

Right Sharing OF WORLD RESOURCES

“Let us then see what love can do”

William Penn, 17th Century Quaker

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God calls us to the right sharing of world resources, from the burdens of materialism and poverty into the abundance of God's love, to work for equity through partnership with our sisters and brothers throughout the world.

A Letter from the Clerk

Dear Friends,

After some forty years of involvement with Right Sharing of World Resources, I began serving as the Presiding Clerk of RSWR's Board of Trustees in the spring of 2016. All of this experience has helped me to see firsthand how the lives of thousands of women have been changed by RSWR micro-financing. Now RSWR is beginning to implement thoughtful changes in our micro-enterprise program that should enable us to improve our services significantly. I want to highlight two of these changes in this letter to you.

INCREASED TRAINING AND SUPPORT:

For years, RSWR has provided some basic training in marketing and financial management as women prepare to start very small businesses of their own. This initial training, along with some follow-up advice and support, is sufficient for many women. However, we expect that other women would benefit from a more extended program of training and support, perhaps lasting for a few years. Such extended support would also provide opportunities to help some women prepare for leadership roles in their communities.

EXPANDED ASSESSMENTS AND REPORTING:

We currently receive six-monthly and one-year reports from Non-Governmental Organization or Self-Help Group, plus updates from our Field Representatives as they visit projects. However, we believe we could strengthen our programs if we had better data on the outcomes of each micro-enterprise project. We have begun working with community leaders to adapt simple assessment tools that will help us better understand how to improve our program design and strengthen our services. This should result in more women being able to transform the lives of their families and the communities in which they live.

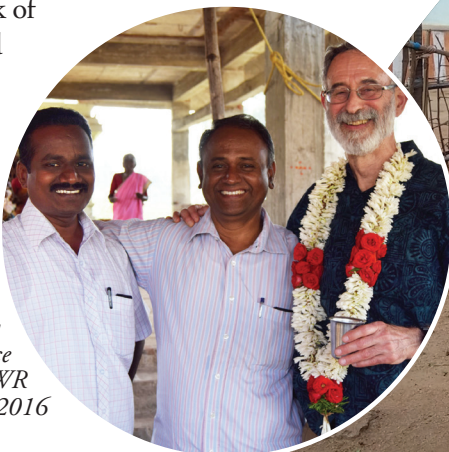
It is a real privilege for me to serve as Presiding Clerk of this wonderful Quaker organization. Working with General Secretary Jackie Stillwell and with very active Board members, and meeting project beneficiaries whose lives have truly been transformed, are among the great joys of my life.

Blessings,

Bruce Birchard

Presiding Clerk of
RSWR's Board
of Trustees

*Bruce with RSWR
Field Rep. Dr. R
Kannan (center)
and his helper
Purusbotham (right)
in India in February
2016 (inset); Bruce
visiting with RSWR
project member, 2016*



Financial Summary | 2017

FINANCIAL
SUMMARY
for fiscal year
7.1.2016 through
6.30.2017



Top left: A project member of the Vakhavilitsi Women Group in Kenya; Bottom left: A project member of Boiboyet Friends Women Group in Kenya; Circle: Lakshmi Singaram, member of a self-help group supported by Rural Health Development Center in India weaving thatch



Revenue	
Contributions	\$ 452,652
Restricted Contributions*	\$ 175,203
In-Kind Donations	\$ 14,534
Investment Earnings	\$ 58,576
Total Revenue	\$ 700,965
Expenses	
Program Services	\$ 446,698
Administrative and General	\$ 22,469
Development and Outreach	\$ 83,846
Total Expenses	\$ 553,013

Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 514,042
Investments	\$ 1,371,620
Accounts Receivable	\$ 92,710
Prepaid Expenses	\$ 846
Fixed and Current Assets	\$ 29,219
Total Assets	\$ 2,008,437

Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 16,528
Grants Payable	\$ 39,425
Notes Payable	\$ 217,472
Total Liabilities	\$ 273,425

Net Assets	
Endowment Fund	\$ 1,546,449
Unrestricted – Other	\$ 31,206
Fund Revenue	\$ 157,357
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,735,012

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSET \$ 2,008,437

* includes \$170,000 special funds for use in 2018-2020

Profiles from Right Sharing

BOARD MEMBER

Doug Smith started as a RSWR Board member in Spring 2016. Doug is a member of Reno Friends Meeting, an unprogrammed meeting of Pacific Yearly Meeting. He lives with his wife Cheri in Carson City, Nevada, and recently retired from a career in Risk Management. He found out about the work of RSWR from a friend who recommended he get involved. He finds his service on the Board interesting and rewarding, and is planning a trip to India to visit projects in January 2018.



PROJECT MEMBER

Anitha Karuppan is a member of Rural Health Development Center (RHDC) in Tamil Nadu, India. She previously worked with her husband as a farm laborer, however due to poor rainfall and failing crops they couldn't make a consistent income. Through her women's group she received a loan from RHDC and began a vegetable vending business. RHDC's 6-month report in March 2017 reported that she was making a consistent income and was able to send her two sons to school.



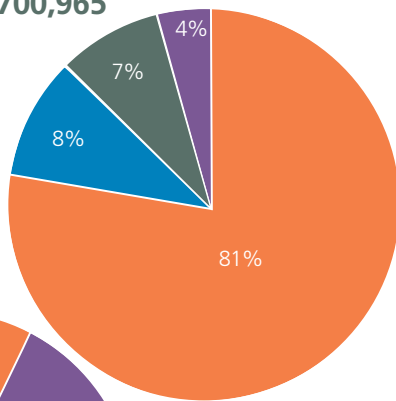
Highlights from Fiscal Year 2017

- 1 Right Sharing celebrated 50 years in 2017!** In 1967, Right Sharing was founded as the One Percent Fund, a project of Friends World Committee for Consultation.
- 2 The Board approved 55 new projects:** 23 in India, and 11 each in Sierra Leone and Kenya.
- 3 In January 2017, General Secretary Jackie Stillwell traveled to Sierra Leone** for 3 weeks. She visited projects with Field Representative Sallian Sankoh.
- 4 Friends joined RSWR staff and Board members for three 50th Anniversary celebrations:** in Indianapolis in April, the FGC Gathering in July, and at Kendal at Longwood in October.

- 5 Right Sharing was at many 2017 Annual Sessions!** Jackie or Board members attended NYYM, BYM, PYM, LEYM, WYM, NEYM, SEYM, IYM (C), New Assoc. of Friends, and Pacific Yearly Meeting. **Jackie led workshops at the FUM Triennial and the FGC Gathering.**
- 6 In 2017, Right Sharing grants changed the lives of 1,290 women: 616 in India, 227 in Kenya, and 397 in Sierra Leone.** However, the **actual number is much larger** because the project will continue to revolve the funds. Furthermore, a loan from an RSWR grant transforms the life not only of the woman who receives it, but her family and community as well.

2017 FISCAL YEAR Total Revenue = \$700,965

- Individuals \$565,058
- Bequests \$53,313
- Other \$58,779
- Monthly & Yearly Meetings \$23,815



2017 FISCAL YEAR Total Expenditures = \$553,013

- Program Services 81%
- Administration & General 4%
- Development Outreach 15%



DONOR

Arlene Kelly has been a faithful donor to Right Sharing for many years. A native Philadelphian, she lives with her partner in Germantown and is a member of Central Philadelphia Monthly Meeting. She is a retired social worker and counselor, and is an active volunteer in many groups and organizations. Arlene supports Right Sharing due to the unique role it has among other Quaker organizations of empowerment through microeconomic programs.

Top: Members of a self-help group supported by Rural Women Development Trust to learn how to make cotton hand gloves to sell for use in local factories; Circle: A project member of Vakhaviliti Women Group in Kenya selling dried fish

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