Cayman Islands Red Cross

Annual Report

25

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Overview

Cayman Islands Red Cross

The Year at a Glance

49 volunteers provided essential First Aid coverage at over 73 community events.

70+ First Aid training sessions conducted.

1,700 persons trained from diverse sectors including the public, private businesses, and educational institutions.

54 new volunteers trained in First Aid/CPR/AED in preparation for the hurricane season.

60+ volunteers stepped forward to serve their community as shelter managers, fully prepared for deployment across the **19** designated shelters in Grand Cayman and the Sister Islands.

92 volunteers provided invaluable support, completing 802 trips to assist seniors with medical appointments, grocery shopping and recreational activities.

700 pupils in 9 schools across the islands, and 102 business personnel from 5 companies received Disaster Preparedness and Response education from CIRC and HMCI.

102 persons took part in Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training (**81** in Grand Cayman, **21** in Cayman Brac).

22 pick-up services were conducted in 4 districts.

155 families were assisted with essential goods such as household items, clothing and furniture, all free of charge.

85 persons attended the Emotional Abuse Awareness programme.

1,635 training sessions for the Stewards of Children programme (online and in-person).

599 teens and **97** CIRC volunteers received HIV/AIDS Education and Awareness training.

121 new volunteers welcomed through the Ideals in Action (IIA) Induction Courses.

From Our Patron



As Governor and Patron of the Cayman Islands Red Cross, I am delighted to express my sincere appreciation to the people of the Cayman Islands for the generosity, compassion, and commitment you continue to show in service to our community.

The Red Cross, with its distinguished heritage and global reach, remains a powerful symbol of humanity and care. Guided by the fundamental principles of impartiality, neutrality, and independence, it provides vital relief and reassurance to those most in need. Throughout 2025, these principles have once again been brought to life, as the Red Cross responded to the impacts of natural disasters and human conflict across the world.

Here in the Cayman Islands, the contribution of the Red Cross is deeply valued. The dedication of your volunteers, staff, and supporters reflects a strong and enduring commitment to the wellbeing of our Islands. Through these efforts, our community is better prepared to face present challenges and future uncertainties and your service—often carried out in demanding circumstances—exemplifies the very best of humanitarian and public service.

I would also like to recognise the breadth and impact of your work, particularly in the areas of disaster preparedness, poverty reduction, child protection, and community outreach. These programmes continue to make a tangible difference in many lives and demonstrate a clear and lasting commitment to strengthening our society.

As we look ahead to 2026, I warmly encourage continued support for the Cayman Islands Red Cross. In doing so, we honour a proud tradition of service and help ensure that this essential work continues to flourish for the benefit of both current and future generations.

Her Excellency,

Jane Owen

Governor Jane Owen

From the Director



As we reflect on the past year, I am proud to share the meaningful impact the Cayman Islands Red Cross has achieved with the support of our valued community partners.

Our work—spanning disaster management, child protection, first aid training, and community outreach—has positively impacted many lives. We are proud to have expanded our reach in 2025, particularly through our Support Our Seniors (SOS) programme, which has been instrumental in assisting the elderly to live safely and with dignity in their communities.

We are also proud to have launched our own Tiffany Circle, one of only a few chapters around the world. Its purpose is to unite women leaders in the Cayman Islands through philanthropy, service, and storytelling with a primary focus on funding and expanding the SOS programme. The Cayman Islands chapter will be the first in the Caribbean and aims to transform senior care through community-driven giving and women-led leadership.

These achievements would not have been possible without the generosity and commitment of our corporate partners. Your support has been fundamental to everything we have accomplished. This 2025 Annual Report highlights key achievements and demonstrates the real impact of our shared efforts.

Director, Cayman Islands Red Cross

From the Chair



The Cayman Islands Red Cross (CIRC) operates within a governance framework that promotes accountability, ethical leadership, and responsible decision-making. As a branch of the British Red Cross and part of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, it follows internationally recognized humanitarian principles and governance standards that guide leadership and programme delivery.

For 65 years, the CIRC has supported communities before, during, and after emergencies, earning a reputation for stability, reliability, and principled service. Our Board of Governors provides strategic oversight, setting policies and ensuring accountability in both our operations and long-term goals. Our governance and risk management framework supports transparency and resilience. This includes policies addressing conflicts of interest, compliance with nonprofit and safeguarding standards, robust data protection measures, and a commitment to ethical conduct. We regularly evaluate our programmes to enhance their impact and drive continuous improvement.

Under the Cayman Islands Red Cross Act (2018), CIRC plays a formal role in the nation's disaster, preparedness, and response system. We collaborate closely with national authorities and maintain a team of trained volunteers, ready to respond when emergencies arise.These structures inspire confidence among our donors and sponsors, assuring them that their support strengthens an organization grounded in strong governance, international standards, and a long-standing commitment to the community.

I am pleased to present the 2025 Annual Report. As we celebrate our achievements, we also prepare for the challenges and opportunities ahead. Thank you for your continued support and dedication to the Cayman Islands Red Cross.

Douglas Moffatt

Chair – Board of Governors, Cayman Islands Red Cross

Vision and Mission

The Cayman Islands Red Cross is a humanitarian organisation dedicated to serving the people of the Cayman Islands. With a mission to alleviate human suffering, promote health and safety, and support the community, the Cayman Islands Red Cross offers several vital programmes:

- Thrift Shop Community Outreach
- Child Protection & Sexuality Education
- First Aid, Aquatics Training & Coverage Programme
- Disaster Management
- Support Our Seniors



These programmes reflect the Cayman Islands Red Cross' commitment to providing support, education, and resources to ensure the safety, health, and resilience of the local community.

Our Vision

To uphold the principle of humanity - to protect life and health and ensure respect for the human being.

Our Mission

The Cayman Islands Red Cross aims to protect human dignity by helping vulnerable people in crisis.



Impact

Cayman Islands Red Cross

First Aid, Aquatics Training & Coverage Programme

The Cayman Islands Red Cross (CIRC) ensures that the community has sufficient skills to help themselves and others. A comprehensive First Aid/CPR/AED training course is offered weekly, to anyone interested.

In 2025, the programme mobilized over 49 volunteers who provided essential first aid coverage at more than 73 community events. From cultural celebrations to large public gatherings, these trained volunteers were a reassuring presence, offering immediate support when emergencies arose. Their contribution has reinforced a sense of security and readiness, ensuring that community members feel supported during critical moments.

The First Aid Programme also demonstrated its commitment to education and capacity-building by conducting 70+ training sessions throughout the year. These sessions equipped 1,700 individuals from diverse sectors, including the public, private businesses, and educational institutions, with invaluable life-saving skills such as First Aid/CPR and water safety techniques.



Donations from our generous sponsors help us to provide vital training and services to our community ensuring the community members are prepared and ready to handle emergencies.

Disaster Management

The Cayman Islands Red Cross is dedicated to safeguarding our community from the unpredictable forces of nature and unforeseen disasters. The programme is a lifeline for our Islands when a crisis strikes.

Although the 2025 Atlantic Hurricane season was relatively uneventful for the Cayman Islands, our staff and volunteers were well-equipped and ready to mobilize at a moment's notice.



The Disaster Management programme is made up of two essential parts:

- Disaster Preparedness
- Disaster Response

Disaster Preparedness

This crucial aspect of the programme focuses on raising awareness by educating the community about the various hazards that may occur while living in the Cayman Islands. From hurricanes and flooding to the rare tremors of earthquakes and the ferocity of fires, the Red Cross aims for the community to be well-prepared.

Our dedicated staff and volunteers are the key players in disseminating this vital information. They assist in creating family disaster plans, conduct community sessions, and make radio and television appearances, ensuring that knowledge and preparedness become second nature for all residents.





Disaster Response

When disaster strikes, the Disaster Response programme is a beacon of hope for many. Whether it's helping a family affected by a localised house fire or a nation reeling from a hurricane, the elements of the programme - shelter, transportation and relief supplies - are there to ensure that adequate help is available for the most vulnerable in the community.

Volunteers for this programme are trained in CPR, First Aid and AED, as well as skills in preparing pre and post-disaster assessments, logistics, communications, shelter management, and psychological support. Each year, these volunteers are on standby to be deployed to government shelters, including the Red Cross shelter which is the first to open in any emergency.

The programme also plays a pivotal role in creating and training Community Emergency Response Teams (CERTs) throughout the Cayman Islands, leading to a significant increase in community involvement. These community teams play an essential role in identifying vulnerable people and situations and have developed their own community emergency response plans to maximise resources and minimise loss of life and property.

Another integral part of our Disaster Management programme is the Container Project. Strategically placed throughout Grand Cayman and the Sister Islands, the Red Cross has eleven 40-foot containers stocked with essential equipment, such as cleaning kits and tarpaulins, ready to assist each community in the event of a national or localised disaster.



Hurricane Melissa Preparedness and Response



In preparation for Hurricane Melissa, 19 volunteers from the Cayman Islands Red Cross (CIRC), along with CERT teams and the Cayman Islands Regiment, came together to support vulnerable communities. The teams filled 10,000 sandbags, which were distributed to residents in flood-prone areas to help reduce the risk of damage and improve household preparedness ahead of the storm.

Unsolicited Goods - The Second Disaster

In the aftermath of Hurricane Melissa, the directors of the CIRC and Hazard Management Cayman Islands, Jondo Obi and Danielle Colemen, respectively, appeared in multiple radio and television interviews to update the public on the situation and outline how the Cayman community could best help. The main message shared was the importance of not sending unsolicited physical donations, and focusing on a monetary response.

The Appeal

The CIRC launched an international monetary appeal in response to Hurricane Melissa, and $370,000 was raised to help with response and recovery. Melissa is the most powerful hurricane on record to hit Jamaica, causing approximately $6 billion in damages, killing at least 45 people, and displacing 30,000 households.

Training Community Emergency Response Team

In 2025, the Cayman Islands Red Cross (CIRC), in collaboration with Hazard Management Cayman Islands (HMCI), continued to strengthen community resilience through its Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) programme. This year 81 persons took part in the CERT training programme in Grand Cayman and 21 in Cayman Brac, furthering the programme mission to empower local communities with the skills and resources needed to respond to emergencies effectively.

CERT members play a critical role within their communities, particularly during times of crisis. They serve as the main point of contact between their neighborhoods and emergency services, assist with vulnerability and risk assessments, and provide vital support to vulnerable individuals in their areas. This year's training included practical sessions on disaster response, first aid, fire suppression, and search and rescue, equipping team members with the tools they need to address real-world challenges.

The "Support Our Seniors" programme exemplifies the Red Cross's commitment to addressing the unique challenges faced by the elderly in our community, ensuring they feel valued, cared for, and supported.



Thrift Shop Community Outreach

The Thrift Shop is not just a place to find new and gently used items like clothing, shoes, furniture, appliances, and household goods; it's a symbol of generosity and community support. These items are donated by fellow community members, and like all Red Cross programmes, the Thrift Shop is open to everyone.

What sets the Red Cross Thrift Shop apart is its commitment to helping the most vulnerable within the community. The shop works closely with various government and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) who regularly refer their clients and beneficiaries.

Agencies such as the Department of Children and Family Services, Department of Rehabilitation, H.M. Prison Services, Cayman Islands Crisis Centre, and the Department of Immigration, among others, trust the Red Cross to provide assistance to those in need.

In 2025, these agencies made 190 referrals through our Community Referral Center. Referred individuals have access to any of the shop's goods free of cost, ensuring they can access essentials with dignity and respect.

Beneficiary referrals are a fundamental part of the Thrift Shop Community Outreach programme. Those in need can seek help in two ways: through referrals from partner agencies who assess and determine the need, or through self-referral, where individuals come in to request assistance. In the latter case, the Red Cross conducts assessments to determine the individual's needs and offers access to items from our shop or referrals to more suitable agencies if necessary.

The CIRC has a unique outreach programme called "Deals on Wheels," a mobile thrift shop in the form of a trailer. Loaded with items from the shop, this trailer travels to key locations in each district once a month, allowing residents to access affordable, quality items within their own communities. This not only saves individuals time and effort but also reduces the need for unnecessary travel, saving precious resources.

Thrift Shop Community Outreach (Continued)

By donating to our Thrift Shop Community Outreach programme, members of the public are not only helping those in need to have access to essential items with dignity but also contributing to the sense of community and support that defines the Cayman Islands Red Cross.

In 2025 we continued our collaboration with The Ritz-Carlton, whose 34 staff members volunteered over 250 hours at the Thrift Shop every Wednesday and Friday. Their contributions have enhanced the Shop's operations and strengthened the bond between the corporate and nonprofit sectors in addressing community needs.

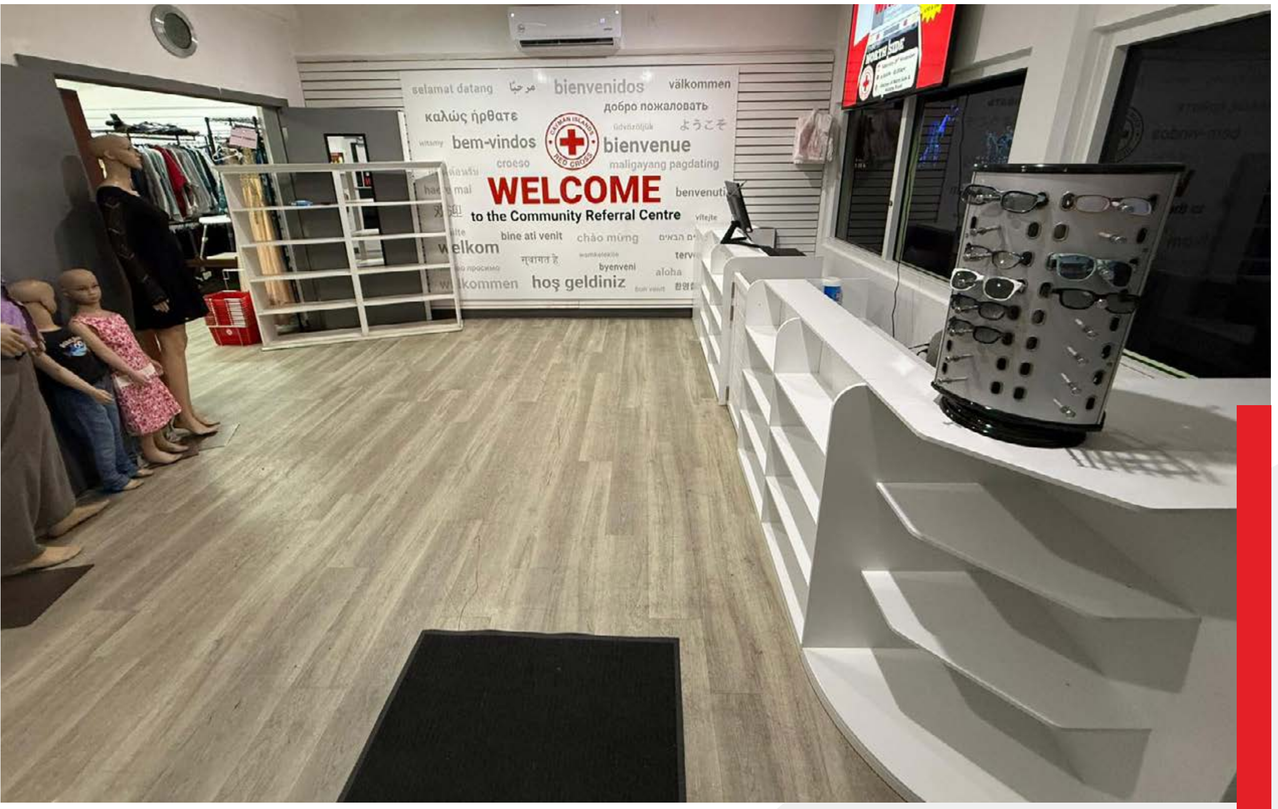
Our Donate with Dignity (DWD) initiative raises awareness about preserving dignity for recipients and helps us maintain clear guidelines for sorting, selling, and distributing donations. By building partnerships with local companies, we coordinate the donation collection process making it easier for workplace staff to contribute items that genuinely benefit those in need and ensuring every item donated represents care, respect and dignity.





Thrift Shop Community Outreach (Continued)

In 2025



155

Families were assisted with essential goods such as household items, clothing and furniture, all free of charge



22

Pick-up services were conducted in 4 districts

11

Visits were made by the mobile trailer across the Cayman Islands, prioritising accessibility for vulnerable members of the community in addition to those with transportation challenges

Child Protection and Sexuality Education



The Cayman Islands Red Cross prioritises the protection of the most vulnerable members of our community through its Child Protection and Sexuality Education programme. This essential initiative aims to safeguard children and educate the community on child sexual abuse and protection.

Training by Darkness to Light

The Stewards of Children programme, a cornerstone of our child protection efforts, saw remarkable participation in 2025.

- **In-Person Training:** A total of 448 individuals were trained by authorized facilitators from key partner organisations, including HSA, Alex Panton Foundation, Family Resource Centre (FRC), Ministry of Health and Wellness, and others.
- **Virtual Training Registrations:** 1187 individuals registered for online Stewards of Children training sessions.
- **Recognising and Reporting Training:** This critical training received 242 virtual registrations, equipping participants to recognise and report child abuse.

Emotional Abuse Awareness Programme

As reports of emotional abuse rise, the Cayman Islands Red Cross launched specialised awareness sessions to educate the community. In 2025, 61 individuals attended these sessions, which addressed the signs, symptoms, and handling of abuse disclosures.

HIV/AIDS and STI Awareness & Education

- **Community Outreach:** Awareness sessions reached 696 individuals, including youth from the Cayman Islands Crisis Centre, John Gray High School, UCCI, and Passport2Success programmes.
- **Testing Services:** In collaboration with the HSA, free monthly HIV and STI screenings were conducted at CIRC Headquarters. On average, 52 individuals were screened every month.

My Body Is My Own

This programme provided training to 37 leaders from Montessori West, Sister Janice's Early Learning Centre, First Baptist Church School, and SNAP Camp Counselors at DCS Family Resource Centre, empowering them to foster safe environments for children.

Support Our Seniors

The “Support Our Seniors” initiative continues to be a cornerstone of the Cayman Islands Red Cross’s mission to uplift and care for the elderly in our community. In 2025, the programme supported 34 seniors, ensuring they received the assistance, companionship, and resources needed to lead fulfilling lives.

This year, 79 dedicated volunteers provided invaluable support, completing an impressive 802 trips to assist seniors with medical appointments, grocery shopping, and recreational activities. These journeys not only met essential needs but also fostered meaningful connections that combat isolation and enhance overall well-being.

In October 2025, the programme received a significant boost through the generosity of Trac Automotive, which donated a second brand-new Changan SUV.

The Support our Seniors programme helps me stay active and connected. The Red Cross reminds me that I’m still part of the community. Having their support makes me feel valued and alive again.

- Ms. Dulsie McGowan, Prospect



Climb for Red

The Climb for Red campaign, led by long-time Cayman resident, philanthropist, and adventurer Martyn Bould, MBE, raised funds and awareness for the Cayman Islands Red Cross (CIRC) through his successful ascent of Mount Fuji in Japan. This marked Mr. Bould's third major fundraising climb for the Red Cross, following ascents of Argentina's Mount Aconcagua (2024) and Tanzania's Mount Kilimanjaro (2019). Mr. Bould described Mount Fuji as "much harder than either of the two other climbs," citing the demanding volcanic terrain and physical strain. His perseverance and determination at the age of 80 have inspired many within the Cayman community.

His 2025 climb continued his mission of combining adventure with humanitarian purpose, supporting CIRC's critical community programmes, including disaster relief, first aid training, child protection, support for seniors, and emergency shelter operations. We are eternally grateful to the Boulds' generosity and enthusiasm.



Martyn Bould at the summit of Mt. Fuji, 2025.



Martyn and Vivian Bould before his ascent of Mt. Fuji, 2025.

First Aid and Corporate Training



Purpose

To provide employees with the knowledge and skills necessary to prevent, recognise and respond to First Aid emergencies. Courses are delivered in the workplace (or in our dedicated CIRC Training Room) and can be tailored to the work environment.

Duration

6 hours, with a 45-minute lunch break.
Courses are typically delivered 9am to 3pm, Tuesday to Friday.

Courses include

- Before Giving Care
- Managing Responsive and Unresponsive Victims
- Breathing Emergencies
- Cardiac Care (CPR/AED)
- Sudden Illness
- Environmental Emergencies
- Injuries (Soft Tissue and Muscle, Bone and Joint)

Cost

CI$ 1,500 per course (for up to 10 persons).

Cost includes

- Cayman Islands Red Cross brochure and skill cards.
- On-site training (subject to inspection for suitability), or at the Red Cross Corporate Centre Training Room in George Town, Cayman.
- Free inspection of First Aid equipment (content and location), if required.
- Free audit of First Aid team in action (for on-site emergency exercises).

Empower your team.
Save lives.

Tiffany Circle

In December 2025, the Cayman Islands Red Cross joined this distinguished international network of women philanthropists, extending the reach and impact of the Tiffany Circle worldwide. The Tiffany Circle is a global network of influential women dedicated to empowering women through philanthropy.

Global Impact

Since its founding in 2006, the Tiffany Circle has raised over USD $300 million globally, driven by more than 1300 members across the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Australia, Germany, Switzerland, and West Africa.

The various Tiffany Circles support initiatives ranging from providing access to clean water in vulnerable communities to aiding survivors of human trafficking.



Tiffany Circle launched at HE the Governor's House, Dec, 2025



Donation Pledge

What does people helping people look like?

Take the pledge to donate **$5,000 (or more) for 2026**. Your generosity will ensure we can continue to provide both immediate and long-term support for our Cayman Islands community.

To organise your organisation's annual pledge, please email director@redcross.org.ky



Corporate Sponsorship Opportunities

First Aid Coverage for Community Events

- The Cayman Islands Red Cross offers vital first aid coverage at community events like walk-a-thons, marathons, swim meets, sports days, and parades.
- Our skilled volunteers provide immediate medical care until EMTs arrive, enhancing safety for participants and spectators alike.

First Aid Training for High Schoolers

- Help build a safer future by sponsoring first aid training for high school students in the Cayman Islands.
- Our goal is to certify 100–200 students over two years, empowering them with life-saving skills that benefit the entire community.

Disaster Preparedness Container Project

- This initiative strategically positions stocked containers across Grand Cayman and the Sister Islands, equipped with items like hygiene kits, flashlights, batteries, and plastic sheeting to aid communities in the event of a disaster
- Your support would enable us to better equip the containers, i.e. with mosquito nets

First Aid Training for Teachers

- Sponsor essential first aid training for 50 Cayman Islands teachers, equipping them with the skills to respond swiftly in classroom emergencies.
- With your support, we can create safer schools and offer parents peace of mind.

Corporate Sponsorship Opportunities (Continued)

Community Referral Programme

- The Cayman Islands Red Cross referral programme connects individuals and families with essential resources through both partner agency referrals and self-referral assessments.
- This programme helps people access items from our shop or links them to agencies for additional support.
- Your sponsorship will cover processing costs, ensuring more people can get the help they need quickly.

The Henris Volunteer Award Ceremony

- The Cayman Islands Red Cross (CIRC) invites you to sponsor “The Henris,” our annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony honouring the exceptional contributions of our volunteers, who form the backbone of our organisation.
- Established in 2005 after the heroic volunteer response to Hurricane Ivan, “The Henris” celebrates those who dedicate their time to disaster response, first aid, child protection, senior support, and more.

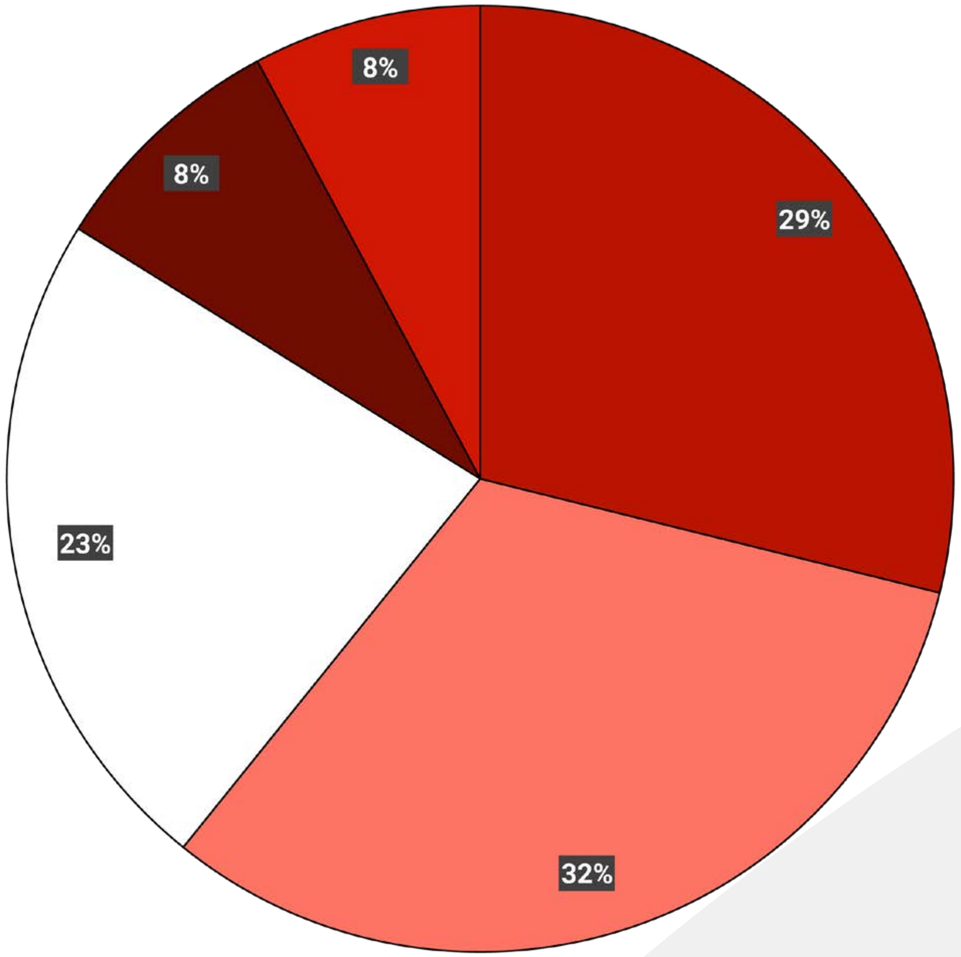
Corporate Partners

We are grateful for the support of our corporate partners whose donations sustain our vital work. These organisations provide resources that help amplify the social outcomes and impacts of our work. This year, these corporate partners provided significant support.

Financials

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2025 REVENUE

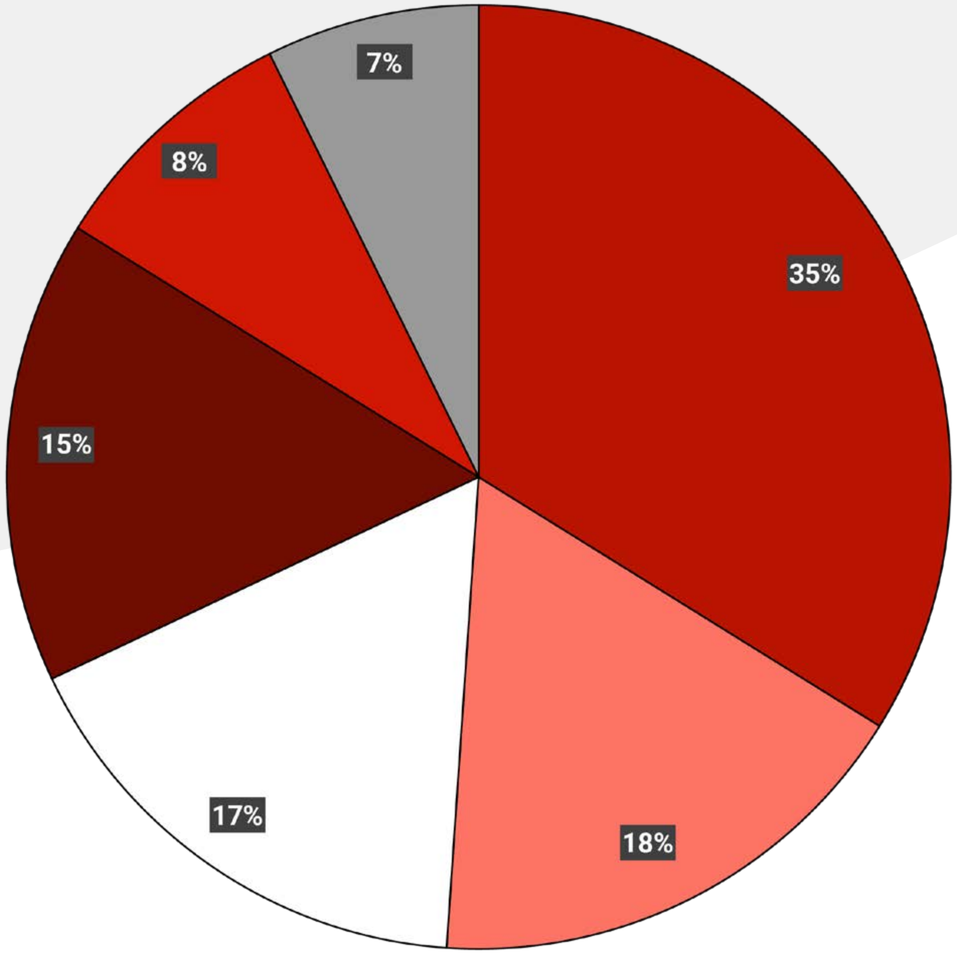


- General Income
- Community Engagement/Referral Centre
- First Aid & Aquatics Training
- Disaster Preparedness & Response Training
- Child Protection & Sexuality Education

$1,106,700

Total Income (KYD)

2025 OPERATING EXPENSES



- General Expenses
- Community Engagement/Referral Centre
- First Aid & Aquatics Training
- Disaster Preparedness & Response Training
- Child Protection & Sexuality Education
- Fundraising & Volunteer Costs

$1,077,632

Total Expense (KYD)