.30 pm. Participants from 18 atolls attended the four days' workshop.

On the last day of the workshop, participants did group presentations on selected topics given by the facilitators. CSM awareness presentations and other resource material were given to participants to prepare for the presentation.

The facilitators assessed the participants. Results of the assessment indicated good presentations skills and good understanding of the topics. Further, facilitators identified points to improve and explained on ways to improve. The Aim of the workshop is to develop the participants to conduct awareness programs in their respective islands and atolls.

Challenges

Only a handful of participants organize forums for raising awareness in their respective atolls or islands. CSM noted that during their field visits to some islands they try to get hold of the trained professionals with the objective of making them facilitate in a session, and secondly to refresh the knowledge they gained at the training. Unfortunately some participants step back giving different reasons.

Outcome

52 participants were trained in the workshop. Out of the 52 participants, 28 participants were from m Male' schools and the remaining 24 participants represented 18 atolls.

Expenditure summary

To conduct the training workshop AFTF granted a total amount of USD 19,229.57 to CSM.

MALDIVIAN RED CRESCENT (MRC)

Flood Mitigation Project – Construction of a Pump Station at Hdh. Nolvivaram and supply of pumps, equipment and tools to Hdh. Nolvivaram and Hdh. Kulhudhuffushi

The Maldivian Red Crescent works as an auxiliary body to the government in responding to disasters and emergencies and is the secondary responder in times of emergencies working with government authorities. Due to climate change, the weather patterns have become more unpredictable in the Maldives. In addition, the storms and rain patterns have become more intense and the country faces more events of flooding in recent times. The aim of this initiative is to bring about practical solution to address the persistent flooding issues. In addition to supply of pumps, technological tools and equipment are supplied to the two islands to help get prepared as well as to mitigate against the destructive impacts of flooding that could destroy the livelihood of the communities. Project islands were selected based on National Disaster Management Centre's (NDMC) list of flood prone islands that needs immediate intervention that has existing MRC units at the community level.

A pump station was constructed on in the island of Hdh. Nolvivaram. Hdh. Kulhudhuffushi Council Office provided space to keep the pump, equipment and tools in their warehouse. MRC has National Response Teams in 5 atolls. Through this project Emergency Response Teams in Hdh. Nolvivaram and Kulhudhuffushi aims to respond to a flooding emergency in 30 minutes.

MRC through support of NDMC and Maldives National Defence Force (MNDF) will provide additional training to ERTs to operate and maintain the flood mitigation equipment once all the equipment has been delivered.

Objectives

- Assist the “scaling up of National Capacity for Disaster Risk Reduction and Management in Maldives” run by the National Disaster Management Centre (NDMC) to strengthen the capacity of islands in responding to disasters such as providing them with the flood mitigation pumps and pump station.
- Ensure the best use of the flood mitigation pumps by providing equipment such as canvas discharge hose, suction hose, mechanical seal, air filter and toolbox, that are need in order to use the pumps in a good condition and for its sustainability.
- Strengthening capacity of local council and ERT to respond to disaster, with ready equipment at hand.

Outcome

- Construction work of the pump station commenced on 25th July 2017 and was completed on 22nd August 2017
- One pump and all the equipment and tools except one pump were handed over to MRC during August 2017.
- Placed order for the other pump during September 2017 that has to be procured from abroad which was expected to reach Male' by beginning of 2018.

The flood mitigation equipment and the pump house designs are based on NDMC's national standard on establishing flood mitigation capacities.

Monitoring and evaluation

Monitoring and evaluation was basically done over phone. MRC submitted progress reports on the construction of the pump station.

Sustainability

MRC worked with both Hdh, Nolvivaram and Hdh, Kulhudufushi council offices to establish a Memorandum of Understanding to manage and operate the flood mitigation equipment at community level. The MoU will promote community ownership and leadership to carry forward the project beyond the closure of the project. MoU with Hdh. Nolvivaram was signed during November 2017 and MRC expects to sign the MoU with Hdh. Kulhuduffushi by first quarter of 2018. Training on operation and maintenance of the equipment in partnership with the Maldives National Defence Force is also planned to be conducted during this period.

Expenditure summary

The total grant awarded to MRC for the project is USD 14,046.59. During the reporting year AFTF spent a total amount of USD 13,931.77 on one pump and equipment and tools for two pumps. The remaining payment to be incurred during 2018 will be for the balance payment for the second pump that was ordered during September 2017. The advance payment for this pump was made during the reporting year.

UNITED WORLD COLLEGE (UWC) SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

AFTF have been supporting as the only donor of this program to date since its inception, providing UWC Scholarship from 2001. Every year average of 2 students are supported under the program. UWC has 17 schools and colleges educating students aged 2 and 19. UWC schools, colleges and programs deliver a challenging and transformational educational experience to a diverse cross section of students, inspiring them to create a more peaceful and sustainable future. While each UWC school, college and program have their own distinct features, they all share the same commitment to UWC's mission and values. All UWC schools and colleges are co-educational, residential educational facilities and follow the same curriculum, leading up to the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma.

UWC Maldives is the National Committee of the Maldives and the selection process are conducted by the UWC Maldives by the alumni. The selection process involves a three-tiered process; the application, the camp and the final interviews.

Scholarships

In 2017, students to were selected to attend UWCs: Mariyam Azka Hassan, Mohamed Laish Suzair and Ahmed Bassam to UWC colleges, Mahindra UWC in India, Red Cross Nordic UWC in the Norway and Waterford Kamhlaba UWC in Swaziland, respectively. The first two students were selected for the academic year 2017 - 2019 and started school in September 2017, while Ahmed Bassam began the academic year 2018-2020 in January 2018.

The placement offer received from UWC International Organization covered 100% of the tuition fee for Red Cross Nordic UWC in the Norway, 50% of the tuition fee for Mahindra UWC in India and 25% of the tuition fee for Waterford Kamhlaba UWC in Swaziland. Thus, AFTF's funds were utilized to cover tuition for Mahindra UWC and Waterford Kamhlaba UWC, and to cover airfare and pocket money for all students.

Additionally, AFT continued it's funding in 2017 for the scholarships offered during the year 2016; one student in UWC Maastricht in the Netherlands (academic year: 2016 - 2018), and one student in UWC Costa Rica in Costa Rica (academic year: 2016 - 2018).

Publicity & Promotion

A successful publicity campaign was conducted during and after the application period, spanning the last few months of 2016 to first few months of January 2017, with the primary aim of diversifying applicant pool and increasing applicants from outer island by 60 percent. In this regard, the following activities were undertaken during the application period for the 2017 selections:

- 1. Radio interview:** Our alumna was given the chance to give an interview about the scholarship opportunity on Raajje Radio. This 15-minute-long interview touched on the UWC Mission, selection criteria, and the UWC schools and alumni from all over the world. We were also given the opportunity to share some of our experiences and challenges that we have faced during our time in UWC's and how they differ from country to country and year group to year group.
- 2. Online Newspaper ads:** Mihaaru Online is the most well-read and popular newspaper in the country. Mihaaru Online was also the media partner for UWC Maldives this year and gave a good discount. An article was written about the UWC Maldives scholarship opportunity.
- 3. Social Media:** Penetration rate of ads on Facebook in the Maldives is extremely high due to its high usage. Paid post reach was 38,316. 2737 users actively engaged on the post. (839 clicks, 490 new likes for the page and 1361 likes for the post, during the application period) Twitter engagement also increased during this time period as our announcements were also published on twitter.
- 4. Information sessions:** Two information sessions on UWC applications for 2018 were organized which were held at Champa Central Hotel. The events were advertised on social media and media advisories were sent prior to the events. The turnout for both events exceeded 50 people, which made them successful events.
- 5. Student and Alumni Profiles on social media:** In the latter half of 2016, UWC Maldives initiated a social media campaign profiling UWC alumni and current students. This helped us increase our engagement with the social media community.
- 6. Promotional grant:** In 2016, UWC Maldives utilized a promotional grant of USD 300 from the UWC International Organization for promotions to increase the diversity of our application pool. The grant was utilized to produce a video that can be used for publicity for UWC Maldives as an organization and its selection process.

Selections & Nominations

The application period for the UWC scholarship 2017 was from 18th October 2016 to 26th January 2017. A total of 48 students: 27 females and 21 males applied for the scholarship, an increase of 35% compared to 2016. Out of the 48 applicants, 30 were from the capital city and 18 were from the outer atolls.

Compared to the previous year, this year saw a more flexible marking criterion and scoring system in the shortlisting of applications as well as the selection camp. Shortlisted applicants were invited to attend the two-day selection camp held on in Male'.

At the camp, 25 applicants took part in a number of individual and group exercises and was assessed on personal attributes, creativity and leadership and initiatives.

Applicants that participated in the camp were shortlisted and invited to a final interview. In addition to UWC alumni, two external members sat on the interview panel as 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 asked of all applicants, 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 Mohamed Laish Suzair, Mariyam Azka Hassan and Ahmed Bassam were selected for the scholarship opportunity in 2017 and nominated to attend Red Cross Nordic UWC, Mahindra UWC and Waterford Kamhlaba, respectively.

Best practice

After the selection of students for the academic year 2017 (and Ahmed Bassam for 2018), UWC Maldives did more work on selection for the upcoming year. The Executive Committee made some decisions to revise the applications process for 2018. One of the decisions made was to allow applicants to send their applications over email. As a primary goal, effort was put to increase the number of applicants for 2018 by 70 percent.

The new application window for 2018 was opened on 26th October 2017. This window runs up to 29th January 2018.

Organizational Growth & Overall Coordination

In 2017, UWC Maldives celebrated the first-year anniversary of UWC Maldives being registered as an official NGO at the Ministry of Home Affairs. Following registration, all alumni and students were invited to become official members of the organization by completing the membership form. Additionally, in 2017, UWC Maldives elected its second Executive Committee for the year 2017-2018.

1. Annual General Meeting

The first Annual General Meeting of the 2017 was held on 14th June 2017. At the time of AGM, the organization had a total of 17 members. 14 out of these 17 members participated in the AGM, fulfilling the 60% quorum as required by the organization's Charter. During this AGM members discussed at length the direction for the new organization and elected its first Executive Committee as follows:

- Hulwa Khaleel as the Chair of the Executive Committee
- Nabeeh Asim as the Selections Coordinator
- Azyan Hameed as the Publicity and Outreach Coordinator
- Fathimath Ushama as the Finance and Resource Mobilization Coordinator
- Naufal Amjad as the Current Student Affairs and Alumni Relations Coordinator

The new Executive Committee held around five meetings in 2017 to discuss on going work. First two meetings focused on work plans and budgets. The later meetings were held to discuss plans for publicity, alumni engagement and selections for year 2018.

2. Formal Orientation

In 2017, it was decided to hold orientation programs for the new students. As such Executive Committee established important things to go over during orientation and it was shared with general members for additional input. The themes identified include: how to prepare the new students best for living in a boarding school, dealing with an alien culture, as well as how to handle the rigors of the academics of the IB.

As UWC colleges are spread across the globe, it was decided to focus on two aspects of the orientation. The first being that of general information on what to expect at a UWC. We covered topics ranging from culture shock, sexual education, and drugs and alcohol awareness. The second aspect of the orientation was to give specific information about the UWC's that the new students are enrolled in. This was done through bringing in alumni who went to those same UWC's.

Orientations were well received and some very positive feedback came from the new students themselves who were happy to and excited to hear about where their adventures would take place. One lesson learned was to prepare a handout for the orientation as so much information ends up being covered through the workshop style sharing we conducted the orientation in. Another was to suspend the assumption that some topics like sexual health needed to be brief because they would know the basics. What we learned was that even though the students might have heard and learnt about sexual health, some aspects were not clear and were happy to get clarifications.

Purpose of covering the above-mentioned topics was to bridge the gap between our new students and their peers coming in from other countries. Executive Committee decided that this should be a compulsory activity to hold after every selection process.

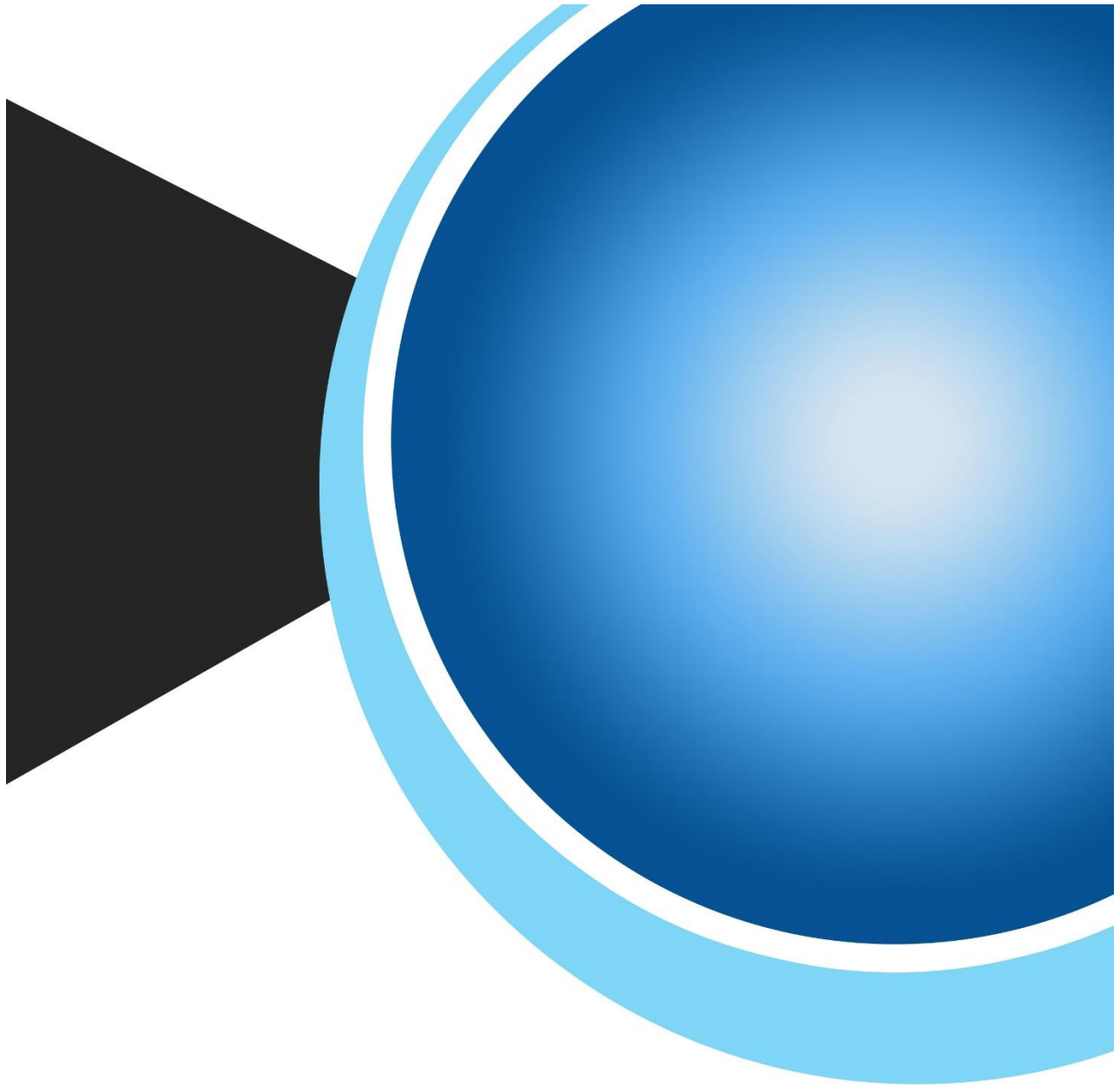
Expenditure Summary

In 2017, the Ali Fulhu Thuthu Foundation approved a budget of \$ 101,692 (one hundred and one thousand, six hundred and ninety dollars) towards funding of scholarships, coordination of publicity and selection process, student relations and alumni affairs, finance and organizational growth. The total expenditure for the year 2017 was USD 80,421.61

DETAILS ON ALL THE EXPENSES INCURRED DURING THE YEAR 2017

At the beginning of the year AFTF had an opening balance of USD 106,945.48. The table below details the total amount of funds granted to all the projects implemented during the year 2017, including amount spent on staff and administration. The amount tabulated for construction of Rahvehige in Ha. Hoarafushi is the amount for paying the retention. This project was completed in 2016.

Expenses incurred during the year 2017	Amount in USD
Construction of mosque in Ha. Thakandhoo	334,880.80
Construction of mosque in L. Maamendhoo	88,794.87
Construction of mosque in M. Mulah	192,467.48
Construction of mosque in R. Hulhudhuffaaruu	169,184.47
Construction of mosque in Sh. Kanditheemu	187,428.86
Construction of mosque in Sh. Narudhoo	330,359.42
Construction of mosque in Hdh. Hanimaadhoo	441,708.53
Integrated Water and Sewerage System in K. Dhiffushi	2,000,000.00
Construction of Rahvehige in Ha. Hoarafushi (payment for retention)	18,393.89
Contribution to Journey	45,395.60
Contribution the Cancer Society of Maldives (CSM)	19,229.57
Contribution to Maldives Autism Association (MAA)	12,970.16
Contribution to Society for Health Education (SHE)	3,242.54
Contribution to Maldivian Red Crescent (MRC)	13,931.77
Contribution to Care Society (CS) including monthly donation of MVR 2000.00 as a corporate donor	21,389.08
United World College Scholarship Program	80,421.61
Total grant for charity	3,959,798.65
Staff	37,570.38
Administration	4,688.71
Total expenses during the year	4,002,057.74



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